



NOTICE OF RULE ADOPTION – TEMPORARY RULE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

BUSINESS SERVICES
SECRETARY OF STATE

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Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation
of Rule: Miss. Code of 1972 Ann. § 41-23-1

Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by
the Temporary Rule:
Rules and Regulations Governing Reportable
Diseases and Conditions -- Appendix A and Appendix B

Date Rule Proposed: February 7, 2008

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

The Rules and Regulations Governing Reportable Diseases and Conditions are being modified to require the reporting of a influenza associated death in a person aged <18 years of age. In order to provide adequate communication with the public concerning the severity of any public health risks, and in order to address any disease control measures that may be necessary to reduce mortality risks, this reportable event must be reported to the Agency within 24 hours of first knowledge or suspicion (Class I).

Based upon the foregoing reason(s), the Agency finds that an imminent peril to the public health, safety or welfare requires the adoption of a rule upon fewer than twenty-five (25) days' notice. The Agency finds that this Temporary Rule is exempt from consideration of any economic impact of the rule.

Oral Proceeding (Check one box below):

An oral proceeding was held on this rule:

Date: _____
Time: _____
Place: _____

An oral proceeding was not held on this rule.

The Agency has not given notice of any proposed rule with respect to this Temporary Rule, has not received any written comments with respect to the Temporary Rule, and has no entries with respect to this Temporary Rule in its public rule-making docket. To the extent required by law, records pertaining to this Temporary Rule will be made available for public inspection by contacting the Agency at the above address.

Effective Date of Rule: February 7, 2008

F. E. Thompson, Jr., M.D., M.P.H., State Health Officer
Printed Name/Title of Person Submitting Rule for Filing

Signature