MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representative Reynolds

To: Education

HOUSE BILL NO. 381

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-7-301, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXPAND THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF SCHOOL BOARDS BY REQUIRING LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS TO EXERCISE ALL REASONABLE EFFORTS TO ENSURE THE LESSEE OF A LEASEHOLD ON SIXTEENTH SECTION LANDS, OR LANDS RESERVED OR GRANTED IN LIEU OF OR AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR SIXTEENTH SECTION PAYS THE TAXES ON THE LEASEHOLD INTEREST; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

9 SECTION 1. Section 37-7-301, Mississippi Code of 1972, is

10 amended as follows:

11 37-7-301. The school boards of all school districts shall 12 have the following powers, authority and duties in addition to all 13 others imposed or granted by law, to wit:

14 (a) To organize and operate the schools of the district 15 and to make such division between the high school grades and 16 elementary grades as, in their judgment, will serve the best 17 interests of the school;

(b) To introduce public school music, art, manual
training and other special subjects into either the elementary or
high school grades, as the board shall deem proper;

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(c) To be the custodians of real and personal school property and to manage, control and care for same, both during the school term and during vacation;

(d) To have responsibility for the erection, repairing
and equipping of school facilities and the making of necessary
school improvements;

27 To suspend or to expel a pupil or to change the (e) 28 placement of a pupil to the school district's alternative school 29 or homebound program for misconduct in the school or on school property, as defined in Section 37-11-29, on the road to and from 30 31 school, or at any school-related activity or event, or for conduct 32 occurring on property other than school property or other than at 33 a school-related activity or event when such conduct by a pupil, in the determination of the school superintendent or principal, 34 35 renders that pupil's presence in the classroom a disruption to the 36 educational environment of the school or a detriment to the best 37 interest and welfare of the pupils and teacher of such class as a whole, and to delegate such authority to the appropriate officials 38 39 of the school district;

40 (f) To visit schools in the district, in their
41 discretion, in a body for the purpose of determining what can be
42 done for the improvement of the school in a general way;

(g) To support, within reasonable limits, the
superintendent, principal and teachers where necessary for the
proper discipline of the school;

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46 (h) To exclude from the schools students with what 47 appears to be infectious or contagious diseases; provided, however, such student may be allowed to return to school upon 48 presenting a certificate from a public health officer, duly 49 50 licensed physician or nurse practitioner that the student is free 51 from such disease;

52 To require those vaccinations specified by the (i) 53 State Health Officer as provided in Section 41-23-37;

54 To see that all necessary utilities and services (ij) 55 are provided in the schools at all times when same are needed;

56 To authorize the use of the school buildings and (k) grounds for the holding of public meetings and gatherings of the 57 58 people under such regulations as may be prescribed by said board;

59 To prescribe and enforce rules and regulations not (1)inconsistent with law or with the regulations of the State Board 60 61 of Education for their own government and for the government of 62 the schools, and to transact their business at regular and special meetings called and held in the manner provided by law; 63

64 To maintain and operate all of the schools under (m) 65 their control for such length of time during the year as may be 66 required;

To enforce in the schools the courses of study and 67 (n) 68 the use of the textbooks prescribed by the proper authorities; 69 To make orders directed to the superintendent of (\circ) 70 schools for the issuance of pay certificates for lawful purposes

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71 on any available funds of the district and to have full control of 72 the receipt, distribution, allotment and disbursement of all funds provided for the support and operation of the schools of such 73 74 school district whether such funds be derived from state 75 appropriations, local ad valorem tax collections, or otherwise. 76 The local school board shall be authorized and empowered to 77 promulgate rules and regulations that specify the types of claims 78 and set limits of the dollar amount for payment of claims by the 79 superintendent of schools to be ratified by the board at the next 80 regularly scheduled meeting after payment has been made;

(p) To select all school district personnel in the manner provided by law, and to provide for such employee fringe benefit programs, including accident reimbursement plans, as may be deemed necessary and appropriate by the board;

85 (q) To provide athletic programs and other school 86 activities and to regulate the establishment and operation of such 87 programs and activities;

(r) To join, in their discretion, any association of school boards and other public school-related organizations, and to pay from local funds other than minimum foundation funds, any membership dues;

92 (s) To expend local school activity funds, or other
93 available school district funds, other than minimum education
94 program funds, for the purposes prescribed under this paragraph.
95 "Activity funds" shall mean all funds received by school officials

