

## MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR'S STAFF  
FROM: HOWARD  
DATE: 4/12/00  
SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE AGENDA ITEMS

### *Deadline for FLOOR ACTION on bills originating in OTHER HOUSE TODAY, Wednesday, April 12, 2000*

#### TEACHER PAY RAISE

**SC 616** – (Little) Susp rules-Teacher-Opportunity Program; increase funding for teachers' salaries over 6-year period based on projected revenue growth.  
4/3 (S) Referred to Rules; **4/5 (S) TSDBA**

**HB 1134** – (Broomfield) Incentive grants for improving schools and accountability plan for low-performing schools; establish.  
**4/11 (S) Passed AA**

#### 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 (S) 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  
***DEAD***

**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 (H) TSDP; 4/5 Passed; 4/6 Transmitted to Senate**

### **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; 4/6 (S) Passed AA; 4/7 Returned for Concurrence**

**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; 4/4 (H) TSDPAA; 4/6 (H) Passed AA; 4/6 Motion to Reconsider; 4/10 Tabled; 4/11 Returned for Concurrence

### **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 (H) Referred to Education; Appropriations; 3/31 (S) TSDP ED to AP; 4/3 (S) TSDP; 4/5 Passed; 4/6 Transmitted to House; **DUE FROM GOVERNOR 4/17/00**

### **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; 4/5 Passed; 4/6 Transmitted to House**

**HB 764** – (Reynolds) Affidavit ballot; create uniform  
**2/21 (S) Referred to Elections; 3/30 (S) TSDPAA; 4/5 Passed AA; 4/6 Returned for Concurrence**

**HB 765** – (Reynolds) Armed Forces Absentee Ballot Law; revise  
**2/21 (S) Referred to Elections; 3/30 (S) TSDPAA; 4/5 Passed AA; 4/6 Returned for Concurrence**

**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; 4/5 Invite Conf.**

**SB 2812** – (Tollison) Elections; persons who register to vote under the “Motor Voter Act” may vote in state elections

***DEAD***

### **CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

<b>HB 506</b> – (Watson)	Controlled substances; include precursors in enhancement provision 1/25 (H) Referred to Judiciary A <b><i>DEAD</i></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; 2/25 (H) Sent to Senate; 2/25 (S) Referred to Judiciary; 4/4 (S) TSDP; 4/6 (S) Passed; 4/7 Transmitted to House</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; 4/4 (H) TSDP; 4/5 Tabled Subject to Call; 4/11 (H) Passed</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; 3/20 (H) Referred to Judiciary A; 4/4 (H) TSDP; 4/5 Tabled Subject to Call</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; 4/4 (H) TSDP; 4/5 Tabled Subject to Call</b>
<b>HB 880</b> – (Watson)	Controlled Substances Law; revise precursor provision <b>2/25 (S) Referred to Judiciary; 4/4 (S) TSDPAA; 4/6 (S) Passed AA; 4/7 Returned for Concurrence</b>

### **POULTRY**

**HB 1444** – (Miles) Mississippi Poultry Best Practices Act; create  
2/21 (H) Referred to Agriculture; **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; 4/4 (S) TSDPAA**

### **CAPITAL POST CONVICTION COUNSEL**

**HB 1228** – (Watson) Office of Capital Post-Conviction Counsel; create  
2/21 (H) Referred to Judiciary A; Appropriations  
**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; 4/3 (S) TSDPAA; 4/7 Passed AA; 4/10 Returned for Concurrence**

**SB 2537** – (Gordon) Capital Post-Conviction Counsel; create office of  
2/3 (S) Referred to Judiciary; Appropriations;  
**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; 4/5 Passed AA; 4/7 Returned for Concurrence**

### **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; 4/5 Passed AA; 4/6 Returned for Concurrence**

### **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; 4/4 (H) TSDP; 4/5 Passed; 4/6 Transmitted to Senate**

### **HEALTH INSURANCE**

**SB 2803** – (Kirby) State and Public School Employees Health Insurance Board; revise composition  
***DEAD***

### **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; 4/3 (S) TSDP**

### **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; 4/5 Passed AA; 4/6 Returned for Concurrence**

**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; 4/S (H) TSDPAA; 4/5 Passed AA; 4/7 Returned for Concurrence**

### **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  
**DEAD**

### **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; 4/3 (S) TSDPAA; 4/5 Passed AA; 4/6 Returned for Concurrence**

**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  
**DEAD**

**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; 4/4 (H) TSDP; 4/5 Passed; 4/6 Transmitted to Senate**

**SB 2869** – (Huggins) Medicaid program eligibility and reimbursable services; bring forward  
**DEAD**

**HB 551** – (Clarke) Smoking; prohibit in all state buildings except in designated areas  
**2/9 (S) Referred to Public Health and Welfare; 4/4 (S) TSDPAA**

