

By: Senator(s) Hopson, Jackson, McCaughn

To: Public Health and Welfare; Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2750

1 AN ACT TO CREATE NEW SECTION 41-60-34, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
2 1972, TO ESTABLISH THE AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN PUBLIC
3 PLACES GRANT PROGRAM TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
4 HEALTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO ENTITIES TO SUPPLY
5 AEDS IN PUBLIC PLACES; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT TO PROMULGATE
6 RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE PROGRAM; TO SET CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS
7 OF THE PROGRAM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

9 **SECTION 1.** The following shall be codified as Section
10 41-60-34, Mississippi Code of 1972:

11 41-60-34. (1) There is hereby established the Automated
12 External Defibrillators in Public Places Grant Program which shall
13 be administered by the Department of Health for the purpose of
14 providing funds to entities to supply AEDs in public places.

15 (2) For purposes of this section, "AED" shall mean an
16 automated external defibrillator as defined in Section 41-60-31.

17 (3) For purposes of this section, "public place" shall mean
18 any area to which the general public is invited or in which the
19 general public is permitted, regardless of the ownership of the
20 area, and any area owned or controlled by a municipality, county,



21 school district or state agency. Such term shall not mean a
22 private residential dwelling.

23 (4) The Department of Health shall administer the program
24 with the intent to ensure the health and safety of citizens in
25 public places. The Department of Health shall promulgate rules
26 and regulations to accomplish the purpose of the program. The
27 Department of Health shall establish criteria for applicants
28 applying on behalf of a municipality, county, school district or
29 state agency.

30 (5) Individual applicants shall provide the Department of
31 Health proof of control or ownership of the public place to
32 receive funds from the program.

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

