

BILL #, DATE OF VOTE

EXPLANATION OF THE BILL

SB 2189 (1/16/2013)

Senator Tollison authored Senate Bill 2189, the original version of the *Mississippi Charter Schools Act of 2013* that Mississippi First was heavily involved in writing. This version passed the Senate floor but died in the House.

HB 369 (1/24/2013)

Representative Moore authored House Bill 369, a modified version of Senate Bill 2189. It passed the House floor in an after-midnight vote following an hours-long debate.

HB 369 Conference Report (4/2/2013)

The House Bill 369 Conference Report was unchanged from the original HB 369. **This version of the *Mississippi Charter Schools Act of 2013* was signed into law on 4/17/2013.**

HB 455 (3/11/2014)

Minor changes to the qualifications of the Executive Director of the Mississippi Charter School Authorizer Board were in this bill, which primarily included changes to Mississippi's *New Start School Law* and related codes that were sought by the Mississippi Department of Education. As a result, many legislators voted for this bill who are opposed to charter schools. **It was signed into law on 3/31/2014.**

HB 859 (2/10/2015)

This bill corrected technical problems with the funding provisions of the charter law. It improved the calculation of local and state funding as well as imposed a penalty for local school districts that withhold local funding from charter schools. **It was signed into law on 3/31/2015.**

SB2161 (3/1/2016)

This bill contains several changes to the charter school law. These changes include 1) allowing students from "C," "D," or "F" school districts to attend a charter school in another school district and provide for their support through state funds, 2) allowing charter schools to give enrollment preferences to underserved students in order to meet their required composition, 3) clarifying the provision of state and local funds for all students in charter schools and revising the deadline for an annual audit from each charter school, 4) requiring charter high school students to meet or exceed graduation requirements set by the Mississippi Department of Education, 5) allowing up-to-25% of a charter school's teachers three years to achieve state certification from their date of hire, provided each teacher has a bachelor's degree and can demonstrate subject-matter competency, 6) making charter school teachers eligible for PERS, 7) requiring districts to lease or sell at fair market value the facility of a conversion charter school, 8) enabling charter schools to access the Public School Building Fund on the same basis as traditional school districts, 9) making it illegal for a district to take unlawful reprisal action against employees directly or indirectly involved in charter school applications, and 10) deleting the repealer on the charter school law. **It was signed into law on 4/14/2016.**

HB 1044 (3/1/2016)

This bill allowed crossing district lines as well as changes to funding to enable crossing district lines. It passed the House but died in the Senate as it was not as comprehensive as SB 2161.

HB 1043 (3/3/2016)

This bill fixes an error in the original charter school law pertaining to certification for charter school teachers. The bill gives charter school teachers 3 years to become state certified from their date of hire, instead of the date of the school opening. Charter teachers must still have a bachelor's degree and demonstrate subject-matter competency, and at least 75% of a charter school's teachers must be state certified at all times. It passed the House but died in the Senate as it was not as comprehensive as SB 2161.

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Juan	Barnett	Heidelberg	D						absent	yes	no
Barbara	Blackmon	Canton	D						no	no	no
Kevin	Blackwell	Southaven	R						yes	yes	yes
David	Blount	Jackson	D	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Jenifer	Branning	Philadelphia	R						yes	yes	yes
Nickey	Browning	Pontotoc	R	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Hob	Bryan	Amory	D	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no
Terry	Burton	Newton	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Albert	Butler	Port Gibson	D	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	no	no
Videt	Carmichael	Meridian	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	absent	absent
Chris	Caughman	Mendenhall	R						yes	yes	yes
Lydia	Chassaniol	Winona	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Eugene	Clarke	Hollandale	R	*yes (pair with Massey)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Deborah	Dawkins	Pass Christian	D	no	no	no	absent	no	no	no	no
Bob	Dearing	Natchez	D						no	no	no
Dennis	DeBar, Jr.*	Leakesville	R						yes	absent	no
Sally	Doty	Brookhaven	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Joey	Fillingane	Sumrall	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Hillman	Frazier	Jackson	D	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Tommy	Gollott	Biloxi	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Josh	Harkins	Flowood	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Angela	Hill	Picayune	R	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
Briggs	Hopson	Vicksburg	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	absent	yes
John	Horhn	Jackson	D	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Billy	Hudson	Hattiesburg	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Gary	Jackson	French Camp	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	absent

*Senator Dennis DeBar, Jr., served in the Mississippi House of Representatives from 2012-2016. Only his votes as a senator are reflected on this document.

