

## MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR'S STAFF  
FROM: HOWARD  
DATE: 4/03/00  
SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE AGENDA ITEMS

### *Deadline for COMMITTEES to report bills originating in OTHER HOUSE Tuesday, April 4, 2000*

#### MS HOME CORP

**HB 1384** – (Morris) Mississippi Home Corporation; reconstitute membership, increase bond authority and revise conflict of interest requirements  
2/21 (H) Referred to Ways and Means  
**2/29 (H) TSDPCS; 3/10 (H) Sent to Senate; 3/16 (S) Referred to Finance;**  
**3/30 TSDPAA**

#### TAX REFORM

**SC 560** – (Horhn) Interim joint study committee; create to study Mississippi's tax code  
2/21 (S) Referred to Rules

**SC 518** - (Harden) Taxation; joint committee to study state tax system  
1/14 (S) Referred to Rules

#### WORKFORCE TRAINING

**HB 31** – (Young) Universities and community colleges; authorize courses positively impacting state's economy  
1/12 (H) Referred to Universities & Colleges; **2/23 (H) TSDP; 3/14 (H) Passed;**  
**3/15 Sent to Senate; 3/17 (S) Referred to Universities & Colleges**

**SB 2639** – (Burton) Employer training program tax credit; certified by State Board for Community/Junior Colleges  
**2/29 (S) TSDP; 3/8 (S) Passed; 3/10 (H) Referred to Univ. & Colleges; Ways and Means; 3/29 (H) TSDP UC to WM; 3/30 TSDP**

#### 85 % RULE

**HB 55** – (Ishee) Sentencing; revise 85% rule to apply only to violent offenders  
1/12 (H) Referred to Judiciary B  
**3/2 (H) TSDPCS; 3/9 (H) Tables Subject to call; 3/15 Failed; 3/15 Motion to Reconsider; 3/16 Reconsidered; 3/16 (H) Amended; 3/16 (H) Passed; 3/20 Sent to Senate; 3/22 (S) Referred to Judiciary; 3/29 (S) TSDPAA**

**SB 2800** – (Jackson) Corrections; exclude nonviolent offenders from mandatory 85% sentence  
2/16 (S) Referred to Judiciary; **3/7 (S) TSDPCS; 3/6 (S) Tabled Subject to call; 3/16 (S) Amended; 3/16 (S) Passed; 3/16 Motion to Reconsider; 3/17 Tabled; 3/20 Sent to House; 3/21 (H) Referred to Judiciary B; Penitentiary; 3/30 TSDPAA JB to PE**

### **TEACHER SHORTAGE**

**HB 294** – (McCoy) Critical Teacher Shortage Act; clarify eligibility of teachers already in areas to participate in Masters Scholarship Programs  
1/12 Referred to Education; Appropriations; **2/23 (H) DR- TSDP; ED to AP; 3/2 (H) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Sent to Senate; 3/16 (S) Referred to Education; Appropriations; 3/31 (S) TSDP ED to AP**

### **HOSPITAL CON – HINDS**

**SB 2367** – (Huggins) Health facilities; direct the issuance of a certificate of need to a certain hospital  
1/9 (S) Referred to Public Health & Welfare; Appropriations  
2/9 (S) DR – TSDPCS; PH to AP; **2/29 (S) TSDPCS; 3/14 (S) Comm Sub Adopted; 3/14 (S) Passed; 3/16 Sent to House; 3/20 (S) Referred to Public Health and Welfare; Appropriations**

### **ELECTIONS**

**HB 763** – (Reynolds) NVRA; persons registered under motor voter may vote in state elections  
**2/18 (S) Referred to Elections; 3/30 (S) TSDP**

**HB 764** – (Reynolds) Affidavit ballot; create uniform  
**2/21 (S) Referred to Elections; 3/30 (S) TSDPAA**

**HB 765** – (Reynolds) Armed Forces Absentee Ballot Law; revise  
**2/21 (S) Referred to Elections; 3/30 (S) TSDPAA**

**HB 772** – (Reynolds) Election laws; technical revisions  
**2/28 (S) Referred to Elections**

**HB 1306** – (Reynolds) Elections; technical amendments  
**3/3 (H) Passed AA; 3/3 (H) Motion to Reconsider; 3/16 (H) Tabled; 3/17 Sent to Senate; 3/21 (S) Referred to Elections**

**SB 2810** – (Tollison) Elections; make certain technical amendments to the election laws  
**3/2 (S) TSDPCS; 3/8 (S) Tabled Subject to Call; 3/16 (S) Amended; 3/16 (S) Passed; 3/20 Sent to House; 3/21 (H) Referred to Apportionment & Elections; 3/23 (H) TSDPAA; 3/29 (H) Passed AA; 3/31 Returned for Concurrence**

