

By: Representative Mayo

To: Education;
Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1298

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-6-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REMOVE THE PROHIBITION ON SALARIED SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS FROM BEING
3 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR
4 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 37-6-13, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 37-6-13. Each person serving as a member of the school board
9 of any school district shall receive per diem in the amount of
10 Sixty-seven Dollars (\$67.00) for no more than thirty-six (36)
11 meetings of the school board during any one (1) fiscal year or, in
12 his or her discretion, irrevocably may choose to receive as
13 compensation for his or her services an annual salary in the
14 amount of Two Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$2,400.00), which
15 choice shall remain in force for all successive terms or periods
16 of service of that member. The receipt of the compensation shall
17 not entitle any member of a school board to receive or be eligible
18 for any state employee group insurance * * * or other fringe
19 benefits, except for membership in the Public Employees'
20 Retirement System. Each member shall be reimbursed for the
21 necessary expenses and mileage in attending meetings of the school
22 board. In addition to the foregoing, all members may be
23 reimbursed for mileage and actual expenses incurred in the further
24 performance of their duties, including attendance at any mandatory
25 school board training session or at regional and national
26 education meetings, when such mileage and other expenses are
27 authorized by the board prior to the date on which they occur.
28 Detailed vouchers shall be submitted for reimbursement for all



29 expenses authorized by this section. Such reimbursement shall be
30 in accordance with Section 25-3-41.

31 Such expenses shall be paid on order of the school board by
32 pay certificates issued by the superintendent of the school
33 district involved against the funds available for payment of the
34 administrative expense of the district.

35 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
36 and after July 1, 2002.