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Robert	Jackson	Marks	D	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Sampson	Jackson, II	Preston	D	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
Russell	Jolly	Houston	D	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
David	Jordan	Greenwood	D	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Dean	Kirby	Pearl	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Chris	Massey	Nesbit	R	*no (pair with Clarke)	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	absent	no
Chris	McDaniel	Ellisville	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Chad	McMahan	Guntown	R						no	no	no
Walter	Michel	Madison	R							no	no
Philip	Moran	Kiln	R	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	absent	yes
Sollie	Norwood	Jackson	D		no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
David	Parker	Olive Branch	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Rita	Parks	Corinth	R	yes	absent	yes	yes	no	yes	absent	yes
John	Polk	Hattiesburg	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Joseph (Mike)	Seymour	Vandervee	R						yes	no	no
Derrick	Simmons	Greenville	D	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Willie	Simmons	Cleveland	D	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Bill	Stone	Holly Springs	D	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Sean	Tindell	Gulfport	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	absent	yes
Gray	Tollison	Oxford	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Angela	Turner	West Point	D		no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Michael	Watson	Pascagoula	R	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
Brice	Wiggins	Pascagoula	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
J.P.	Wilemon, Jr.	Belmont	D	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no
Tammy	Witherspoon	McComb	D						no	no	no
Charles	Younger	Columbus	R					yes	yes	yes	yes

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Shane	Aguirre	Tupelo	R							no	yes	no
Jeramey	Anderson	Moss Point	D			yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
William Tracy	Arnold	Booneville	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Willie	Bailey	Greenville	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Nick	Bain	Corinth	D	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no
Mark	Baker	Brandon	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Earle	Banks	Jackson	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
David	Baria	Bay St. Louis	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Toby	Barker	Hattiesburg	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Shane	Barnett	Waynesboro	R							yes	yes	yes
Manly	Barton	Moss Point	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Charles Jim	Beckett	Bruce	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	absent
Donnie	Bell (21)	Fulton	R	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no
Christoper	Bell (65)	Jackson	D							no	no	no
Richard	Bennett	Long Beach	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes
Ed	Blackmon, Jr.	Canton	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Joel	Bomgar	Madison	R							yes	yes	yes
C. Scott	Bounds	Philadelphia	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Randy	Boyd	Mantachie	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Chris	Brown	Aberdeen	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	absent
Cedric	Burnett	Tunica	D					no	no	no	no	no
Charles	Busby	Pascagoula	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Larry	Byrd	Petal	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Credell	Calhoun	Jackson	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Kimberly	Campbell*	Jackson	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	absent	no	no
Lester	Carpenter	Burnsville	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Gary	Chism	Columbus	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Bryant	Clark	Pickens	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	absent	no	no	no

*Kimberly Campbell is no longer serving as a representative.

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Alyce	Clarke	Jackson	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Angela	Cockerham	Magnolia	D	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes
Linda	Coleman*	Mound Bayou	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no	
Carolyn	Crawford	Pass Christian	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Dana	Criswell	Olive Branch	R							yes	yes	yes
Becky	Currie	Brookhaven	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	absent	yes
Scott	DeLano	Biloxi	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Bill	Denny	Jackson	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Oscar	Denton	Vicksburg	D			yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Deborah	Dixon	Raymond	D	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Jarvis	Dortch	Raymond	D							no	no	no
Tyrone	Ellis	Starkville	D	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no
Dan	Eubanks	Walls	R							yes	yes	yes
Casey	Eure	Biloxi	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Michael	Evans (45)	Preston	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	no
Bob	Evans (91)	Monticello	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	voting present	no
John	Faulkner	Holly Springs	D			yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Mark	Formby	Picayune	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	absent	yes	yes	yes	yes
Robert	Foster	Jackson	R							yes	yes	yes
Herb	Frierson*	Poplarville	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Karl	Gibbs	West Point	D			yes	yes	no	yes	no	no	no
Andy	Gipson	Braxton	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Jeffrey	Guice	Ocean Springs	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Philip	Gunn	Clinton	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Jeff	Hale	Nesbit	R							yes	yes	no
Greg	Haney	Gulfport	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no

*Linda Coleman and Herb Frierson are no longer serving as representatives.

