MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION 2002

By: Representatives Clarke, Thomas
To: Education

HOUSE BILL NO. 1422

AN ACT TO REQUIRE SEX EDUCATION TO BE TAUGHT, BEGINNING NO
LATER THAN IN THE THIRD GRADE, IN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND FOR
RELATED PURPOSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

SECTION 1. In addition to the curriculum otherwise required
by law or the State Board of Education, sex education must be
taught to all students in the public schools of this state. The
course of study in sex education must be developmentally age
appropriate and must be introduced and taught to students before
their completion of the third grade.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this act shall be codified as a
separate code section in Chapter 13, Title 37, Mississippi Code of
1972.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from
and after July 1, 2002.