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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3141

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE  
2 MISSISSIPPI EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY; AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
3 ESTABLISHING A DISASTER RELIEF RESERVE FUND AND DEFRAYING THE  
4 COSTS RELATED TO CERTAIN DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, FOR FISCAL  
5 YEAR 2000.

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

7 SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
8 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State  
9 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of  
10 defraying the expenses of the Mississippi Emergency Management  
11 Agency in accordance with the provisions of Section 33-15-1 et  
12 seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal year beginning  
13 July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000..... \$ 933,641.00.

14 SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
15 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the special  
16 fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi  
17 Emergency Management Agency which is comprised of special source  
18 funds collected by or otherwise available to the agency, for the  
19 support and maintenance of the agency for the fiscal year  
20 beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.....  
21 ..... \$ 2,432,568.00.

22 SECTION 3. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of  
23 Sections 1 and 2, not more than the amounts set forth below shall  
24 be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of  
25 expenditure:

26 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

27 Personal Services:

28	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits..	\$	1,809,557.00
29	Travel and Subsistence.....		94,700.00
30	Contractual Services.....		421,525.00
31	Commodities.....		92,029.00
32	Capital Outlay:		
33	Other Than Equipment.....		0.00
34	Equipment.....		175,198.00
35	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....		<u>773,200.00</u>
36	Total.....	\$	3,366,209.00

37 FUNDING:

38	General Funds.....	\$	933,641.00
39	Special Funds.....		<u>2,432,568.00</u>
40	Total.....	\$	3,366,209.00

41 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

42	Permanent:	Full Time. . . . .	47
43		Part Time. . . . .	0
44	Time-Limited:	Full Time. . . . .	5
45		Part Time. . . . .	1

46 From the funds provided in the budget category "Personal  
47 Services: Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits," funds may be  
48 expended for the following purposes, in compliance with the  
49 policies established by the State Personnel Board and any  
50 conditions placed on such expenditures:

51 (a) The components of the Variable Compensation Plan  
52 shall be maintained within the constraints of the funds  
53 appropriated herein.

54 (b) Funds are provided to adjust the Variable  
55 Compensation Plan, including realignment, to ensure that all  
56 full-time employees with at least six (6) months of continuous  
57 current service, as of June 30, 1999, receive an increase of One  
58 Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00). Funds are provided to  
59 adjust critical job classes up to an additional One Thousand  
60 Dollars (\$1,000.00).

61 (c) If an employee is currently at or above the end  
62 salary for his or her job classification, then the increase shall  
63 be built into the employee's base salary. To be eligible for any  
64 increase authorized in this section, employees may not have a  
65 current performance rating below "meets expectations" as of the  
66 effective date of the increase. Employees who subsequently  
67 receive a performance rating of "meets expectations" or above  
68 during Fiscal Year 2000 shall receive the salary increase  
69 effective the date of the rating.

70 It is the agency's responsibility to make certain that funds  
71 required to be appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal  
72 Year 2001 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2000 funds appropriated for  
73 that purpose unless programs or positions are added to the  
74 agency's budget by the Mississippi Legislature.

75 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with  
76 the terms, conditions, and procedures established by law.

77 No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be  
78 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are  
79 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this  
80 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

81 SECTION 4. Funds are provided in this act to establish one  
82 (1) new Purchasing Agent II position and three (3) EM-  
83 Communications Specialist positions.

84 SECTION 5. It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
85 Director of the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency may, upon  
86 the request of a local public emergency management organization in  
87 an area which has suffered a natural disaster, supply equipment to  
88 rural water associations to enable their continued operation when  
89 the local emergency management organization determines that such  
90 private entities provide services essential to the welfare of the  
91 community.

92 SECTION 6. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
93 necessary is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State

94 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Emergency  
95 Management Agency to be used to establish a special reserve fund  
96 in the State Treasury for Disaster Relief, for the fiscal year  
97 beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.....  
98 ..... \$ 99,750.00.

99 SECTION 7. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
100 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
101 Treasury to the credit of the Emergency Management Agency Fund  
102 Nos. 3725 and 3728 for the purpose of defraying certain  
103 administrative expenses and the federal share of the cost of the  
104 Disaster Relief Program, for the fiscal year beginning  
105 July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000..... \$ 5,856,000.00.

