

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
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OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

02. Information: Report on The Equal Opportunity for Students with Special Needs Act (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-181-1 through 37-181-21) [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Background Information: The Equal Opportunity for Students with Special Needs Act (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-181-1 through 37-181-21) was signed into law during the 2015 session of the Mississippi Legislature and established Education Scholarship Accounts. The Education Scholarship Account (ESA) provides an opportunity for parents of children with disabilities to withdraw their child from the public school system to use scholarship money to help defray the cost of private school tuition or other specific allowable activities to educate their child.

This item references Goals 1 and 2 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2022 Strategic Plan*.

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Back-up material: None