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Ashley	Henley	Southhaven	R							yes	yes	yes
John	Hines	Greenville	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Steve	Holland	Plantersville	D	no	no	absent	yes	no	absent	no	no	no
Gregory	Holloway	Hazlehurst	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	absent	no	no	no
Joey	Hood	Ackerman	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Steve	Hopkins	Southhaven	R							yes	yes	yes
Kevin	Horan	Grenada	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Steve	Horne	Meridian	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Mac	Huddleston (15)	Pontotoc	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Robert	Huddleston (30)	Sumner	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Jay	Hughes, Jr.	Oxford	D							no	no	no
Lataisha	Jackson	Como	D			yes	present	yes	no	no	no	no
Chris	Johnson (87)	Hattiesburg	R							yes	yes	yes
Robert	Johnson (94)	Natchez	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Kabir	Karriem	Columbus	D							no	no	no
Bill	Kinkade	Byhalia	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Timmy	Ladner	Poplarville	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Trey	Lamar	Senatobia	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Vince	Mangold	Jackson	R							yes	yes	yes
Steve	Massengill	Hickory Flat	R	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no
Doug	McLeod	Lucedale	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Roun	McNeal	Leakesville	R							yes	no	yes
Nolan	Mettetal	Sardis	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Carl	Mickens	Brooksville	D							no	no	no
Chuck	Middleton	Port Gibson	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Tom	Miles	Forest	D	no	no	yes	yes	absent	no	no	no	no
Sam	Mims	McComb	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Alex	Monsour	Vicksburg	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
John	Moore	Brandon	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

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Ken	Morgan	Morgantown	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
David	Myers	McComb	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Karl	Oliver	Winona	R							yes	yes	yes
Orlando	Paden	Clarksdale	D							no	no	no
Randall	Patterson	Biloxi	R	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	yes
Willie	Perkins	Greenwood	D	no	no	present	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Bill	Pigott	Tylertown	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Brent	Powell	Brandon	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
John	Read	Gautier	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Thomas	Reynolds	Charleston	D	no	no	yes	yes	absent	yes	no	no	no
Rob	Roberson	Starkville	R							yes	yes	yes
Margaret	Rogers (14)	New Albany	R	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Ray	Rogers (61)	Pearl	R	no	absent	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Randy	Rushing	Decatur	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes
Noah	Sanford	Collins	R							yes	yes	absent
Omeria	Scott	Laurel	D	no	no	no	yes	no	absent	no	yes	no
William	Shirley	Quitman	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Bobby	Shows*	Ellisville	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	absent	yes	yes
Jeff	Smith	Columbus	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Greg	Snowden	Meridian	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Gary	Staples	Laurel	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Jody	Steverson	Ripley	R	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no
Rufus	Straughter	Belzoni	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Preston	Sullivan	Okolona	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Kathy	Sykes	Jackson	D							no	no	no
Sara	Thomas	Indianola	D	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Brad	Touchstone	Hattiesburg	R							yes	yes	yes
Mark	Tullos	Raleigh	R							yes	yes	yes

*Bobby Shows is no longer serving as a representative.

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Jerry	Turner	Baldwyn	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	absent	yes	yes	yes
Kenneth	Walker	Carthage	D							no	no	no
Percy	Watson	Hattiesburg	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Tom	Weathersby	Florence	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Jason	White	West	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Sonya	Williams-Barnes	Gulfport	D	no	no	yes	present	no	no	no	no	no
Patricia	Willis	Diamondhead	R			yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Cory	Wilson	Madison	R							yes	yes	yes
Adrienne	Wooten	Ridgeland	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no	no
Charles	Young	Meridian	D	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	no	no
Henry	Zuber	Ocean Springs	R	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes