

By: Representatives Gunn, Boyd, Weathersby,  
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To: Rules

HOUSE BILL NO. 1647

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AND LOCAL  
2 SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO GRANT ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE WITH PAY TO THE  
3 EMPLOYEES OF THOSE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AND LOCAL SCHOOL  
4 DISTRICTS IN THE EVENT OF CERTAIN DISASTERS OR EMERGENCIES; AND  
5 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 **SECTION 1.** From and after March 14, 2020, the board of  
8 supervisors of any county, the governing authority of any  
9 municipality and the local school board of any public school  
10 district may grant administrative leave with pay during the  
11 affected period within the affected county, municipality or school  
12 district to the employees of such governmental entities on a local  
13 or statewide basis in the event of extreme weather conditions or  
14 in the event of a man-made, technological or natural disaster or  
15 emergency, if such event has resulted in an emergency declaration  
16 by the Governor. Any employee on a previously approved leave  
17 during the affected period shall be eligible for such  
18 administrative leave granted by the governing authority, and shall



19 not be charged for his or her previously approved leave during the  
20 affected period.

21           **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
22 and after its passage.

