

By: Representative Scott

To: Accountability,
Efficiency, Transparency

HOUSE BILL NO. 139

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE ALL AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, INSTITUTIONS AND
 2 POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE THAT PROVIDE PROGRAMS OR
 3 SERVICES TO CHILDREN IN THIS STATE TO CREATE, ANNUALLY, AN
 4 ITEMIZED LIST OF THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES PROVIDED TO CHILDREN;
 5 TO REQUIRE THAT THE LIST CONTAINS A DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAMS
 6 AND SERVICES, A RESOURCE MAPPING OF ALL FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDS
 7 RECEIVED, COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, THE
 8 NUMBER OF CHILDREN SERVED BY THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, AND ANY
 9 PERFORMANCE MEASURES USED TO ASSESS THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES; TO
 10 PROVIDE THAT THE ITEMIZED LISTS OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES SHALL BE
 11 PROVIDED TO THE JOHN C. STENNIS INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT AT
 12 MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1 OF EACH
 13 YEAR; TO PROVIDE THAT THE STENNIS INSTITUTE SHALL COMPILE THE
 14 INFORMATION IN THOSE LISTS INTO ONE DOCUMENT, AND SHALL MAKE THE
 15 COMPILED INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO CERTAIN COMMITTEES OF THE
 16 LEGISLATURE BY DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

18 **SECTION 1.** (1) All agencies, departments, institutions and
 19 political subdivisions of the state that provide programs or
 20 services to children in this state shall create an itemized list
 21 of the programs and services provided by that agency, department,
 22 institution or political subdivision. The itemized list shall
 23 provide the following information:

24 (a) A description of the programs and services,
 25 categorized by program, target population and geographical region;



26 (b) An itemized resource map of all federal and state
27 funds received for the programs and services;

28 (c) The performance measures used to assess the
29 expenditure of those funds, the intended outcomes of the programs
30 and services and the actual outcomes of the programs and services;

31 (d) Any costs associated with operating the programs
32 and services; and

33 (e) The number of children served by the programs and
34 services.

35 (2) The agencies, departments, institutions and political
36 subdivisions shall provide the itemized lists of the programs and
37 services required by subsection (1) of this section to the John C.
38 Stennis Institute (Stennis Institute) of Government at Mississippi
39 State University not later than September 1 of each year, and the
40 Stennis Institute of Government shall compile the information in
41 those lists into one (1) document, organized both by programs and
42 services and by the agencies, departments, institutions and
43 political subdivisions providing the programs and services. The
44 Stennis Institute shall make the compiled information available to
45 the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Appropriations,
46 Education and Public Health and Human Services Committees of the
47 Mississippi House of Representatives, and the Appropriations,
48 Education and Public Health and Welfare Committees of the
49 Mississippi Senate by December 1 of each year.



50 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
51 and after July 1, 2024.

