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**AMENDMENT No. 1 PROPOSED TO**

**Senate Bill NO. 2249**

**By Representative(s) Committee**

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

**SECTION 1.** Section 37-13-133, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
amended as follows:

37-13-133. Under the provisions of Section 37-13-131, the  
State Department of Education may provide for the services of a  
School Health Services Coordinator, School Instruction  
Coordinator, School Environmental Specialist, \* \* \* and such other  
professional and nonprofessional staff as may be needed and as  
funds available to the department will permit. The State  
Department of Education, subject to the availability of funds  
specifically for such purpose, shall employ a physical activity  
coordinator K-12 not later than September 1, 2002, in accordance  
with the provisions of Section 37-13-134. It shall be the  
responsibility of that professional staff to coordinate efforts of  
the personnel of the State Department of Education, the state's  
colleges and universities, local public schools and other  
appropriate agencies to provide the comprehensive health education  
curriculum.

**SECTION 2.** The following shall be codified as Section  
37-13-134, Mississippi Code of 1972:

37-13-134. (1) The physical activity coordinator employed

under Section 37-13-133 must have the qualifications prescribed in any of the following paragraphs, which are listed in the order of preference:

(a) A doctorate in physical education, exercise science or a highly related field, and at least three (3) years of experience in teaching physical education in grades K-12 or in physical activity promotion/fitness leadership; or

(b) A master's degree in physical education, exercise science or a highly related field, and at least five (5) years of experience in teaching physical education in grades K-12 or in physical activity promotion/fitness leadership; or

(c) A bachelor's degree in physical education, a teacher's license, and at least seven (7) years of experience in teaching physical education in grades K-12 or in physical activity promotion/fitness leadership.

(2) The Governor's Commission on Physical Fitness and Sports created under Section 7-1-551 et seq., the Mississippi Council on Obesity Prevention and Management created under Section 41-101-1 et seq., the Task Force on Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention created under Section 41-103-1 et seq., the Mississippi Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, and the Mississippi Alliance for School Health shall provide recommendations to the State Department of Education regarding the employment of the physical activity coordinator. The department shall consider the recommendations of those entities in employing the physical activity coordinator.

(3) The physical activity coordinator shall present a state physical activity plan each year to the Governor's Commission on Physical Fitness and Sports, the Mississippi Council on Obesity Prevention and Management, the Task Force on Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention, and the Mississippi Alliance for School Health.

(4) The physical activity coordinator shall monitor the districts for adherence to current Mississippi school accountability standards and for implementation of the physical education curriculum on file with the State Department of

75 Education.

76       **SECTION 3.** The State Department of Education shall conduct a  
77 study on the correlation between physical activity or exercise and  
78 classroom performance. The study must include recommendations for  
79 the implementation of a healthy schools program. The department  
80 shall submit a report on the results of the study, including  
81 recommendations for legislation, to the chairmen of the Education  
82 Committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate before  
83 December 1, 2002.

84       **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
85 and after July 1, 2002.

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

1       AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-13-133, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL EMPLOY A  
3 PHYSICAL ACTIVITY COORDINATOR K-12; TO CODIFY NEW SECTION  
4 37-13-134, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO SPECIFY THE MINIMUM  
5 QUALIFICATIONS OF THE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY COORDINATOR; TO PROVIDE  
6 THAT THE GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON PHYSICAL FITNESS AND SPORTS, THE  
7 MISSISSIPPI COUNCIL ON OBESITY PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT, THE TASK  
8 FORCE ON HEART DISEASE AND STROKE PREVENTION AND THE MISSISSIPPI  
9 ALLIANCE FOR SCHOOL HEALTH SHALL PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE  
10 STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION REGARDING THE EMPLOYMENT OF THE  
11 PHYSICAL ACTIVITY COORDINATOR, AND THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSIDER  
12 THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THOSE ENTITIES IN EMPLOYING THE PHYSICAL  
13 ACTIVITY COORDINATOR; TO REQUIRE THE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY COORDINATOR  
14 TO PRESENT A STATE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PLAN EACH YEAR TO THOSE  
15 ENTITIES; TO REQUIRE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO CONDUCT  
16 A STUDY AND SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE HOUSE AND SENATE EDUCATION  
17 COMMITTEES ON THE CORRELATION BETWEEN PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND  
18 CLASSROOM PERFORMANCE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.