

Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 1407

TO THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE SENATE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

6 **SECTION 1.** A committee is hereby established to make a
7 report to the Legislature on the establishment of a Clearinghouse
8 for People with Disabilities to promote and facilitate the full
9 participation of, and the creation and assurance of equal
10 opportunities for all people with disabilities. "People with
11 disabilities" means individuals who have physical, sensory,
12 cognitive or mental characteristics such as those listed under the
13 definition of "handicapped person" in Regulation 28CFR 4.31(b) for
14 the implementation of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of
15 1973, as amended (Public Law 93-112). The membership of the
16 committee shall be as follows: (a) the State Superintendent of
17 Education, or his designee; (b) the Executive Director of the
18 State Department of Health, or his designee; (c) the Executive
19 Director of the Mississippi Department of Human Services, or his
20 designee; (d) the Executive Director of the Division of Medicaid,
21 Office of Governor, or his designee; (e) the Executive Director of
22 the Mississippi Department of Mental Health, or his designee; (f)
23 the Executive Director of the State Department of Rehabilitation
24 Services, or his designee; (g) the Chairmen of the Appropriations
25 and Public Health and Welfare Committees of each house of the
26 Legislature, or their designees; (h) a representative of the
27 Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities appointed by the
28 Governor; (i) a representative of an advocacy group for the
29 disabled appointed by the Lieutenant Governor; and (j) a
30 representative of an advocacy group for the disabled appointed by
31 the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The committee shall

32 meet upon call of the Governor not later than August 1, 2004, and
33 shall select a chairman who shall organize the committee for
34 business. Staff and clerical support for the committee shall be
35 provided by the agencies represented on the committee. The
36 committee shall develop a request with specific recommendations
37 for legislation and shall make its report to the Chairmen of the
38 Committees of Public Health and Welfare of each house on or before
39 December 1, 2004.

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

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A COMMITTEE TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO
2 THE LEGISLATURE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MISSISSIPPI
3 CLEARINGHOUSE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES; AND FOR RELATED
4 PURPOSES.

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