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SENATE BILL NO. 2371

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AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-1-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE PROVISION OF LAW THAT PROHIBITS THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES PERSONNEL FROM TAKING AN ACTIVE PART IN ELECTION CAMPAIGNS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

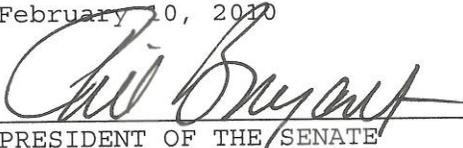
SECTION 1. Section 43-1-13, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

43-1-13. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2) of this section, it shall be unlawful for a commissioner or any other employee of the state or county welfare departments to take an active part in any partisan political campaign. For violation of this provision the offending party shall be removed from office and in addition thereto, upon conviction, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, subject to a fine of not more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).

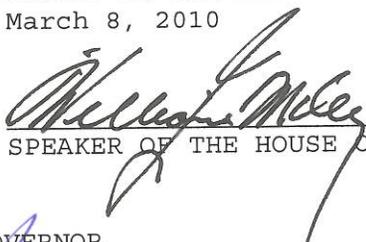
(2) This section shall not preclude an individual from seeking elective office where the office sought is nonpartisan and is not within the judicial branch of government.

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

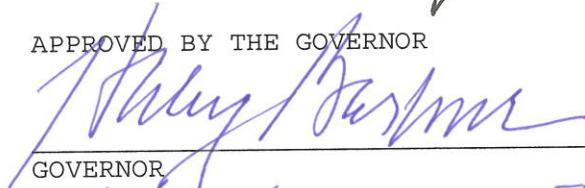
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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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