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96 in all school districts paid or collected to participate in any 97 school activity, such activity being part of the school program and partially financed with public funds or supplemented by public 98 99 The term "activity funds" shall not include any funds funds. 100 raised and/or expended by any organization unless commingled in a 101 bank account with existing activity funds, regardless of whether 102 the funds were raised by school employees or received by school 103 employees during school hours or using school facilities, and 104 regardless of whether a school employee exercises influence over the expenditure or disposition of such funds. Organizations shall 105 106 not be required to make any payment to any school for the use of 107 any school facility if, in the discretion of the local school 108 governing board, the organization's function shall be deemed to be 109 beneficial to the official or extracurricular programs of the 110 school. For the purposes of this provision, the term 111 "organization" shall not include any organization subject to the 112 control of the local school governing board. Activity funds may only be expended for any necessary expenses or travel costs, 113 114 including advances, incurred by students and their chaperons in 115 attending any in-state or out-of-state school-related programs, 116 conventions or seminars and/or any commodities, equipment, travel 117 expenses, purchased services or school supplies which the local school governing board, in its discretion, shall deem beneficial 118 119 to the official or extracurricular programs of the district, 120 including items which may subsequently become the personal

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H. B. No. 381 22/HR26/R1224 PAGE 5 (DJ\KW) 121 property of individuals, including yearbooks, athletic apparel, 122 book covers and trophies. Activity funds may be used to pay travel expenses of school district personnel. The local school 123 governing board shall be authorized and empowered to promulgate 124 125 rules and regulations specifically designating for what purposes 126 school activity funds may be expended. The local school governing 127 board shall provide (i) that such school activity funds shall be 128 maintained and expended by the principal of the school generating 129 the funds in individual bank accounts, or (ii) that such school activity funds shall be maintained and expended by the 130 131 superintendent of schools in a central depository approved by the 132 The local school governing board shall provide that such board. 133 school activity funds be audited as part of the annual audit 134 required in Section 37-9-18. The State Department of Education 135 shall prescribe a uniform system of accounting and financial 136 reporting for all school activity fund transactions;

(t) To enter into an energy performance contract, energy services contract, <u>on</u> a shared<u>-</u>savings, lease or lease-purchase basis, for energy efficiency services and/or equipment as provided for in Section 31-7-14;

141 (u) To maintain accounts and issue pay certificates on142 school food service bank accounts;

(v) (i) To lease a school building from an individual, partnership, nonprofit corporation or a private for-profit corporation for the use of such school district, and to expend

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H. B. No. 381 22/HR26/R1224 PAGE 7 (DJ\KW) 171 elections upon the questions of the issuance of the bonds of 172 school districts, and the results thereof shall be certified to 173 the school board. If at least three-fifths (3/5) of the qualified electors of the school district who voted in such election shall 174 175 vote in favor of the leasing of a school building, then the school 176 board shall proceed to lease a school building. The term of the 177 lease contract shall not exceed twenty (20) years, and the total cost of such lease shall be either the amount of the lowest and 178 179 best bid accepted by the school board after advertisement for bids or an amount not to exceed the current fair market value of the 180 181 lease as determined by the averaging of at least two (2) 182 appraisals by certified general appraisers licensed by the State of Mississippi. The term "school building" as used in this 183 184 paragraph (v)(i) shall be construed to mean any building or 185 buildings used for classroom purposes in connection with the 186 operation of schools and shall include the site therefor, 187 necessary support facilities, and the equipment thereof and 188 appurtenances thereto such as heating facilities, water supply, 189 sewage disposal, landscaping, walks, drives and playgrounds. The 190 term "lease" as used in this paragraph (v)(i) may include a 191 lease-purchase contract;

(ii) If two (2) or more school districts propose to enter into a lease contract jointly, then joint meetings of the school boards having control may be held but no action taken shall be binding on any such school district unless the question of

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(w) To employ all noninstructional and * * *
<u>nonlicensed</u> employees and fix the duties and compensation of such
personnel deemed necessary pursuant to the recommendation of the
superintendent of schools;

(x) To employ and fix the duties and compensation ofsuch legal counsel as deemed necessary;

(y) Subject to rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, to purchase, own and operate trucks, vans and other motor vehicles, which shall bear the proper identification required by law;

(z) To expend funds for the payment of substitute teachers and to adopt reasonable regulations for the employment and compensation of such substitute teachers;

