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Governor Signs Bill To Revise Education Requirements For Conservation Officers

Jackson, Miss. – Governor Ronnie Musgrove on Monday signed Senate Bill 2980, which will revise the education requirements for conservation officers with the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks.

“Time and time again I have said education must be our number one priority in Mississippi,” said Governor Musgrove. “This legislation emphasizes the importance of the role education plays in the responsibilities of a conservation officer.”

Senate Bill 2980 now requires conservation officers to have successfully completed sixty-four semester hours at an accredited community college or university or have an associate degree from an accredited community college or have passed the Law Enforcement Academy and have at least five years of experience in law enforcement.

“Education is the cornerstone on which our children build their careers, their lives and their futures,” said the Governor. “We know our children need a good, quality education to be successful in their careers and in their lives, and it is important that we have educated, well-qualified people working throughout our state.

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