

**Adopted
AMENDMENT NO 1 TO COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED
TO**

House Bill No. 588

BY: Senator(s) Parker

1 **AMEND on line 107 by inserting "and amended" after**
2 "reenacted".

3 **FURTHER, AMEND by inserting the following below line 314:**

4 (o) To implement and oversee career coaching programs,
5 as described in Section 37-73-3, to support middle schools and
6 high schools by exposing, preparing and connecting students to
7 career avenues within and beyond the classroom setting. The
8 program may include providing career coaches with access to
9 technology to develop customized career pathways and connect
10 students with post-secondary and employment opportunities matching
11 their skills and interests;

12 (p) To implement and oversee programs providing support
13 to community and junior colleges for training needs that may arise
14 when new businesses locate in Mississippi, to include providing



15 support to existing industries that may lose employees as a result
16 of the new business; and

17 (q) To implement and oversee the Mississippi K-12
18 Workforce Development Grant Program created in Section 2 of Senate
19 Bill No. 2810, 2023 Regular Session, to provide equipment and
20 other resources to career and technical or other workforce
21 programs in public schools.

22 **FURTHER, AMEND by striking lines 393-420 and inserting in**
23 **lieu thereof the following:**

24 (10) The office shall file an annual and a quarterly report
25 with the Governor, Secretary of State, President of the
26 Senate, * * * Speaker of the House, * * * Chairman of the House
27 Workforce Development Committee and Chairman of the Senate
28 Economic and Workforce Committee. The annual report shall be
29 filed not later than October 1 of each year regarding all funds
30 approved by the office to be expended on workforce training during
31 the prior calendar year. The quarterly and annual reports shall
32 include:

33 (a) Information on the performance of the Mississippi
34 Workforce Enhancement Training Fund and the Mississippi Works
35 Fund, in terms of adding value to the local and state economy, the
36 contribution to future growth of the state economy, and movement
37 toward state goals, including increasing the labor force
38 participation rate; and

39 (b) With respect to specific workforce training
40 projects:



- 41 (i) The location of the training;
- 42 (ii) The amount allocated to the project;
- 43 (iii) The purpose of the project;
- 44 (iv) The specific business entity that is the
- 45 beneficiary of the project; * * *
- 46 (v) The number of employees intended to be trained
- 47 and actually trained, if applicable, in the course of the
- 48 project * * *; and
- 49 (vi) The types of funds used for the project.
- 50 (c) With respect to the grants that have been awarded
- 51 under the Mississippi K-12 Workforce Development Grant Program:
- 52 (i) The entity that was awarded the grant;
- 53 (ii) The amount allocated to the grant;
- 54 (iii) The purpose of the grant; and
- 55 (iv) How the grant has been used since it was
- 56 awarded.
- 57 (d) With respect to the office's authority to select
- 58 tools and resources, including necessary online platforms and
- 59 similar systems in furtherance of the mission of the office:
- 60 (i) The policies that the office has adopted or
- 61 amended on the process for the selection of tools and resources,
- 62 including necessary online platforms and similar systems in
- 63 furtherance of the mission of the office;



64 (ii) The eligible entities that the office
65 determined may provide services, such as companies, nonprofit
66 organizations, or other similar groups;

67 (iii) Any tools and resources, including necessary
68 online platforms and similar systems in furtherance of the mission
69 of the office, that have been selected by the office; and

70 (iv) What entity received the benefit of the tools
71 and resources that were selected.

72 (* * *e) All information concerning a proposed project
73 which is provided to the executive director shall be kept
74 confidential. Such confidentiality shall not limit disclosure
75 under the Mississippi Public Records Act of 1983 of records
76 describing the nature, quantity, cost or other pertinent
77 information related to the activities of, or services performed
78 using, the Mississippi Workforce Enhancement Training Fund or the
79 Mississippi Works Fund.

80 **FURTHER, AMEND on line 6494 by striking "61" and inserting in**
81 **lieu thereof "62".**

82 **FURTHER, AMEND the title to conform by inserting the**
83 **following on line 5 after the semicolon:**

84 TO AMEND REENACTED SECTION 37-153-7, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
85 GIVE THE STATE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD THE DUTIES OF
86 IMPLEMENTING AND OVERSEEING CAREER COACHING PROGRAMS IN MIDDLE
87 SCHOOLS AND HIGH SCHOOLS, PROGRAMS PROVIDING SUPPORT TO COMMUNITY
88 AND JUNIOR COLLEGES FOR TRAINING NEEDS ARISING WHEN NEW BUSINESSES
89 LOCATE IN MISSISSIPPI, AND A MISSISSIPPI K-12 WORKFORCE
90 DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE EQUIPMENT AND OTHER RESOURCES
91 TO CAREER AND TECHNICAL OR OTHER WORKFORCE PROGRAMS IN PUBLIC
92 SCHOOLS; TO REVISE CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF THE OFFICE OF
93 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT;

