

## VOTES

### Senate - 2026 Legislative Session

**Senate Bill 2003** – Retirees in Classroom. Amends section of current law allowing retired teachers to return to the classroom full-time and draw a salary while continuing to receive PERS benefits; expands the statute to include any Mississippi PERS retiree who obtains a standard teaching license (via alternate route or otherwise), increases the pay to 65% (from the current 50%) of 125% of the salary schedule, reduces the required break in days of service from 90 to 45, eliminates the break in service for those who are 59.5 years of age or older, and removes the critical shortage requirement, making any district and any subject area eligible.

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

Passed 1/7/26. Yeas: 50, Nays: 2, Absent: 0, Present/Not Voting: 0

**Yeas: 50**

Barnett	DeLano	Kirby	Simmons, Sarita
Barrett	DuPree	Ladner	Sparks
Berry	England	McCaughn	Suber
Blackmon	Fillingane	McLendon	Tate
Blackwell	Frazier	McMahan	Taylor
Blount	Gillespie-Isom	Michel	Thomas
Boyd	Harkins	Mumford	Thompson
Brumfield	Hartness	Norwood	Whaley
Butler	Hickman	Parks	Wiggins
Carter	Hill	Pope	Williams
Chassaniol	Hopson	Rhodes	Younger
Chism	Jackson	Seymour	
DeBar	Johnson	Simmons, Derrick	

**Nays: 2**

Bryan  
Turner-Ford

**Absent: 0**

**Present/NV: 0**