

# EMPOWER MISSISSIPPI

## Education Choice Scorecard

### Mississippi Senate

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|         |            |          |              |                   | Floor Vote                             | Conference Report | Floor Vote                       | Conference Report | Floor Vote                                   | Conference Report | Floor Vote                      | Floor Vote                     |        |       |
|         |            |          |              |                   | 3/15/2012                              | 5/1/2012          | 1/24/2013                        | 4/2/2013          | 3/13/2013                                    | 4/4/2013          | 2/13/2014                       | 3/12/2014                      |        |       |
| Terry   | Brown      | 17       | Columbus     | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Terry   | Burton     | 31       | Newton       | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Lydia   | Chassaniol | 14       | Winona       | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Buck    | Clarke     | 22       | Hollandale   | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Nancy   | Collins    | 6        | Tupelo       | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Joey    | Fillingane | 41       | Sumrall      | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Phillip | Gandy      | 43       | Waynesboro   | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Tommy   | Gollott    | 50       | Biloxi       | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Josh    | Harkins    | 20       | Flowood      | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Angela  | Hill       | 40       | Picayune     | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Billy   | Hudson     | 45       | Hattiesburg  | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Gary    | Jackson    | 15       | French Camp  | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Perry   | Lee        | 35       | Mendenhall   | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Chris   | McDaniel   | 42       | Ellisville   | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| David   | Parker     | 19       | Olive Branch | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| John    | Polk       | 44       | Hattiesburg  | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Tony    | Smith      | 47       | Picayune     | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Melanie | Sojourner  | 37       | Natchez      | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Sean    | Tindell    | 49       | Gulfport     | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Gray    | Tollison   | 9        | Oxford       | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Giles   | Ward       | 18       | Louisville   | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Brice   | Wiggins    | 52       | Pascagoula   | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | A+                             | 100.0% |       |
| Sally   | Doty       | 39       | Brookhaven   | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | →                 | ✓                               | A                              | 93.8%  |       |
| Michael | Watson     | 51       | Pascagoula   | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | →                 | ✓                               | A                              | 93.8%  |       |
| Videt   | Carmichael | 33       | Meridian     | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✗                 | ✓                               | B+                             | 87.5%  |       |
| Rita    | Parks      | 4        | Corinth      | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | →                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | →                               | B+                             | 87.5%  |       |
| Briggs  | Hopson     | 23       | Vicksburg    | R                 | ✓                                      | P                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✗                               | →                              | C      | 75.0% |
| Sampson | Jackson    | 32       | Preston      | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✗                               | ✗                              | C      | 75.0% |
| Dean    | Kirby      | 30       | Pearl        | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✗                               | ✗                              | C      | 75.0% |
| Will    | Longwitz   | 25       | Madison      | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✗                               | ✗                              | C      | 75.0% |
| Philip  | Moran      | 46       | Kiln         | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✗                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✓                               | ✗                              | C      | 75.0% |
| Willie  | Simmons    | 13       | Cleveland    | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✓                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✗                               | ✗                              | C      | 75.0% |
| J.P.    | Wilemon    | 5        | Belmont      | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✗                                | ✗                 | ✓  | ✓                 | →                               | ✓                              | D+     | 68.8% |
| Steve   | Hale       | 10       | Senatobia    | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✗                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✗                               | ✗                              | D-     | 62.5% |
| John    | Horhn      | 26       | Jackson      | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✗                                | ✗                 | ✓  | ✓                 | →                               | →                              | D-     | 62.5% |
| Chris   | Massey     | 1        | Nesbit       | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✗                                | ✓                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✗                               | ✗                              | D-     | 62.5% |
| Kenneth | Jones      | 21       | Canton       | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✗                                | ✗                 | ✓  | ✓                 | →                               | ✗                              | F      | 56.3% |
| David   | Blount     | 29       | Jackson      | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✗                                | ✗                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✗                               | ✗                              | F      | 50.0% |
| Nickey  | Browning   | 3        | Pontotoc     | R                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✗                                | ✗                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✗                               | ✗                              | F      | 50.0% |
| Albert  | Butler     | 36       | Port Gibson  | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✗                                | ✗                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✗                               | ✗                              | F      | 50.0% |
| Kelvin  | Butler     | 38       | McComb       | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                 | ✗                                | ✗                 | ✓  | ✓                 | ✗                               | ✗                              | F      | 50.0% |

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| Deborah | Dawkins    | 48       | Pass Christian | D                 | →                                      | ✓                             | ✗                                | ✗                             | ✓  | ✓                             | ✗                               | →                              | F     | 50.0% |
| Hillman | Frazier    | 27       | Jackson        | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                             | ✗                                | ✗                             | ✓  | ✓                             | ✗                               | ✗                              | F     | 50.0% |
| Robert  | Jackson    | 11       | Marks          | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                             | ✗                                | ✗                             | ✓  | ✓                             | ✗                               | ✗                              | F     | 50.0% |
| Russell | Jolly      | 8        | Houston        | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                             | ✗                                | ✗                             | ✓  | ✓                             | ✗                               | ✗                              | F     | 50.0% |
| David   | Jordan     | 24       | Greenwood      | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                             | ✗                                | ✗                             | ✓  | ✓                             | ✗                               | ✗                              | F     | 50.0% |
| Haskins | Montgomery | 34       | Bay Springs    | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                             | ✗                                | ✗                             | ✓  | ✓                             | ✗                               | ✗                              | F     | 50.0% |
| Sollie  | Norwood    | 28       | Jackson        | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                             | ✗                                | ✗                             | ✓  | ✓                             | ✗                               | ✗                              | F     | 50.0% |
| Derrick | Simmons    | 12       | Greenville     | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                             | ✗                                | ✗                             | ✓  | ✓                             | ✗                               | ✗                              | F     | 50.0% |
| Bill    | Stone      | 2        | Holly Springs  | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                             | ✗                                | ✗                             | ✓  | ✓                             | ✗                               | ✗                              | F     | 50.0% |
| Angela  | Turner     | 16       | West Point     | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                             | ✗                                | ✗                             | ✓  | ✓                             | ✗                               | ✗                              | F     | 50.0% |
| Hob     | Bryan      | 7        | Amory          | D                 | ✓                                      | ✓                             | ✗                                | ✗                             | ✗  | ✓                             | ✗                               | ✗                              | F     | 37.5% |

| Legend |                |
|--------|----------------|
| ✓      | Yes Vote       |
| ✗      | No Vote        |
| P      | Voting Present |
| →      | Absent         |

### Scorecard Methodology

A "yes" vote received a 100% and a "no" vote received a 0%. If a legislator voted "present" or was absent, they received a 50% for that vote. The scores are calculated by adding the percentages together and dividing by the number of times they could have voted. Based on this score we assigned them a letter grade based on the following scale:

|    |           |
|----|-----------|
| A+ | 100-97%   |
| A  | 96.9-93%  |
| A- | 92.9-90%  |
| B+ | 89.9-87%  |
| B  | 86.9-83%  |
| B- | 82.9-80%  |
| C+ | 79.9-77%  |
| C  | 76.9-73%  |
| C- | 72.9-70%  |
| D+ | 69.9-67%  |
| D  | 66.9-63%  |
| D- | 62.9-60%  |
| F  | Below 60% |

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