

By: Senator(s) Harden

To: Education; Finance

SENATE BILL NO. 2198

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-59-107, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM AD VALOREM TAX LEVY FOR THE REPAYMENT OF
3 SHORT-TERM NOTES ISSUED BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS; AND FOR RELATED
4 PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 37-59-107, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 37-59-107. The levying authority for the school district
9 shall annually levy a special tax on all of the taxable property
10 of the school district on whose behalf the notes or certificates
11 of indebtedness are issued in an amount which shall be sufficient
12 to pay the principal of and interest upon such negotiable notes or
13 certificates of indebtedness as the same shall respectively mature
14 and accrue. Said tax shall be levied and collected at the same
15 time and in the same manner as other taxes are collected and said
16 tax shall be in addition to all other taxes authorized by law. It
17 is expressly provided, however, that such annual tax levy shall
18 not exceed five (5) mills on the dollar for the payment of all
19 notes issued under the provisions of this article and all notes
20 previously issued under the statutes hereby repealed. The special
21 tax so levied shall be collected by the tax collector of the
22 county at the same time and in the same manner as other taxes are
23 collected, and the proceeds thereof shall be paid to the school
24 district and shall be used exclusively for the payment of
25 principal of and interest upon such negotiable notes or
26 certificates of indebtedness.

27 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
28 and after July 1, 2005.