

By: Senator(s) McDaniel

To: Education

SENATE BILL NO. 2786

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-3-9, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE THAT THE SALARY OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION
3 SHALL NOT EXCEED THE SALARY OF THE GOVERNOR; AND FOR RELATED
4 PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 37-3-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 37-3-9. (1) There shall be a State Superintendent of Public
9 Education who shall be appointed by the State Board of Education,
10 with the advice and consent of the Senate, and serve at the
11 board's will and pleasure. He shall be the Chief Administrative
12 Officer for the State Department of Education and shall administer
13 the department in accordance with the policies established by the
14 State Board of Education. * * * From and after * * * July 1,
15 2023, the salary of the State Superintendent of Education shall be
16 established by the State Board of Education not to exceed the
17 salary of the Governor. The State Superintendent of Public
18 Education shall have at least a master's degree in any field and a



19 minimum of five (5) years' experience in administration in the
20 educational field.

21 (2) The State Superintendent shall give bond in the penalty
22 of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00), with sureties to be
23 approved by the Governor, conditioned according to law. The bond,
24 when approved, shall be filed and recorded in the Office of the
25 Secretary of State.

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

