

By: Senator(s) Dearing

To: Universities and
Colleges; Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2119

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-103-25, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ANY COMMUNITY/JUNIOR COLLEGE
3 DISTRICT TO WAIVE OUT-OF-STATE OR OUT-OF-DISTRICT TUITION FOR ANY
4 STUDENT LIVING WITHIN 50 MILES OF A CAMPUS OR BRANCH FACILITY OF
5 SUCH DISTRICT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 37-103-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 37-103-25. The Board of Trustees of State Institutions of
10 Higher Learning and the boards of trustees of the community/junior
11 colleges are hereby authorized to prescribe the amount of fees to
12 be paid by students attending the several state-supported
13 institutions of higher learning and community/junior colleges of
14 the State of Mississippi. In prescribing the rates to be paid by
15 residents of other states, the total fees shall not be less than
16 the average cost per student from appropriated funds.

17 Provided, however, that the board of trustees of any
18 community/junior college district is hereby authorized, in its
19 discretion, to waive out-of-state or out-of-district tuition for
20 any student living within fifty (50) miles of a campus or branch
21 facility of such district.

22 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
23 and after July 1, 2003.

