

NOTICE OF RULE ADOPTION—FINAL RULE

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SECRETARY OF STATE
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Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation of
Rule: Mississippi Code 37-15-39

Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the
Proposed Rule: N/A

Date Rule Proposed: October 20, 2006

Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and the reason(s) for proposing the rule:

The Mississippi Education Reform Act of 2006 (SB 2602) requires that policy be established to ensure that each student has a sufficient education for success after high school and that all students have equal access to a substantive and rigorous curriculum that is designed to challenge their minds and enhance their knowledge. The intent of this policy is to increase the preparation of all students for and their preparation in substantive and rigorous curriculum experiences and specifically the Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate programs. This portion of SB 2060 will be codified as Section 37-15-39 of the Mississippi Code of 1972.

The Agency Rule Making Record for this rule including any written comments received during the comment period and the record of any oral proceeding is available for public inspection by contacting the Agency at the above address.

An oral proceeding was held on this rule:

An oral proceeding was not held on this rule.

The Agency has considered the written comments and the presentations made in any oral proceedings, and

This rule as adopted is without variance from the proposed rule.

This rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule as there are minor editorial changes which affect the form rather than the substance of the rule.

The rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule. The differences however are:
Within the scope of the matters in the Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption, the logical outgrowth of the contents of the Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption and the comments submitted in response thereto, and
The Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption provided fair warning that the outcome of the proposed rule adoption could be the rule in question.

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

Effective Date of Rule: December 15, 2006

Dr. Mary Grant-Lee
Division Director