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To: Education

HOUSE BILL NO. 1522

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO TEACH PHYSICAL  
2 EDUCATION DAILY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** In addition to the curriculum otherwise required  
5 by law or the State Board of Education to be taught in the public  
6 schools of this state, each student enrolled in the secondary  
7 public schools shall be required to participate in not less than  
8 three (3) class periods of physical education each week. However,  
9 if a student is excused by a medical doctor for reasons hazardous  
10 to the health of the student, then that student is exempt from the  
11 requirement of this section. Students participating in varsity  
12 athletics, marching band, cheerleading or any other physical  
13 activity as determined by the board of education are exempt from  
14 the requirement of this section.

15 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this act shall be codified as a  
16 separate code section in Chapter 13, Title 37, Mississippi Code of  
17 1972.

18 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
19 and after July 1, 2005.