

VOTES

Senate - 2026 Legislative Session

Senate Bill 2002 – Public School Choice. Removes provision in current law requiring that both home school district and transferee school district approve a student's transfer to a school district in which he or she does not reside, allows districts to charge tuition to out-of-district students in lieu of ad valorem taxes, requires transferee school district to notify the home district of any transfers approved for following school year no later than March 15, and provides that nothing shall preclude MHSAA (or any successor body) from determining athletic eligibility of transferring students.

The Parents' Campaign favors a vote of nay on this bill.

Passed 1/7/26. Yeas: 33, Nays: 19, Absent: 0, Present/Not Voting: 0

Yeas: 33

Barrett	England	McCaughn	Taylor
Berry	Fillingane	McLendon	Thompson
Blackwell	Harkins	McMahan	Whaley
Boyd	Hartness	Parks	Wiggins
Carter	Hill	Rhodes	Williams
Chassaniol	Hopson	Seymour	Younger
Chism	Johnson	Sparks	
DeBar	Kirby	Suber	
DeLano	Ladner	Tate	

Nays: 19

Barnett	Jackson
Blackmon	Michel
Blount	Mumford
Brumfield	Norwood
Bryan	Pope
Butler	Simmons, Derrick
DuPree	Simmons, Sarita
Frazier	Thomas
Gillespie-Isom	Turner-Ford
Hickman	

Absent: 0

Present/NV: 0