106 SECTION 8. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
107 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
108 Treasury to the credit of the Emergency Management Agency Fund No.  
109 372U for the purpose of defraying certain administrative expenses  
110 and the federal share of the cost of the Hazard Mitigation  
111 Program, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending  
112 June 30, 2000..... \$ 4,000,000.00.

113 SECTION 9. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
114 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
115 Treasury to the credit of the Emergency Management Agency Fund  
116 Nos. 372M and 372P for the purpose of defraying certain  
117 administrative expenses and the state and federal share of the  
118 cost of the Public Assistance Program resulting from the February  
119 1991 Flood, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending  
120 June 30, 2000..... \$ 50,000.00.

121 SECTION 10. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
122 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
123 Treasury to the credit of the Emergency Management Agency Fund No.  
124 372T for the purpose of defraying certain administrative expenses  
125 and the federal share of the cost of the Public Assistance Program  
126 resulting from the April/May 1991 Flood, for the fiscal year

127 beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000  
128 ..... \$ 200,000.00.

129 SECTION 11. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
130 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
131 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Emergency  
132 Management Agency for the purpose of defraying certain  
133 administrative expenses and the state share of the cost of the  
134 Public Assistance Program resulting from the April/May 1991 Flood,  
135 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending  
136 June 30, 2000..... \$ 972,000.00.

137 SECTION 12. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
138 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
139 Treasury to the credit of the Emergency Management Agency Fund No.  
140 3728 for the purpose of defraying certain administrative expenses  
141 and the federal share of the cost of the Public Assistance Program  
142 resulting from the Lowndes County Disaster, for the fiscal year  
143 beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000. \$ 100,000.00.

144 SECTION 13. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
145 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
146 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Emergency  
147 Management Agency for the purpose of defraying certain  
148 administrative expenses and the state share of the cost of the  
149 Public Assistance Program resulting from the Lowndes County  
150 Disaster, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending  
151 June 30, 2000..... \$ 600,000.00.

152 SECTION 14. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
153 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
154 Treasury to the credit of the Emergency Management Agency Fund  
155 Nos. 3725 and 3728 for the purpose of defraying certain  
156 administrative expenses and the state and federal share of the  
157 cost of the Public Assistance Program resulting from the 1994 Ice  
158 Storm, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending  
159 June 30, 2000..... \$ 3,200,000.00.

160 SECTION 15. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
161 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
162 Treasury to the credit of the Emergency Management Agency Fund No.  
163 372G for the purpose of defraying certain administrative expenses  
164 and the federal share of the cost of the Nuclear Preparedness  
165 Program, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending  
166 June 30, 2000..... \$ 323,800.00.

167 SECTION 16. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
168 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
169 Treasury to the credit of the Emergency Management Agency Fund No.  
170 3724 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of providing  
171 individual and family disaster relief assistance for personal  
172 property losses and damages resulting from disasters declared by  
173 the federal government, for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
174 1999, and ending June 30, 2000..... \$ 1,000,000.00.

175 SECTION 17. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
176 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
177 Treasury to the credit of the Emergency Management Agency Fund  
178 Nos. 3724 and 3728 for the purpose of defraying certain  
179 administrative expenses and the state and federal share of the  
180 cost of the Public Assistance Program resulting from Hurricane  
181 Georges, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending  
182 June 30, 2000..... \$ 10,500,000.00.

183 SECTION 18. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
184 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
185 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Emergency  
186 Management Agency for the purpose of defraying certain  
187 administrative expenses and the state share of the cost of the  
188 Public Assistance Program resulting from Hurricane Georges, for  
189 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.  
190 ..... \$ 3,500,000.00.

191 SECTION 19. The funds appropriated in Section 6 shall be  
192 expended only as provided in Sections 43-41-1 et seq. and

193 43-41-301 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, or for the purpose of  
194 matching federal funds in the event a disaster occurs within the  
195 state.

196 SECTION 20. The expenditure of the funds appropriated by  
197 this act shall be under the direction of the Governor and shall be  
198 paid by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State General  
199 Fund not otherwise appropriated, or the proper special funds, upon  
200 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
201 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
202 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

203 SECTION 21. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
204 and after July 1, 1999.