By: Representatives Karriem, Blackmon To: Education

HOUSE BILL NO. 667

- AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP A CIVICS CURRICULUM TO BE TAUGHT IN THE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS; TO AMEND SECTION 37-13-151, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP A HIGH SCHOOL HOME ECONOMICS CURRICULUM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 7 **SECTION 1.** The State Board of Education shall develop a
- 8 civics curriculum to be incorporated into the existing curriculum
- 9 mandated for all public high schools. The civics curriculum must
- 10 be designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills that
- 11 are critical to the responsibilities of citizenship in the
- 12 constitutional democracy of the United States. The board shall
- 13 require each school district to implement the civics curriculum in
- 14 the 2026-2027 school year.
- 15 **SECTION 2.** Section 37-13-151, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 16 amended as follows:
- 17 37-13-151. * * * The State Board of Education shall develop
- 18 a home economics curriculum to be implemented in the public high
- 19 schools by all local school districts * * * in the 2026-2027

- 20 <u>school year.</u> The home economics curriculum must include, at a
- 21 <u>minimum</u>, course work in responsible parenting and family living
- 22 skills. The * * * curriculum also must provide instruction to
- 23 prepare students to understand children's physical, mental,
- 24 emotional and social growth and development as well as to assume
- 25 responsibility for their care and guidance, with emphasis on
- 26 nutrition, emotional health and physical health. * * *
- 27 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 28 and after July 1, 2025.