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To: Education

HOUSE BILL NO. 1343

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL TO INCLUDE WITHIN  
2 ITS UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT CLASS NOT LESS THAN 1/2 HOUR OF VOTER  
3 EDUCATION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** In addition to the curriculum otherwise required  
6 by law or by the State Board of Education to be taught in the  
7 public schools of this state, each public school shall include not  
8 less than one-half (1/2) hour of voter education as part of the  
9 school's United States Government class. The voter education  
10 component of United State Government required under this section  
11 must include, but not necessarily be limited to, instruction in  
12 the following:

- 13 (a) Registering to vote;
- 14 (b) Voting by electronic voting machine;
- 15 (c) The office of Election Commissioner and the duties  
16 performed by Election Commissioners; and
- 17 (d) Any other issues related to the process of voting  
18 which the State Department of Education may require.

19 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this act shall be codified as a  
20 separate code section in Chapter 13, Title 37, Mississippi Code of  
21 1972.

22 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
23 and after July 1, 2006.