

By: Senator(s) Chaney

To: Constitution

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 540

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO REPEAL SECTION 210,
2 MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION OF 1890, WHICH PROVIDES THAT NO PUBLIC
3 OFFICER OF THE STATE OR ANY DISTRICT, COUNTY, CITY OR TOWN
4 THEREOF, NOR ANY TEACHER OR TRUSTEE OF ANY PUBLIC SCHOOL, SHALL BE
5 INTERESTED IN THE SALE OR PROFIT OF ANY BOOKS, APPARATUS OR
6 FURNITURE TO BE USED IN ANY PUBLIC SCHOOL.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF
8 MISSISSIPPI, That the following amendment to the Mississippi
9 Constitution of 1890 is proposed to the qualified electors of the
10 state:

11 Repeal Section 210, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, which
12 reads as follows:

13 Section 210. No public officer of this state, or any
14 district, county, city or town thereof, nor any teacher or trustee
15 of any public school, shall be interested in the sale, proceeds or
16 profits of any books, apparatus or furniture to be used in any
17 public school in this state. Penalties shall be provided by law
18 for the violation of this section.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this amendment shall be
20 submitted to the qualified electors at an election to be held on
21 the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November 2004 as
22 provided by Section 273 of the Constitution and by law.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the explanation of the amendment
24 for the ballot shall read as follows: "This proposed
25 constitutional amendment repeals the provision which prohibits
26 teachers, school board members and other local officials from
27 having an interest in profits from the sale of textbooks,
28 apparatus or furniture to be used in any public school in this
29 state."