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To: Education

HOUSE BILL NO. 1544

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL TO INCLUDE WITHIN THEIR
2 PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES NOT LESS THAN TWELVE WEEKS EACH SCHOOL
3 YEAR FOR HEALTH INSTRUCTION, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE INSTRUCTION ON
4 SIGNIFICANT ASPECTS OF BIOTERRORISM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** In addition to the curriculum otherwise required
7 by law or by the State Board of Education to be taught in the
8 public schools of this state, each public school shall include
9 within their physical education classes not less than twelve (12)
10 weeks each school year for health instruction, which shall include
11 instruction on significant aspects of bioterrorism.

12 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this act shall be codified as a
13 separate code section in Chapter 13, Title 37, Mississippi Code of
14 1972.

15 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
16 and after July 1, 2004.