

By: Senator(s) Hall, Burton, Stogner, Jordan To: Appropriations  
(18th), Kirby, Mettetal, Posey, White (5th)

SENATE BILL NO. 3151  
(As Sent to Governor)

1           AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE SUPPORT AND  
2 MAINTENANCE OF THE MISSISSIPPI COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE FOR  
3 FISCAL YEAR 2000.

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

5           SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
6 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
7 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the support and  
8 maintenance of the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service for  
9 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999 and ending June 30, 2000  
10 ..... \$       22,585,523.00.

11          SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
12 necessary, is hereby authorized for expenditure out of any special  
13 source funds which are collected by or otherwise become available  
14 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Mississippi  
15 Cooperative Extension Service for the fiscal year beginning  
16 July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.....  
17 ..... \$       14,062,779.00.

18          SECTION 3. No general funds authorized to be expended herein  
19 shall be used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds  
20 which are being used for salaries authorized under the provisions  
21 of this act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

22          SECTION 4. It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
23 Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service provide programs in the  
24 emphasis areas of Agriculture, Home Economics, 4-H, and Community  
25 Resource Development in each county.

26          SECTION 5. No part of the funds appropriated or authorized  
27 to be expended hereby shall be spent directly or indirectly for

28 payment of attorneys' fees for the services of any attorney who  
29 was not employed by the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service  
30 pursuant to the express authorization of the Board of Trustees of  
31 Institutions of Higher Learning prior to performance of such legal  
32 services.

33 SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
34 agency's budget request for fiscal year 2001 shall be submitted to  
35 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of  
36 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided  
37 during the fiscal year 2000 budget request process.

38 SECTION 7. It is the intent of the Legislature that if the  
39 funds appropriated in Section 1 of this act are used directly or  
40 indirectly to match or otherwise secure any federal grants,  
41 research grants or donations, such special source funds not  
42 classified as current restricted funds shall be added and  
43 accounted for under Section 2 of this act. Further, it is the  
44 intention of the Legislature that all such aforementioned special  
45 source funds be included in all reports and requests for the 2000  
46 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature.

47 SECTION 8. Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, the  
48 following amounts shall be derived from the Education Enhancement  
49 Fund as follows:

50 (a) One Million Two Hundred Thirty-six Thousand Nine Hundred  
51 Forty-three Dollars (\$1,236,943.00) shall be derived  
52 from funds deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and  
53 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

54 (b) Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-  
55 two Dollars (\$290,572.00) shall be derived from funds  
56 deposited pursuant to Section 27-103-203(1),  
57 Mississippi Code of 1972.

58 SECTION 9. In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance  
59 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of  
60 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized  
61 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the

62 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,  
63 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted  
64 performance measures provided below:

65 <u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>FY2000 Target</u>
66 Agriculture and Natural Resources	
67 Published Information (Items)	4,563
68 Mass Media Exposure (Items)	7,975
69 Group Meeting (Meetings)	5,185
70 Volunteers Trained (Persons)	69
71 Education Contacts (Persons)	905,000
72 Family and Consumer Education	
73 Published Information (Items)	2,856
74 Educational Contacts (Persons)	713,000
75 Cost per Educational Contract (\$)	6.57
76 Enterprise and Community Resource Development	
77 Educational Contacts (Persons)	185,000
78 Cost per Educational Contract (\$)	7.01
79 4-H Youth Development	
80 Educational Contacts (Persons)	650,000
81 Cost per Educational Contract (\$)	8.45

82 A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets  
83 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the  
84 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget  
85 Committee for Fiscal Year 2001.

86 SECTION 10. It is the intention of the Legislature that of  
87 the funds appropriated in Section 1, Seventy-five Thousand Dollars  
88 (\$75,000.00) shall be allocated to the Delta Branch Research and  
89 Extension Station for a Cotton Specialist and the related  
90 supportive costs.

91 SECTION 11. It is the intention of the Legislature that of  
92 the funds appropriated in Section 1 and authorized for expenditure  
93 in Section 2, Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) shall be  
94 allocated to defray the costs of the Northeast Mississippi Swine  
95 Demonstration Unit located at the Pontotoc Branch Experiment

96 Station.

97 SECTION 12. It is the intention of the Legislature that of  
98 the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act, an  
99 Extension Beef Specialist position shall be funded.

100 SECTION 13. It is the intention of the Legislature that of  
101 the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act, an Area  
102 Aquaculture Agent for East Central Mississippi shall be funded.

103 SECTION 14. It is the intention of the Legislature that of  
104 the funds authorized for expenditures in Section 2, One Hundred  
105 Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) shall be allocated to defray  
106 the costs of the Extension Youth Livestock Program at Mississippi  
107 State University.

108 SECTION 15. It is the intention of the Legislature that of  
109 the funds appropriated in Section 1, Two Hundred Fifty Thousand  
110 Dollars (\$250,000.00) shall be allocated to defray the costs of  
111 operating the Crosby Arboretum.

112 SECTION 16. Should revenues generated and deposited to the  
113 Education Enhancement Fund pursuant to Section 27-103-203(1),  
114 Mississippi Code of 1972, fall below funds appropriated herein  
115 from said source, the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of  
116 Higher Learning shall notify the Department of Finance and  
117 Administration as to which allotments shall be reduced to insure  
118 that expenditures do not exceed actual revenues.

119 SECTION 17. In addition to all other funds heretofore  
120 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
121 necessary, is hereby allocated out of any money deposited in the  
122 State Treasury from the Mississippi Tobacco Pilot Program as  
123 authorized in the case Mike Moore Attorney General ex rel. State  
124 of Mississippi v. The American Tobacco Company et al. (Chancery  
125 Court of Jackson County, Mississippi, Cause No. 94-1429) to the  
126 Mississippi State University Cooperative Extension Service for the  
127 fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.....  
128 ..... \$ 900,000.00.

129 SECTION 18. It is the intention of the Legislature that of

130 the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act, the  
131 amount of Four Hundred Seventy-seven Thousand Dollars  
132 (\$477,000.00) shall be allocated to defray the cost of the Grow  
133 Green Program. Funds for this program shall be allocated to fund  
134 a Turf Specialist and an Area Horticulture Specialist.

135 SECTION 19. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions  
136 of Section 1, One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) shall be  
137 allocated to defray the costs of a Production Economist at the  
138 Delta Research and Extension Center at Stoneville, Mississippi.

139 SECTION 20. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
140 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
141 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
142 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
143 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
144 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

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