

NOTICE OF RULE ADOPTION—FINAL RULE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (ITS)

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Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation of Rule: MS Code Sections 25-53-5 (b); 25-53-5 (j) 25-53-21 (f); 25-53-5 (k); 25-53-25 (2)
Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the Proposed Rule Require CIO approval of sole source certifications delegated to IHLs.

Date Rule Proposed: 4/8/2008

Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and the reason(s) for proposing the rule: The above-referenced ITS enabling statute requires ITS to promulgate rules for the acquisition of information technology products and services. ITS, in accordance with code section 25-53-5 (b) has given special consideration to the teaching and research needs of the various IHLs by giving these institutions a higher level of delegation for technology procurements, including certification of sole source purchases up to \$250,000. This change clarifies that all such delegated sole source certifications must be routed to and approved by the CIO of the IHL.

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:

Date: {Insert Date}
Time: {Insert Time}
Place: {Insert Place}

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

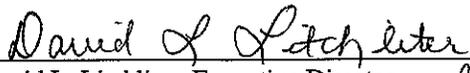
This rule as adopted is without variance from the proposed rule.

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: 6/9/2008


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Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services