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221 To acquire in its own name by purchase all real (aa) 222 property which shall be necessary and desirable in connection with 223 the construction, renovation or improvement of any public school 224 building or structure. Whenever the purchase price for such real 225 property is greater than Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), the 226 school board shall not purchase the property for an amount 227 exceeding the fair market value of such property as determined by 228 the average of at least two (2) independent appraisals by 229 certified general appraisers licensed by the State of Mississippi. 230 If the board shall be unable to agree with the owner of any such 231 real property in connection with any such project, the board shall 232 have the power and authority to acquire any such real property by 233 condemnation proceedings pursuant to Section 11-27-1 et seq., 234 Mississippi Code of 1972, and for such purpose, the right of 235 eminent domain is hereby conferred upon and vested in said board. 236 Provided further, that the local school board is authorized to 237 grant an easement for ingress and egress over sixteenth section 238 land or lieu land in exchange for a similar easement upon 239 adjoining land where the exchange of easements affords substantial 240 benefit to the sixteenth section land; provided, however, the 241 exchange must be based upon values as determined by a competent 242 appraiser, with any differential in value to be adjusted by cash 243 payment. Any easement rights granted over sixteenth section land under such authority shall terminate when the easement ceases to 244 245 be used for its stated purpose. No sixteenth section or lieu land

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H. B. No. 381 22/HR26/R1224 PAGE 10 (DJ\KW) which is subject to an existing lease shall be burdened by any such easement except by consent of the lessee or unless the school district shall acquire the unexpired leasehold interest affected by the easement;

(bb) To charge reasonable fees related to the educational programs of the district, in the manner prescribed in Section 37-7-335;

(cc) Subject to rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, to purchase relocatable classrooms for the use of such school district, in the manner prescribed in Section 37-1-13;

(dd) Enter into contracts or agreements with other school districts, political subdivisions or governmental entities to carry out one or more of the powers or duties of the school board, or to allow more efficient utilization of limited resources for providing services to the public;

262 (ee) To provide for in-service training for employees
263 of the district;

(ff) As part of their duties to prescribe the use of textbooks, to provide that parents and legal guardians shall be responsible for the textbooks and for the compensation to the school district for any books which are not returned to the proper schools upon the withdrawal of their dependent child. If a textbook is lost or not returned by any student who drops out of the public school district, the parent or legal guardian shall

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271 also compensate the school district for the fair market value of 272 the textbooks;

(gg) To conduct fund-raising activities on behalf of the school district that the local school board, in its discretion, deems appropriate or beneficial to the official or extracurricular programs of the district; provided that:

(i) Any proceeds of the fund-raising activities shall be treated as "activity funds" and shall be accounted for as are other activity funds under this section; and

(ii) Fund-raising activities conducted or authorized by the board for the sale of school pictures, the rental of caps and gowns or the sale of graduation invitations for which the school board receives a commission, rebate or fee shall contain a disclosure statement advising that a portion of the proceeds of the sales or rentals shall be contributed to the student activity fund;

(hh) To allow individual lessons for music, art and other curriculum-related activities for academic credit or nonacademic credit during school hours and using school equipment and facilities, subject to uniform rules and regulations adopted by the school board;

(ii) To charge reasonable fees for participating in an extracurricular activity for academic or nonacademic credit for necessary and required equipment such as safety equipment, band instruments and uniforms;

H. B. No. 381 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 22/HR26/R1224 PAGE 12 (DJ\KW) (jj) To conduct or participate in any fund-raising activities on behalf of or in connection with a tax-exempt charitable organization;

(kk) To exercise such powers as may be reasonably
necessary to carry out the provisions of this section;

301 (11) To expend funds for the services of nonprofit arts 302 organizations or other such nonprofit organizations who provide 303 performances or other services for the students of the school 304 district;

305 (mm) To expend federal No Child Left Behind Act funds, 306 or any other available funds that are expressly designated and 307 authorized for that use, to pay training, educational expenses, 308 salary incentives and salary supplements to employees of local 309 school districts; except that incentives shall not be considered 310 part of the local supplement as defined in Section 37-151-5(o), 311 nor shall incentives be considered part of the local supplement 312 paid to an individual teacher for the purposes of Section 37-19-7(1). Mississippi Adequate Education Program funds or any 313 314 other state funds may not be used for salary incentives or salary 315 supplements as provided in this paragraph (mm);

