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AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-13-137, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE THE OFFICE OF HEALTHY SCHOOLS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE TRAINING ON CERTAIN FOOD SERVICE PRACTICES PROVIDED BY LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS; TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT TO DETERMINE THE TIME, LOCATION AND FREQUENCY WITH WHICH THE TRAININGS ARE HELD; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN DISTRICT PERSONNEL TO ATTEND THE TRAININGS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 37-13-137, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

37-13-137. (1) The State Board of Education shall adopt regulations as provided in this section not later than March 1, 2008, which shall be effective for compliance by school districts beginning with the 2008-2009 school year, for the Child Nutrition School Breakfast and Lunch Programs that are not in conflict with the regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). The regulations shall take into account the most recent and advanced scientific principles regarding good human health and fitness, and the effect of the regulations must be that the good health, well-being and fitness of Mississippi school children shall be advanced. The regulations shall include, but not be limited to, the following areas:

- (a) Healthy food and beverage choices;
- (b) Healthy food preparation;
- (c) Marketing of healthy food choices to students and staff;
- (d) Food preparation ingredients and products;
- (e) Minimum and maximum time allotment for students and staff lunch and breakfast periods;

(f) The availability of food items during the lunch and breakfast periods of the Child Nutrition School Breakfast and Lunch Programs; and

(g) Methods to increase participation in the Child Nutrition School Breakfast and Lunch Programs.

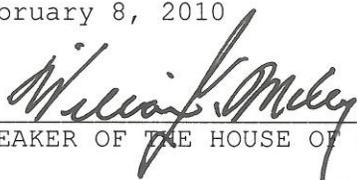
(2) The Office of Healthy Schools of the State Department of Education shall provide comprehensive training for superintendents, business managers, food service directors and food service managers of a local school district, or the designees appointed by those individuals for training purposes, as required by the department on marketing healthy foods, creating a healthy cafeteria environment, effective and efficient food service operations, the standards and expectations of food service staff, and other topics as identified by the department. The department may determine the time and location of the trainings and the frequency with which they are held. Persons employed by a local school district having the certification as a Food Service Administrator III or IV shall be exempt from the training requirements of this subsection.

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(3) Local school districts may adopt rules and regulations that may be more stringent but not in conflict with those adopted by the State Board of Education under this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2010.

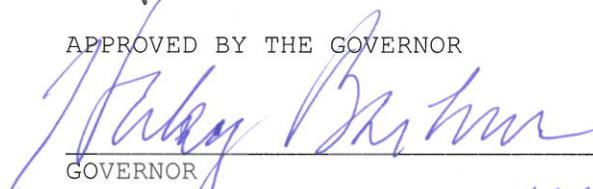
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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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