

By: Representative Evans

To: Fees and Salaries of  
Public Officers; Education

HOUSE BILL NO. 651

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE HEAD OF ANY STATE AGENCY  
2 TO DEDUCT ASSOCIATION OR ORGANIZATION DUES FROM THE SALARIES OF  
3 STATE EMPLOYEES OF THAT AGENCY UPON WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION FROM THE  
4 EMPLOYEE; TO AMEND SECTION 37-9-49, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
5 AUTHORIZE THE DEDUCTION OF DUES FROM THE SALARIES OF CERTIFICATED  
6 SCHOOL EMPLOYEES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

8 **SECTION 1.** The executive head of any state agency may deduct  
9 or permit to be deducted from the salary of any state employee of  
10 that agency, upon written authorization from the employee  
11 involved, any dues payable to any organization or association.

12 **SECTION 2.** Section 37-9-49, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
13 amended as follows:

14 37-9-49. \* \* \* The superintendent of schools or  
15 administrative superintendent may deduct or permit to be deducted  
16 from the salary of any superintendent, administrative  
17 superintendent, principal or licensed employee, with written  
18 authorization from the employee involved, any dues, fines or  
19 penalties payable or alleged to be payable because of the  
20 membership of such superintendent, administrative superintendent,  
21 principal or licensed employee in any organization or  
22 association. \* \* \* Dues or premiums in health associations or  
23 corporations and tax sheltered annuity deductions authorized by  
24 the United States Internal Revenue Code may be deducted upon  
25 written authorization from the superintendent, administrative  
26 superintendent, principal or licensed employee involved. Any  
27 superintendent of schools or administrative superintendent who  
28 shall make any such deduction or permit any such deduction to be  
29 made, except those herein provided, shall be guilty of a

30 misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not  
31 more than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each such deduction.

32         **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
33 and after July 1, 2004.