

**Adopted  
COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

**House Bill No. 1555**

**BY: Committee**

**Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting  
in lieu thereof the following:**

5        **SECTION 1.**    (1)    There is created the Mississippi Curriculum  
6    Alignment Task Force to review and make recommendations on how to  
7    align the curriculum at the secondary and post secondary levels  
8    throughout the state.

9        (2)    The task force shall be composed of the following  
10   members:

11                (a)    The Executive Director of the Mississippi Community  
12   College Board, or his or her designee;

13                (b)    The Superintendent of the Mississippi Department of  
14   Education, or his or her designee;



15 (c) The Commissioner of the Board of Trustees of State  
16 Institutions of Higher Learning, or his or her designee;

17 (d) The Executive Director of the Office of Workforce  
18 Development, or his or her designee;

19 (e) Two (2) members who represent the community and  
20 junior colleges, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
21 Representatives;

22 (f) Two (2) members who represent the Mississippi  
23 Department of Education, to be appointed by the Lieutenant  
24 Governor;

25 (g) Two (2) members from the Office of Workforce  
26 Development, to be appointed by the Executive Director of the  
27 Office of Workforce Development;

28 (h) The Chair of the Mississippi House of  
29 Representatives Workforce Development Committee;

30 (i) The Chair of the Mississippi House of  
31 Representatives Education Committee;

32 (j) The Chair of the Mississippi House of  
33 Representatives Universities and Colleges Committee;

34 (k) The Chair of the Mississippi Senate Economic and  
35 Workforce Development Committee;

36 (l) The Chair of the Mississippi Senate Education  
37 Committee; and

38 (m) The Chair of the Mississippi Senate Universities  
39 and Colleges Committee.



(3) The duties of the task force shall include the following:

(a) Study the curriculum at the secondary and post-secondary levels and determine the best ways to align those curriculums so that the best interest of the students are met;

(b) Examine the high school experience and the community college experience and determine what each experience should incorporate;

(c) Analyze the Carnegie units currently required at the secondary level and determine if those properly align with what is best for each student enrolled in this state;

(d) Calculate the funding that would be necessary to properly align the curriculum at the secondary and post-secondary levels; and

(e) Determine what state law changes are needed, if any, to align the curriculum at the secondary and post-secondary levels.

(4) (a) Appointments to the task force shall be made within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this act. Within fifteen (15) days thereafter on a day to be designated jointly by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Lieutenant Governor, the task force shall meet and organize by selecting from its membership a chair and a vice chair. The vice chair shall also serve as secretary and shall be responsible for keeping all records of the task force. A majority of the members of the task



65 force shall constitute a quorum. In the selection of its officers  
66 and the adoption of rules, resolutions and reports, an affirmative  
67 vote of a majority of the task force shall be required. All  
68 members shall be notified in writing of all meetings, and those  
69 notices shall be mailed at least fifteen (15) days before the date  
70 on which a meeting is to be held.

71 (b) The task force shall meet at least once each month  
72 and provide monthly reports to the Legislature on its activities.

73 (c) The task force shall make a final report of its  
74 findings and recommendations, including any recommended  
75 legislation, to the Legislature not later than December 1, 2025,  
76 at which time the task force will be dissolved.

77 (5) Members of the task force shall receive no compensation  
78 for their service on the task force, but may receive reimbursement  
79 for mileage and actual expenses as provided in Section 25-3-41, to  
80 the extent that funds are available for that purpose.

81 (6) The Mississippi Department of Education shall provide  
82 the staff and other support necessary for the task force to  
83 perform its duties.

84 (7) To effectuate the purposes of this act, any department,  
85 division, board, bureau, committee, institution or agency of the  
86 state, or any political subdivision thereof, shall, at the request  
87 of the chairman of the task force, provide the facilities,  
88 assistance, information and data needed to enable the task force  
89 to carry out its duties.



90           **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
91 and after its passage, and shall stand repealed on the day before  
92 its passage.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and  
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1           AN ACT TO CREATE THE MISSISSIPPI CURRICULUM ALIGNMENT TASK  
2 FORCE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE TASK FORCE; TO PROVIDE  
3 THE DUTIES OF THE TASK FORCE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

