

By: Senator(s) DeBar

To: Education

SENATE BILL NO. 2362

1 AN ACT TO CREATE NEW SECTION 37-3-109, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
2 1972, TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO RESPOND TO ANY
3 REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FROM A MEMBER OF THE SENATE OR HOUSE OF
4 REPRESENTATIVES WITH THE REQUESTED INFORMATION WITHIN SEVEN DAYS
5 OF SUCH REQUEST; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE IT HAS PROPER
6 STAFFING TO RESPOND TO SUCH REQUESTS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

8 **SECTION 1.** The following shall be codified as Section
9 37-3-109, Mississippi Code of 1972:

10 37-3-109. The Department of Education shall promptly respond
11 to any request for information from a member of the Senate or
12 House of Representatives. A member of the Senate or House of
13 Representatives may request any information within the Department
14 of Education's purview, including but not limited to, education
15 programs, school statistics, employee salaries, school success,
16 funding mechanisms or grant information. The Department of
17 Education shall provide the requested information within seven (7)
18 days of such request. The Department of Education shall ensure it
19 has proper staffing to respond to such requests.



20 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
21 and after July 1, 2023.