**SB 2812** – (Tollison) Elections; persons who register to vote under the “Motor Voter Act” may vote in state elections  
**3/2 (S) TSDP; 3/15 Passed; 3/16 Sent to House; 3/20 (H) Referred to Apportionment and Elections**

## CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

<b>HB 506</b> – (Watson)	Controlled substances; include precursors in enhancement provision 1/25 (H) Referred to Judiciary A <b>3/1 (H) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Sent to Senate; 3/13 (S) Referred to Judiciary</b>
<b>HB 642</b> – (Moody)	Controlled substances; revise Schedules II, III and IV 2/01 (H) Referred to Judiciary A; <b>2/22 (H) TSDP; 2/24 (H) Passed;</b> <b>2/25 (H) Sent to Senate; 2/25 (S) Referred to Judiciary</b>
<b>SB 2442</b> – (Tollison)	Controlled substances; enhance penalty for methamphetamine precursor violation when in possession of a weapon 1/26 (S) Referred to Judiciary; <b>2/22 (S) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Referred to Judiciary A</b>
<b>SB 2421</b> – (Huggins)	Controlled substances; revise Schedules II, III and IV 1/25 (S) Referred to Judiciary; <b>3/7 (S) TSDP; 3/15 Passed; 3/16 Sent to House;</b> <b>3/20 (H) Referred to Judiciary A</b>
<b>SB 2788</b> – (Turner)	Methamphetamine; revise precursor prohibition <b>3/3 (S) TSDPCS; 3/14 (S) Comm Sub Adopted; 3/14 (S) Passed; 3/16 Sent to House; 3/20 (H) Referred to Judiciary A</b>
<b>HB 880</b> – (Watson)	Controlled Substances Law; revise precursor provision <b>2/25 (S) Referred to Judiciary</b>

## POULTRY

<b>HB 1444</b> – (Miles)	Mississippi Poultry Best Practices Act; create 2/21 (H) Referred to Agriculture; <b>3/7 (H) TSDPCS; 3/14 (H) Failed; 3/14 (H) Motion to Reconsider; 3/15 Reconsidered; 3/15 Passed AA; 3/17 Sent to Senate; 3/22 (S) Referred to Agriculture; 3/27 (S) TSDPAA; 3/31 (S) Rereferred to Appropriations</b>
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## CAPITAL POST CONVICTION COUNSEL

<b>HB 1228</b> – (Watson)	Office of Capital Post-Conviction Counsel; create 2/21 (H) Referred to Judiciary A; Appropriations <b>3/1 (H) DR – TSDPCS; JA to AP; 3/7 (H) TSDPCS; 3/13 (H) Passed; 3/13 (H) Motion to reconsider; 3/16 Reconsidered; 3/16 (H) Amended; 3/16 (H) Passed; 3/20 Sent to Senate; 3/22 (S) Referred to Judiciary; Appropriations; 3/29 (S) TSDPAA JU to AP</b>
<b>SB 2537</b> – (Gordon)	Capital Post-Conviction Counsel; create office of 2/3 (S) Referred to Judiciary; Appropriations; <b>2/17 (S) DR – TSDP; JU to AP; 2/17 (S) TSDP; 2/18 (S) Passed; 2/21 (S) Motion to Reconsider Entered; 3/2 Motion Tabled; 3/2 Sent to the House; 3/8 (H) Referred to Judiciary A; Appropriations; 3/29 (H) TSDP JA to AP; TSDPAA AP to JA; 3/31 (H) TSDPAA</b>

## SUPERINTENDENTS – APPOINT, SCHOOL BOARDS – ELECT

**HB 87** – (Howell) Superintendent of education, county; prohibit voters in certain school districts from voting in election for.  
**3/3 (H) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Passed; 3/13 Sent to Senate; 3/17 (S) Referred to Finance; 3/31 (S) TSDPAA**

## SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS

**DEAD**

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

**SB 2906** – (Furniss) MS Emergency Management Agency; authorize local organizations to apply for matching funds  
**3/2 (S) TSDPCS; 3/15 Passed CSA AA; 3/17 Sent to House; 3/20 (H) Referred to Military Affairs**

## HEALTH INSURANCE

**SB 2803** – (Kirby) State and Public School Employees Health Insurance Board; revise composition  
**2/24 (S) TSDPCS; 3/10 (S) Sent to House; 3/13 (H) Referred to Insurance**

