

By: Senator(s) Frazier

To: Education

SENATE BILL NO. 2056

1 AN ACT TO ENACT THE KATHRYN OREY PERRY PERIOD OF QUIET
 2 REFLECTION ACT; TO AMEND SECTION 37-13-8, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
 3 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT IN EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL CLASSROOM, THE LOCAL
 4 SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD SHALL REQUIRE A BRIEF PERIOD OF QUIET
 5 REFLECTION FOR NOT MORE THAN SIXTY SECONDS AT THE OPENING OF EVERY
 6 SCHOOL DAY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

8 **SECTION 1.** This Act shall be known and may be cited as the
 9 "Kathryn Orey Perry Period of Quiet Reflection Act."

10 **SECTION 2.** Section 37-13-8, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
 11 amended as follows:

12 37-13-8. (1) In each public school classroom, the local
 13 school governing board * * * shall require a brief period of quiet
 14 reflection for not more than sixty (60) seconds at the opening of
 15 school upon every school day.

16 (2) The moment of quiet reflection * * * required by
 17 subsection (1) of this section is not intended to be and shall not
 18 be conducted as a religious service or exercise but is considered
 19 an opportunity for a moment of silent reflection.



20 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
21 and after July 1, 2023.