(nn) To use any available funds, not appropriated or designated for any other purpose, for reimbursement to the state-licensed employees from both in state and out of state, who enter into a contract for employment in a school district, for the expense of moving when the employment necessitates the relocation

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22/HR26/R1224 PAGE 13 (DJ\KW) 321 of the licensed employee to a different geographical area than 322 that in which the licensed employee resides before entering into 323 the contract. The reimbursement shall not exceed One Thousand 324 Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the documented actual expenses incurred in 325 the course of relocating, including the expense of any 326 professional moving company or persons employed to assist with the 327 move, rented moving vehicles or equipment, mileage in the amount 328 authorized for county and municipal employees under Section 329 25-3-41 if the licensed employee used his personal vehicle or 330 vehicles for the move, meals and such other expenses associated 331 with the relocation. No licensed employee may be reimbursed for 332 moving expenses under this section on more than one (1) occasion 333 by the same school district. Nothing in this section shall be 334 construed to require the actual residence to which the licensed 335 employee relocates to be within the boundaries of the school 336 district that has executed a contract for employment in order for 337 the licensed employee to be eligible for reimbursement for the 338 moving expenses. However, the licensed employee must relocate 339 within the boundaries of the State of Mississippi. Any individual 340 receiving relocation assistance through the Critical Teacher Shortage Act as provided in Section 37-159-5 shall not be eligible 341 342 to receive additional relocation funds as authorized in this 343 paragraph;

344 (oo) To use any available funds, not appropriated or345 designated for any other purpose, to reimburse persons who

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interview for employment as a licensed employee with the district for the mileage and other actual expenses incurred in the course of travel to and from the interview at the rate authorized for county and municipal employees under Section 25-3-41;

350 (pp) Consistent with the report of the Task Force to 351 Conduct a Best Financial Management Practices Review, to improve 352 school district management and use of resources and identify cost 353 savings as established in Section 8 of Chapter 610, Laws of 2002, 354 local school boards are encouraged to conduct independent reviews of the management and efficiency of schools and school districts. 355 356 Such management and efficiency reviews shall provide state and 357 local officials and the public with the following: 358 (i) An assessment of a school district's 359 governance and organizational structure; 360 An assessment of the school district's (ii) 361 financial and personnel management;

362 (iii) An assessment of revenue levels and sources; 363 (iv) An assessment of facilities utilization, 364 planning and maintenance; 365 (v) An assessment of food services, transportation 366 and safety/security systems; 367 (vi) An assessment of instructional and

368 administrative technology;

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369 (vii) A review of the instructional management and 370 the efficiency and effectiveness of existing instructional 371 programs; and

372 (viii) Recommended methods for increasing 373 efficiency and effectiveness in providing educational services to 374 the public;

375 (qq) To enter into agreements with other local school 376 boards for the establishment of an educational service agency 377 (ESA) to provide for the cooperative needs of the region in which 378 the school district is located, as provided in Section 37-7-345;

379 (rr) To implement a financial literacy program for 380 students in Grades 10 and 11. The board may review the national 381 programs and obtain free literature from various nationally 382 recognized programs. After review of the different programs, the 383 board may certify a program that is most appropriate for the school districts' needs. If a district implements a financial 384 385 literacy program, then any student in Grade 10 or 11 may 386 participate in the program. The financial literacy program shall 387 include, but is not limited to, instruction in the same areas of 388 personal business and finance as required under Section 389 37-1-3(2)(b). The school board may coordinate with volunteer 390 teachers from local community organizations, including, but not 391 limited to, the following: United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development, United States Department of Housing 392 393 and Urban Development, Junior Achievement, bankers and other

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397 (ss) To collaborate with the State Board of Education, 398 Community Action Agencies or the Department of Human Services to 399 develop and implement a voluntary program to provide services for 400 a prekindergarten program that addresses the cognitive, social, 401 and emotional needs of four-year-old and three-year-old children. 402 The school board may utilize any source of available revenue to fund the voluntary program. Effective with the 2013-2014 school 403 404 year, to implement voluntary prekindergarten programs under the 405 Early Learning Collaborative Act of 2013 pursuant to state funds 406 awarded by the State Department of Education on a matching basis;

407 (tt) With respect to any lawful, written obligation of 408 a school district, including, but not limited to, leases 409 (excluding leases of sixteenth section public school trust land), 410 bonds, notes, or other agreement, to agree in writing with the 411 obligee that the Department of Revenue or any state agency, 412 department or commission created under state law may:

(i) Withhold all or any part (as agreed by the school board) of any monies which such local school board is entitled to receive from time to time under any law and which is in the possession of the Department of Revenue, or any state agency, department or commission created under state law; and

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(ii) Pay the same over to any financial institution, trustee or other obligee, as directed in writing by the school board, to satisfy all or part of such obligation of the school district.