## CHIP

**HB 1469** – (Holland) Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP); reduce eligibility waiting period and conduct outreach campaign  
2/21 Referred to Public Health and Welfare; Appropriations  
**3/2 (S) DR – TSDPCS – PH to AP; 3/7 (H) TSDPCS; 3/13 (H) Passed; 3/15 Sent to Senate; 3/16 (S) Referred to Public Health & Welfare; Appropriations; 3/29 TSDP PH to AP**

## COMPUTER BILL

**HB 1486** – (Warren) School Ad Valorem Tax Reduction Fund; cap at FY 2000 appropriated levels with excess going to Education Enhancement Fund  
2/21 Referred to Education; Ways and Means; **3/6 (H) DR-TSDP – ED to WM; 3/7 (H) TSDP; 3/13 (H) Amended; 3/13 (H) Passed AA; 3/15 Sent to Senate; 3/16 (S) Referred to Finance; 3/23 (S) TSDPAA**

**SB 2423** – (Chaney) School Ad Valorem Tax Reduction Fund; cap at FY 2000 appropriated levels with excess going to Education Enhancement Fund  
1/25 (S) Referred to Finance; **2/10 (S) TSDPCS; 3/15 Passed CSA AA; 3/17 Sent to House; 3/20 (H) Referred to Education; Ways and Means;**

## 3/30 TSDPAA ED to WM

### THREE PHASE BUILDING

**HB 1305** – (Brown) Public property; require DFA to prepare five-year capital improvements plan, require certain projects to be funded in three phases  
2/21 (H) Referred to Public Buildings, Grounds and Lands; **3/6 (H) TSDPCS; 3/10 (H) Passed; 3/14 Sent to Senate; 3/17 (S) Referred to Public Property; Finance**

### HEALTH CARE

**HB 729** – (Frierson) Physicians; create medical education scholarships at UMMC to practice family medicine in rural areas  
2/9 (H) Referred to Universities & Colleges; Appropriations  
2/23 (H) DR – TSDPAA; UC to AP; **3/2 (H) DR – TSDPCS; AP to UC; 3/7 (H) TSDPCS; 3/14 (H) Amended; 3/14 (H) Passed CSA AA; 3/16 Sent to Senate; 3/17 (S) Referred to Universities & Colleges; Appropriations; 3/29 TSDPAA UC to AP**

**SC 539** – (Scoper) Joint Committee to Study the Establishment of Out-Patient Clinics in Underserved Rural Areas of the state; create  
2/8 (S) Referred to Rules

**SB 2846** – (Huggins) “Patient Protection Act”; transfer administration from MS Department of Insurance to MS Department of Health  
**3/14 (S) Passed; 3/15 Sent to House; 3/16 (H) Referred to Insurance**

**SB 2861** – (Harden) School nurse intervention program; reenact and extend for one year  
**3/7 (S) TSDP; 3/14 (S) Passed; 3/15 Sent to House; 3/16 (H) Referred to Public Health & Welfare; Appropriations**

**SB 2869** – (Huggins) Medicaid program eligibility and reimbursable services; bring forward  
**3/7 (S) TSDPCS; 3/15 (S) Comm Sub Adopted; 3/15 (S) Passed; 3/17 Sent to House; 3/20 (H) Referred to Public Health and Welfare; Appropriations**

**HB 551** – (Clarke) Smoking; prohibit in all state buildings except in designated areas  
**2/9 (S) Referred to Public Health and Welfare**

**HB 641** – (Moody) Tobacco; prohibit use by adults on educational property  
**3/1 (H) TSDPCS; 3/9 (H) Motion to Reconsider Entered; 3/16 (H) Reconsidered; 3/16 (H) Amended; 3/16 (H) Passed; 3/20 Sent to Senate; 3/23 (S) Referred to Public Health & Welfare**

**HB 846** – (Moody) Physician assistants; provide for licensure and regulation of  
2/9 (H) Referred to Public Health and Welfare; **2/22 (H) TSDPAA; 3/1 (H) Amended; 3/1 (H) Passed as Amended; 3/3 (H) Sent to Senate; 3/6 (S) Referred to Public Health and Welfare; 3/28 (S) TSDP**

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**HB 546** – (Ford) Mississippi Business Finance Corporation; extend repealer on authority to issue bonds to finance economic development projects  
**2/21 (S) Referred to Finance; 3/21 (S) TSDP**

**HB 838** – (Shows) Mississippi Business Investment Act; revise projects for which assistance may be provided and increase amount of bonds authorized under

