

By: Senator(s) Hill

To: Education;
Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2069

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-3-9, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE A STATUTORY LIMITATION ON THE SALARY OF THE STATE
3 SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

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

7 37-3-9. (1) There shall be a State Superintendent of Public
8 Education who shall be appointed by the State Board of Education,
9 with the advice and consent of the Senate, and serve at the
10 board's will and pleasure. He shall be the Chief Administrative
11 Officer for the State Department of Education and shall administer
12 the department in accordance with the policies established by the
13 State Board of Education. The State Superintendent of Education,
14 serving on July 1, 2011, shall continue to receive the salary that
15 he was receiving on January 1, 2011. From and after the
16 completion of the term of the said superintendent serving on July
17 1, * * * 2022, the salary of the State Superintendent of Education
18 shall be established by the State Board of Education, but not to



19 exceed one hundred five percent (105%) of the national average for
20 state superintendents as published by the Southern Regional
21 Education Board (SREB). The State Superintendent of Public
22 Education shall have at least a master's degree in any field and a
23 minimum of five (5) years' experience in administration in the
24 educational field.

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

30 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
31 and after July 1, 2024.

