

By: Representative DuVall

To: Universities and  
Colleges

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1106

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-115-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO PROVIDE THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI SHALL BEAR THE  
3 NICKNAME "OLE MISS REBELS"; TO PROVIDE THAT THE UNIVERSITY'S  
4 MASCOT SHALL BE "COLONEL REBEL"; TO REQUIRE THAT THE UNIVERSITY'S  
5 BAND SHALL PLAY "DIXIE" AND "FROM DIXIE WITH LOVE" AT HOME AND  
6 AWAY FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL GAMES AT WHICH THE BAND, OR SOME  
7 PORTION OF THE BAND, IS PRESENT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

9 **SECTION 1.** Section 37-115-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
10 amended as follows:

11 37-115-1. (1) The University of Mississippi, incorporated  
12 on the twenty-fourth of February, A.D., 1844, shall continue to  
13 exist as a body-politic and corporate by that name and style, with  
14 all its property, real and personal, and with all the franchises,  
15 rights, powers and privileges heretofore conferred on it by law or  
16 properly incident to such a body and necessary to accomplish the  
17 end of its creation; said university may receive, hold and dispose  
18 of all real and personal property conveyed to it for such purpose.

19 (2) The University of Mississippi shall bear the nickname  
20 "Ole Miss Rebels" and its mascot shall be "Colonel Rebel." The  
21 University of Mississippi's marching band, known as the "Pride of  
22 the South," shall play the song "Dixie" before, during and after  
23 home and away football games and basketball games at which the  
24 band, or a portion of the band, is present. The marching band  
25 shall play the song "From Dixie With Love" before, during  
26 halftime, and after home football games; after away football  
27 games; and after home and away basketball games at which the band,  
28 or some portion of the band, is present.



29           **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
30 and after July 1, 2011.

