

By: Senator(s) Chaney

To: Constitution

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 540  
(As Adopted by the Senate)

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO AMEND SECTION 210,  
2 MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION OF 1890, TO REMOVE THE PROHIBITION THAT  
3 NO PUBLIC OFFICER OF THE STATE OR ANY DISTRICT, COUNTY, CITY OR  
4 TOWN THEREOF, NOR ANY TEACHER OR TRUSTEE OF ANY PUBLIC SCHOOL,  
5 SHALL BE INTERESTED IN THE SALE OR PROFIT OF ANY BOOKS TO BE USED  
6 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 Section 210, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, is amended to  
12 read 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 \* \* \* 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 removes the prohibition against teachers,  
26 school board members and other local officials from having an  
27 interest in profits from the sale of textbooks, to be used in any  
28 public school in this state."