

By: Representatives Robinson (84th), Horne

To: Education

HOUSE BILL NO. 488

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DUALY ENROLL
2 HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR RELATED
3 PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** (1) As used in this section, "home school
6 students" are those children taught by private teachers, parents,
7 guardians or custodians in a legitimate home instruction program
8 as defined in the Mississippi Compulsory School Attendance Law,
9 Section 37-13-91.

10 (2) If a parent, guardian or legal custodian of a home
11 school student submits a request, the local school board may also
12 register the student in a public school for dual enrollment
13 purposes, as provided under this section. If the home school
14 student is enrolled in a public school district for dual
15 enrollment purposes, the home school student may participate in
16 any academic activities in the district on a part-time basis, and
17 may participate on the same basis as public school students in any
18 extracurricular activities available to students in the home
19 school student's grade. A home school student applying for dual
20 enrollment must reside within the attendance boundaries of the
21 school in which the student is seeking enrollment. Request for
22 dual enrollment in the following school year must be submitted by
23 the parent, guardian or legal custodian before May 1.

24 (3) Any home school student enrolled for dual enrollment
25 shall be included in the public school's attendance for purposes
26 of minimum education program or adequate education program
27 funding.

28 (4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require
29 any home school student to enroll with any school district for
30 dual enrollment purposes.

31 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
32 and after its passage.