By: Representative Scoggin

To: Universities and Colleges

## HOUSE BILL NO. 939

- AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-147-7, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
- 2 TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE COMPOSITION OF THE MISSISSIPPI
- 3 UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AUTHORITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 5 **SECTION 1.** Section 37-147-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 6 amended as follows:
- 7 37-147-7. The authority shall be composed of  $\star$   $\star$  an odd
- 8 number of members, said number to be determined and appointed by
- 9 the board from among the \* \* research officers of the eight (8)
- 10 institutions of higher learning and the University of Mississippi
- 11 Medical Center, to serve at the will and pleasure of the board;
- 12 the vice president of the board during the term of his office; the
- 13 Director of the \* \* \* Mississippi Development Authority, or his
- 14 designee; \* \* \* and the Commissioner of Higher Education as an ex
- 15 officio, nonvoting member.
- 16 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 17 and after July 1, 2024.