

By: Representative Scott

To: Public Health and Human Services

HOUSE BILL NO. 481

1 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, STATE
 2 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE DIVISION OF MEDICAID TO PREPARE
 3 VIDEOS FOR PRESENTATION IN THE OFFICES IN WHICH TANF BENEFITS,
 4 SNAP BENEFITS, FOOD THROUGH THE WIC PROGRAM, MEDICAID ASSISTANCE
 5 AND CHIP BENEFITS ARE PROVIDED BY THOSE AGENCIES; TO PROVIDE THAT
 6 THE VIDEOS SHALL PROVIDE INFORMATION ON PRENATAL HEALTH CARE,
 7 SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES, ABSTINENCE EDUCATION, PREVENTIVE
 8 BIRTH CONTROL, MARRIAGE EDUCATION, PARENTING SKILLS, FAMILY
 9 PRESERVATION AND FATHERHOOD AND OTHER RELATED SUBJECTS, FOR
 10 DISTRIBUTION TO CERTAIN PERSONS AND ENTITIES AND TO THE PUBLIC
 11 UPON REQUEST; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

13 **SECTION 1.** (1) As used in this section, the term "agency"
 14 means the Mississippi Department of Human Services for applicants
 15 for and recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
 16 (TANF) benefits and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
 17 (SNAP) benefits; the State Department of Health for applicants for
 18 and recipients of food through the Women, Infants and Children's
 19 Nutrition Program (WIC); and the Division of Medicaid for
 20 applicants for and recipients of Medicaid assistance and
 21 Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) benefits.



22 (2) The agency shall prepare appropriate versions of videos
23 as required by this subsection in an appropriate medium for
24 presentation. The videos shall provide information on prenatal
25 health care, sexually transmitted diseases, abstinence education,
26 preventive birth control, marriage education, parenting skills,
27 family preservation and fatherhood and other related subjects.

28 The agency shall distribute the videos to the following
29 persons and entities:

30 (a) TANF recipients between the ages of thirteen (13)
31 and twenty (20) years who are pregnant or have a child and the
32 fathers of their children;

33 (b) Participants in the Medicaid family planning waiver
34 and the fathers of their children;

35 (c) Physicians who are Medicaid providers and who
36 practice obstetrics and gynecology;

37 (d) County health departments;

38 (e) WIC centers; and

39 (f) Family resource centers.

40 In addition, the agency shall make the videos available to
41 the public upon request.

42 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
43 and after July 1, 2018.

