

By: Senator(s) White

To: Public Health and Welfare

SENATE BILL NO. 2438

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-60-33, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO REQUIRE THE REGISTRATION OF AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS  
3 (AED) WITH THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; AND FOR RELATED  
4 PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 41-60-33, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
7 amended as follows:

8 41-60-33. Any person may use an automated external  
9 defibrillator for the purpose of saving the life of another person  
10 in sudden cardiac death, subject to the following requirements:

11 (a) A Mississippi licensed physician must exercise  
12 medical control authority over the person using the AED to ensure  
13 compliance with requirements for training, emergency medical  
14 services (EMS) notification and maintenance;

15 (b) The person using the AED must have received  
16 appropriate training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and in  
17 the use of an AED by the American Heart Association, American Red  
18 Cross, National Safety Council or other nationally recognized  
19 course in CPR and AED use;

20 (c) The AED must not operate in a manual mode except  
21 when access control devices are in place or when appropriately  
22 licensed individuals such as registered nurses, physicians or  
23 emergency medical technician-paramedics utilize the AED; \* \* \*

24 (d) Any person who renders emergency care or treatment  
25 on a person in sudden cardiac death by using an AED must activate  
26 the EMS system as soon as possible, and report any clinical use of  
27 the AED to the licensed physician; and



28           (e) Any AED placed for use in Mississippi must be  
29 registered with the Mississippi Department of Health, Division of  
30 Emergency Medical Services, within thirty (30) days of receipt.  
31 The Mississippi State Department of Health, Division of Emergency  
32 Medical Services, is authorized to promulgate rules and  
33 regulations for the placement and registry of AEDs in the State of  
34 Mississippi, and to require that copies of the registration be  
35 posted at the location owning or having access to the operation of  
36 the AED.

37           **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
38 and after July 1, 2003.

