

By: Representative Dixon

To: Education

HOUSE BILL NO. 1057

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-20-9, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
 2 REVISE THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO  
 3 REQUIRE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT A POLICY  
 4 EMPLOYING THE USE OF PART-TIME TEACHERS TO PROVIDE REMEDIAL  
 5 EDUCATION INSTRUCTION TO STUDENTS EXPERIENCING ACADEMIC  
 6 DIFFICULTIES AS DETERMINED BY A SCORE ON STATEWIDE ASSESSMENTS AT  
 7 THE TWENTY-FIFTH PERCENTILE OR BELOW, OR FAILURE TO PASS ANY  
 8 END-OF-COURSE SUBJECT AREA TESTS ADMINISTERED BY THE STATE; AND  
 9 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

11 **SECTION 1.** Section 37-20-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
 12 amended as follows:

13 37-20-9. (1) The State Department of Education shall  
 14 provide technical assistance to districts and carry out the  
 15 responsibilities of reviewing, monitoring and evaluating the  
 16 programs conducted under this chapter.

17 (2) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules which, in  
 18 its opinion, are necessary to assure that the programs in each  
 19 school district are carried out in a manner consistent with the  
 20 purpose and intent of this chapter. The State Board of Education  
 21 shall develop a procedure for approving or denying local program



22 applications within sixty (60) days of their receipt by the State  
23 Department of Education. The State Department of Education shall  
24 include in its annual report the number of students participating  
25 in programs under this chapter, the extent to which student  
26 achievement has increased, the programs which appear to be most  
27 successful, and an analysis of the expenditure of funds by  
28 district.

29 (3) The State Board of Education shall require local school  
30 boards to adopt and implement a policy employing the use of  
31 teachers who teach on less than a full-time basis to provide  
32 remedial education instruction to those students in the school  
33 district who are experiencing academic difficulties as determined  
34 by a score on statewide assessments at the twenty-fifth percentile  
35 or below, or failure to pass any end-of-course subject area tests  
36 administered by the state.

37 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
38 and after July 1, 2013.