422 The school board may make such written agreement to withhold 423 and transfer funds irrevocable for the term of the written 424 obligation and may include in the written agreement any other 425 terms and provisions acceptable to the school board. If the 426 school board files a copy of such written agreement with the 427 Department of Revenue, or any state agency, department or 428 commission created under state law then the Department of Revenue 429 or any state agency, department or commission created under state 430 law shall immediately make the withholdings provided in such 431 agreement from the amounts due the local school board and shall 432 continue to pay the same over to such financial institution, 433 trustee or obligee for the term of the agreement.

434 This paragraph (tt) shall not grant any extra authority to a school board to issue debt in any amount exceeding statutory 435 436 limitations on assessed value of taxable property within such 437 school district or the statutory limitations on debt maturities, 438 and shall not grant any extra authority to impose, levy or collect 439 a tax which is not otherwise expressly provided for, and shall not 440 be construed to apply to sixteenth section public school trust 441 land;

H. B. No. 381 22/HR26/R1224 PAGE 18 (DJ\KW) 442 (uu) With respect to any matter or transaction that is 443 competitively bid by a school district, to accept from any bidder as a good-faith deposit or bid bond or bid surety, the same type 444 of good-faith deposit or bid bond or bid surety that may be 445 446 accepted by the state or any other political subdivision on 447 similar competitively bid matters or transactions. This paragraph 448 (uu) shall not be construed to apply to sixteenth section public 449 school trust land. The school board may authorize the investment 450 of any school district funds in the same kind and manner of 451 investments, including pooled investments, as any other political 452 subdivision, including community hospitals;

453 (vv) To utilize the alternate method for the conveyance 454 or exchange of unused school buildings and/or land, reserving a 455 partial or other undivided interest in the property, as 456 specifically authorized and provided in Section 37-7-485;

457 (ww) To delegate, privatize or otherwise enter into a 458 contract with private entities for the operation of any and all 459 functions of nonacademic school process, procedures and operations 460 including, but not limited to, cafeteria workers, janitorial 461 services, transportation, professional development, achievement 462 and instructional consulting services materials and products, 463 purchasing cooperatives, insurance, business manager services, auditing and accounting services, school safety/risk prevention, 464 data processing and student records, and other staff services; 465 466 however, the authority under this paragraph does not apply to the

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467 leasing, management or operation of sixteenth section lands.
468 Local school districts, working through their regional education
469 service agency, are encouraged to enter into buying consortia with
470 other member districts for the purposes of more efficient use of
471 state resources as described in Section 37-7-345;

472 (xx) To partner with entities, organizations and473 corporations for the purpose of benefiting the school district;

474 (yy) To borrow funds from the Rural Economic475 Development Authority for the maintenance of school buildings;

476 (zz) To fund and operate voluntary early childhood 477 education programs, defined as programs for children less than 478 five (5) years of age on or before September 1, and to use any 479 source of revenue for such early childhood education programs. 480 Such programs shall not conflict with the Early Learning 481 Collaborative Act of 2013;

(aaa) To issue and provide for the use of procurement cards by school board members, superintendents and licensed school personnel consistent with the rules and regulations of the Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration under Section 31-7-9; and

(bbb) To conduct an annual comprehensive evaluation of the superintendent of schools consistent with the assessment components of paragraph (pp) of this section and the assessment benchmarks established by the Mississippi School Board Association to evaluate the success the superintendent has attained in meeting

H. B. No. 381 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 22/HR26/R1224 PAGE 20 (DJ\KW) 492 district goals and objectives, the superintendent's leadership 493 skill and whether or not the superintendent has established 494 appropriate standards for performance, is monitoring success and 495 is using data for improvement. 496 (ccc) To exercise all reasonable efforts to ensure the 497 lessee of a leasehold on sixteenth section lands, or lands 498 reserved or granted in lieu of or as a substitute for sixteenth 499 section pays the taxes on the leasehold interest, or be subject to 500 the cancellation of said lease.

501 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 502 and after July 1, 2022.

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