- 3/2 (H) TSDPCS; 3/10 (H) Sent to Senate; 3/16 (S) Referred to Finance; 3/23 (S) TSDPAA**
- HB 1152** – (Davis) Economic Development Highway Act; revise definition of “high economic benefit project”  
**3/6 (H) TSDP; 3/13 (H) Passed; 3/14 Sent to Senate; 3/17 (S) Sent to Highways and Transportation; Finance; 3/29 TSDP HI to FI; 3/30 TSDP**
- HB 1347** – (Morris) Small Business Assistance Act; extend repealer and revise certain provisions (DECD)  
**2/29 (H) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Sent to Senate; 3/13 (S) Referred to Finance**
- HB 1371** – (Morris) Major Economic Impact Act; clarify duties of authority (DECD)  
**2/29 (H) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Sent to Senate; 3/13 (S) Referred to Finance**
- HB 1681** – (Morris) Bonds; increase amount of bonds authorized for certain economic development programs and revise use of certain bond proceeds.  
**3/23 (H) TSDP; 3/23 (H) Passed; 3/24 Sent to Senate; 3/24 (S) Referred to Finance**
- SB 2661** – (King) Economic Development Highway Act; revise definition of “high economic development benefit project”  
**3/7 (S) TSDP; 3/13 (S) Passed; 3/14 Sent to House; 3/16 (H) Referred to Transportation; Ways & Means**
- SB 3166** – (Horhn) Special Task Force for Economic Development Planning; require heads of state institutions of higher learning to assist  
**2/28 (S) TSDPCS; 3/9 (S) Passed; 3/13 Sent to House; 3/21 (H) Referred to Education and Ways and Means**

## **REPAIR AND RENOVATION**

- HB 1679** – (Smith 39<sup>th</sup>) Bonds; issue bonds for IHL and community/junior colleges repair and renovation  
**3/23 (H) TSDP; 3/23 (H) Passed; 3/24 Sent to Senate; 3/24 (S) Referred to Finance**
- HB 1680** - (Smith 39<sup>th</sup>) Bonds; issue bonds for various state capital improvements and repair and renovation  
**3/23 (H) TSDP; 3/23 (H) Passed; 3/24 Sent to Senate; 3/24 (S) Referred to Finance**

## **GOVERNOR’S APPOINTMENTS**

- HB 414** – (Holland) Mississippi Egg Marketing Board; revise membership of  
**2/24 (S) Referred to Agriculture**
- HB 1450** – (Fredricks) Physical Therapy Board; create to licensure physical therapists, and transfer current licensure powers from Board of Health  
**2/24 (H) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Sent to Senate; 3/13 (S) Referred to Public Health and Welfare; Appropriations**
- HB 1383** – (Malone) State Parole Board; abolish the terms of office of members and extend the date of the repealer for two years  
**2/24 (H) TSDP; 3/8 (H) Amended; 3/8 (H) Passed As Amended; 3/13 Sent to Senate; 3/16 (S) Referred to Judiciary**
- SB 2776** – (Huggins) Executive Director, Division of Medicaid; prescribe qualifications of

**SB 2556** – (Stogner) 2/22 (S) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Referred to Public Health and Welfare  
Mississippi Egg Marketing Board; revise membership of  
2/29 (S) TSDP; 3/9 (S) Motion to Reconsider Entered; 3/14 (S) Tabled;  
3/14 Sent to House; 3/16 (H) Referred to Agriculture

## ABORTION

**HB 923** – Killing of a fetus; clarify that such action shall constitute a crime  
(Robinson 84) 3/2 (H) TSDP; 3/9 (H) Motion to Reconsider Entered; 3/16 (H) Tabled; 3/17  
Sent to Senate; 3/21 (S) Referred to Public Health and Welfare

## EDUCATION

**HB 310** – (Jennings) Public schools; authorize display of Ten Commandments in classrooms and other areas  
3/2 (H) TSDP; 3/9 (H) Amended; 3/9 (H) Passed as Amended; 3/9 (H) MRC;  
3/16 (H) Tabled; 3/17 Sent to Senate; 3/22 (S) Referred to Judiciary

**HB 659** – (Fillingane) Public school classroom; authorize brief period of quiet reflection  
3/2 (H) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Sent to Senate; 3/16 (S) Referred to Education

**HB 776** – (Warren) Suspension or expulsion; clarify authority regarding students whose presence is detrimental to educational environment  
3/2 (H) TSDP; 3/9 (H) Amended; 3/9 (H) Passed as Amended; 3/13 Sent to  
Senate; 3/16 (S) Referred to Education; 3/31 (S) TSDP

**HB 902** – (Warren) School Safety Center and Crisis Management Program; establish in State Department of Education  
3/7 (H) TSDP; 3/13 (H) Passed; 3/14 Sent to Senate; 3/16 (S) Referred to  
Education; Appropriations; 3/31 (S) TSDPAA ED to AP

