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## SENATE BILL NO. 2934 (As Passed the Senate)

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-41, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO 1 2 3 POSTAUDIT STATE AGENCY CLAIMS AND WARRANTS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 6 SECTION 1. Section 7-7-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 7 amended as follows:[RDD1] 7-7-41. The State Fiscal Officer may promulgate such 8 regulations and procedures as he may deem necessary in regard to 9 10 preauditing and postauditing claims and issuing warrants covering payments for construction contracts entered into by the highway 11 12 department, the building commission, the State Educational Finance 13 Commission, or by any other agency now existing or hereafter created, having control and supervision of the awarding and 14 15 payment of construction contracts. The State Fiscal Officer shall also be authorized, and it 16 17 shall be his duty, to prescribe rules and regulations concerning the preauditing and postauditing of claims and the issuance of 18 19 warrants and other forms of payments for all departments, 20 institutions and agencies of the state, more particularly those coming within the provisions of Sections 7-9-41 and 7-9-43, 21 Mississippi Code of 1972, after full discussion with the fiscal 22 officers thereof, to the end that the most efficient overall state 23 24 accounting system may be maintained. Such regulations, however, 25 shall be of such nature and application that the State Fiscal 26 Officer shall be able to maintain adequate records in his books of

accounts of all fiscal operations of the state, and in no event

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- 28 shall the regular audit of the transactions of such departments,
- 29 institutions and agencies by the State Department of Audit be
- 30 suspended.
- 31 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 32 and after July 1, 2000.