

By: Senator(s) Doxey

To: Education

SENATE BILL NO. 2478

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-9-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR LOCAL SCHOOL
3 SUPERINTENDENTS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 37-9-13, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
6 amended as follows:

7 37-9-13. Each school district shall have a superintendent of
8 schools, selected in the manner provided by law. No person shall
9 be eligible to the office of superintendent of schools unless such
10 person shall hold (a) a valid administrator's license issued by
11 the State Department of Education and shall have had not less than
12 four (4) years of classroom or administrative experience, or (b) a
13 graduate degree in business administration or the equivalent from
14 an accredited university.

15 **SECTION 2.** The Attorney General of the State of Mississippi
16 shall submit this act, immediately upon approval by the Governor,
17 or upon approval by the Legislature subsequent to a veto, to the
18 Attorney General of the United States or to the United States
19 District Court for the District of Columbia in accordance with the
20 provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and
21 extended.

22 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
23 and after the date it is effectuated under Section 5 of the Voting
24 Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended.