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To: Workforce Development

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 1274

1 AN ACT TO CREATE THE MISSISSIPPI NONPROFIT PARTNERSHIP STUDY
2 COMMITTEE; TO PROVIDE THAT THE COMMITTEE IS TO STUDY THE
3 MISSISSIPPI ALLIANCE OF NONPROFITS AND PHILANTHROPY'S PROTOTYPE
4 SYSTEM FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES; TO
5 PROVIDE THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE; TO PROVIDE THAT THE
6 COMMITTEE SHALL STUDY AND MAKE A REPORT ON THE PROTOTYPE SYSTEM
7 THAT WILL IDENTIFY, DOCUMENT, NETWORK, ASSESS NEEDS AND CREATE A
8 PLAN FOR INCREASING ACCOUNTABILITY, TRANSPARENCY, OCCUPATIONAL
9 CAPACITY AND INFORMATION SHARING FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS IN
10 MISSISSIPPI THAT ARE AWARDED GRANTS AND CONTRACTS THAT USE FEDERAL
11 OR STATE RESOURCES THAT ARE RELATED TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND
12 EMPLOYMENT SERVICES; TO REQUIRE THE STUDY COMMITTEE TO REPORT TO
13 CERTAIN OFFICIALS BY DECEMBER 1, 2024; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

15 **SECTION 1.** (1) There is created the Mississippi Nonprofit
16 Partnership Study Committee. The purpose of the committee is to
17 study the Mississippi Alliance of Nonprofits and Philanthropy's
18 prototype system for workforce development and employment
19 services.

20 (2) The Mississippi Nonprofit Partnership Study Committee
21 shall be comprised of the following members:

22 (a) The Secretary of State, or his or her designee;

23 (b) One (1) member to be appointed by the Governor;



24 (c) One (1) member to be appointed by the Lieutenant
25 Governor;

26 (d) One (1) member to be appointed by the Speaker of the
27 House of Representatives; and

28 (e) The Executive Director of the Mississippi Alliance
29 of Nonprofits and Philanthropy, or his or her designee.

30 (3) Appointments shall be made within thirty (30) days after
31 the sine die adjournment of the 2024 Regular Session. At the
32 first meeting, the study committee shall elect a chair and a vice
33 chair. The study committee shall meet and organize fifteen (15)
34 days after all appointments have been made. The vice chair shall
35 also serve as secretary and shall be responsible for keeping all
36 records of the study committee. A majority of the members of the
37 study committee shall constitute a quorum. In the selection of
38 its officers and the adoption of rules, resolutions and reports,
39 an affirmative vote of a majority of the study committee shall be
40 required. All members shall be notified in writing of all
41 meetings, such notices to be mailed at least fifteen (15) days
42 before the date on which a meeting is to be held. Members of the
43 study committee shall not be compensated or reimbursed for travel
44 expenses.

45 (4) The committee shall study and make a report on the
46 following:

47 (a) The prototype system that will identify, document,
48 network, assess needs and create a plan for increasing



49 accountability, transparency, occupational capacity and
50 information sharing for nonprofit organizations in Mississippi
51 that are awarded grants and contracts that use federal or state
52 resources that are related to workforce development and employment
53 services;

54 (b) The necessity for any prototype system;

55 (c) The federal and state grants that are awarded to
56 nonprofits in Mississippi for workforce development and employment
57 services; and

58 (d) Anything else that the committee deems necessary to
59 review and study.

60 (5) The study committee shall submit its report to the
61 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of
62 Representatives, Chairmen of the House and Senate Appropriations
63 Committees, the Chairman of the House Workforce Development
64 Committee and the Chairman of the Senate Economic and Workforce
65 Development Committee by December 1, 2024. After such report is
66 submitted, the study committee shall be dissolved.

67 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
68 and after its passage.