**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 Referred to Public Health & Welfare; 4/4 (S) TSDPAA; 4/11 Passed AA**

**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; 4/11 Passed**

## **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; 4/5 Passed; 4/6 Transmitted to House**
- 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; 4/7 (S) Passed AA; 4/10 Returned for Concurrence**
- 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 (S) TSDP; 4/6 Passed; 4/7 Transmitted to House**
- HB 1347** – (Morris) Small Business Assistance Act; extend repealer and revise certain provisions (DECD)  
**DEAD**
- HB 1371** – (Morris) Major Economic Impact Act; clarify duties of authority (DECD)  
**DEAD**
- 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”  
**DEAD**
- SB 3166** – (Horhn) Special Task Force for Economic Development Planning; require heads of state institutions of higher learning to assist  
**DEAD**

## **REPAIR AND RENOVATION**

- HB 1678** - Bonds; issue bonds for IHL capital improvements.  
(Smith 39<sup>th</sup>) **3/23 (H) Passed AA; 3/24 Sent to Senate; 3/24 (S) Referred to Finance**
- HB 1679** – Bonds; issue bonds for IHL and community/junior colleges repair and renovation  
(Smith 39<sup>th</sup>) **3/23 (H) TSDP; 3/23 (H) Passed; 3/24 Sent to Senate; 3/24 (S) Referred to Finance**
- HB 1680** - Bonds; issue bonds for various state capital improvements and repair and  
(Smith 39<sup>th</sup>) renovation  
**3/23 (H) TSDP; 3/23 (H) Passed; 3/24 Sent to Senate; 3/24 (S) Referred to Finance; 4/6 (S) TSDPAA; 4/11 Passed AA**
- SB 3315** – (Minor) Bonds; issue general obligation bonds for capital improvements for state agencies and community colleges.  
**3/29 (S) Passed AA; 3/31 Sent to House; 4/04 (H) Referred to Ways and Means**

## GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS

- HB 414** – (Holland) Mississippi Egg Marketing Board; revise membership of  
**DEAD**
- HB 1450** – (Fredricks) Physical Therapy Board; create to licensure physical therapists, and transfer current  
licensure powers from Board of Health  
**DEAD**
- 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; 4/4 (S) TSDPAA; 4/6 (S) Passed AA; 4/7 Returned for Concurrence**
- SB 2776** – (Huggins) Executive Director, Division of Medicaid; prescribe qualifications of  
**2/22 (S) TSDP; 3/10 (H) Referred to Public Health and Welfare; 4/4 (H) TSDPAA; 4/6 (H) Passed AA; 4/7 Returned for Concurrence**
- SB 2556** – (Stogner) 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; 4/4 (H) TSDP; 4/6 (H) Passed; 4/7 Transmitted to Senate; DUE FROM GOVERNOR 4/17/00**

## 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; 4/5 Passed AA; 4/6 Returned for Concurrence**
- 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; 4/3 (S) TSDPAA; 4/5 Passed AA; 4/6 Returned for Concurrence**
- 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; 4/4 (S) TSDP; 4/5 Passed; 4/6 Transmitted to House**
- HB 1264** – (Gadd) Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition (MPACT) Program; expand  
board's investment authority  
**DEAD**
- HB 1262** – (Gadd) Mississippi Affordable College Savings (MACS) Program; create  
**DEAD**
- 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 (H) TSDPAA; 4/5 Passed AA; 4/7 Returned for Concurrence**

- SB 2302** – (Harden) School districts; authorize pre-kindergarten pilot program in public schools  
**DEAD**
- SB 2491** – (Harden) School board members; prescribe educational qualifications  
**DEAD**
- 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; 4/5 Concur**

### **SCHOOL SAFETY**

- SB 2597** – (Harden) School district security personnel with police power; require minimum training standards  
**DEAD**
- SB 2522** – (Harden) Immunity of school personnel from liability for lawful action; add school counselors to  
**DEAD**
- 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; 4/4 (H)TSDPAA; **4/5 Passed AA; 4/6 Returned for Concurrence**

### **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 Referred to Appropriations; 4/4 (S) TSDP**
- 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

***DEAD***

**CRIME**

**HB 1000** – (Malone) Corrections; revise certain provisions regarding operations

***DEAD***

**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; 4/4 (H) TSDPAA; 4/5 Passed AA; 4/10 Returned for Concurrence**

**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; 4/4 (S) TSDP; 4/6 (S) Passed; 4/7 Transmitted to House; DUE FROM GOVERNOR 4/17/00**

**CON – HINDS**

**HB 1386** – (Reynolds) CON for nursing facility beds; county-owned hospitals have priority in receiving.

**4/11 (S) Passed AA**

**RESPECT IN SCHOOLS**

**HB 581** – (Woods) Public school students; require use of appropriate titles of respect with school employees

***DEAD***