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To: Universities and
Colleges

HOUSE BILL NO. 1428

1 AN ACT TO CREATE THE MISSISSIPPI EDUCATION GRANT WRITING TEAM
2 FOR THE PURPOSES OF RESEARCHING AND WRITING FOR ANY EDUCATION
3 GRANTS THAT THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI QUALIFIES TO RECEIVE; AND FOR
4 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** (1) There is created the Mississippi Education
7 Grant Writing Team. The team shall research and apply for any
8 education grants, including those for elementary, secondary and
9 post-secondary education, that the State of Mississippi is
10 qualified to receive.

11 (2) The members of the Mississippi Education Grant Writing
12 Team shall consist of four (4) members, one (1) from each
13 congressional district, to be appointed by the Governor. The
14 members shall serve for a term of three (3) years and may be
15 reappointed by the Governor for additional terms. Initial
16 appointments shall be made within thirty (30) days after the
17 effective date of this act.

18 (3) The compensation of the members of the Mississippi
19 Education Grant Writing Team shall be a percentage of the grant
20 monies received by the State of Mississippi to be determined on a
21 case by case basis.

22 (4) The Mississippi Education Grant Writing Team shall be
23 assigned to the Governor's Office for administrative purposes
24 only, and the Governor's Office shall designate staff to assist
25 the team.

26 (5) All agencies, departments, offices and institutions of
27 the state, including the State Department of Education, the Board
28 of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning, public

29 schools, state universities and the community and junior colleges,
30 shall cooperate with the Mississippi Education Grant Writing Team
31 with such assistance as requested by the team.

32 (6) Before December 1, 2004, the task force shall make a
33 report of its work and recommendations for action, and it shall
34 submit a copy of the report to the Legislature and the Governor.

35 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
36 and after July 1, 2004.