**HB 1039** – (Warren) School security personnel; require minimum level of basic law enforcement training  
3/7 (H) TSDPCS; 3/13 (H) Passed; 3/13 (H) Passed CSA; 3/15 Sent to Senate;  
3/17 (S) Referred to Education; Judiciary

**HB 1264** – (Gadd) Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition (MPACT) Program; expand board's investment authority  
3/2 (H) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Sent to Senate; 3/17 (S) Referred to Universities &  
Colleges

**HB 1262** – (Gadd) Mississippi Affordable College Savings (MACS) Program; create  
3/2 (H) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Passed; 3/13 Sent to Senate; 3/17 (S) Referred to  
Universities & Colleges; Appropriations

**SB 2298** – (Hewes) Mississippi Affordable College Savings Program; establish  
2/29 (S) TSDPCS; 3/10 (S) Sent to House; 3/13 (H) Referred to Univ. &  
Colleges; Ways and Means; 3/29 (H) TSDPAA UC to WM; 3/30 TSDPAA

**SB 2302** – (Harden) School districts; authorize pre-kindergarten pilot program in public schools  
3/3 (S) Sent to House; 3/8 (H) Referred to Education and Appropriations

**SB 2491** – (Harden) School board members; prescribe educational qualifications  
3/2 (S) TSDPCS; 3/9 (S) Amended; 3/9 (S) Passed as Amended; 3/13 Sent to  
House; 3/16 (S) Referred to Education

**SB 2918** – (Hewes) Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition Program, define investment authority  
**2/28 (S) TSDP; 3/10 (S) Sent to House; 3/13 (H) Referred to Univ. and Colleges; 3/29 (H) TSDPAA; 3/30 Passed AA; 3/31 Returned for Concurrence**

## **SCHOOL SAFETY**

**SB 2597** – (Harden) School district security personnel with police power; require minimum training standards  
**3/7 (S) TSDP; 3/15 Passed; 3/16 Sent to House; 3/20 (H) Referred to Education; Judiciary B**

**SB 2522** – (Harden) Immunity of school personnel from liability for lawful action; add school counselors to  
**3/7 (S) TSDP; 3/15 Passed; 3/16 Sent to House; 3/20 (H) Referred to Education**

**SB 2528** – (Harden) School Safety Center and Crisis Management Program; establish in State Dept. of Education  
**3/7 (S) TSDPCS; 3/14 (S) Comm Sub Adopted; 3/14 (S) Tabled; 3/16 (S) Amended; 3/16 (S) Passed; 3/20 Sent to House; 3/21 (H) Referred to Education; Appropriations; 3/30 TSDPAA ED to AP**

## **STATE GOVERNMENT**

**HC 70** – (Formby) HCR; study committee on delivery of government services using electronic media  
**2/21 (H) Referred to Rules**

**HB 1389** – (Ford) Ceiling on salaries; exempt DECD Director and Governor's Chief of Staff  
**3/2 (H) TSDPCS; 3/9 (H) Passed; 3/13 Sent to Senate; 3/17 Sent to Senate**

**SC 550** – (Chaney) E-Government Committee to study feasibility of electronic government services; authorize  
**3/3 (H) Referred to Rules**

## **GAMING**

**HB 881** – (Capps) State universities and community or junior colleges; authorize to offer certain courses  
**3/2 (H) TSDP; (H) Failed; (H) Motion to Reconsider Entered; 3/16 (H) Reconsidered; 3/16 (H) Passed; 3/17 Sent to Senate; 3/22 (S) Referred to Universities and Colleges**

## **CRIME**

**HB 1000** – (Malone) Corrections; revise certain provisions regarding operations  
**3/7 (H) TSDPCS; 3/13 Passed; 3/15 Sent to Senate; 3/17 (S) Referred to Corrections; Appropriations; 3/29 (S) TSDP CR to AP**

**SB 2111** – (Jackson) Gangs; establish Task Force  
**3/7 (S) TSDP; 3/10 (S) Passed; 3/14 Sent to House; 3/16 (H) Referred to Juvenile Justice; Appropriations; 3/30 TSDPAA JJ to AP**



## **RESPECT IN SCHOOLS**

**HB 581** – (Woods) Public school students; require use of appropriate titles of respect with school employees  
1/27 (H) Referred to Education  
**3/2 (H) TSDPCS; 3/9 (H) Amended; 3/9 (H) Passed as Amended; 3/13 Sent to Senate; 3/17 (S) Referred to Education**