By: Ketchings To: Ways and Means

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1406

1	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 3, CHAPTER 595, LAWS OF 1999, TO
2	AUTHORIZE COPIAH-LINCOLN COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO UTILIZE FUNDS
3	ALLOCATED TO IT IN THE 1999 COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES CAPITAL
4	IMPROVEMENTS FUND TO PURCHASE PROPERTY IN NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI;
5	AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 7 SECTION 1. Section 3, Chapter 595, Laws of 1999, is amended
- 8 as follows:
- 9 Section 3. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the
- 10 "1999 Community and Junior Colleges Capital Improvements Fund" is
- 11 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained
- 12 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate
- 13 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts
- 14 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse
- 15 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment
- 16 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit
- 17 of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for
- 18 any purpose except as authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of
- 19 this act.
- 20 (b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) of
- 21 this subsection (1), monies deposited into the fund shall be
- 22 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and
- 23 Administration, to pay the costs of construction of new facilities
- 24 and addition to or renovation of existing facilities, or community
- 25 and junior college campuses as recommended by the State Board of
- 26 Community and Junior Colleges. The amount to be expended at each
- 27 community and junior college is as follows:

28	Coahoma\$ 626,750.00
29	Copiah-Lincoln881,750.00
30	East Central806,000.00
31	East Mississippi710,000.00
32	Hinds1,735,250.00
33	Holmes857,000.00
34	Itawamba966,500.00
35	Jones1,258,250.00
36	Meridian881,000.00
37	Mississippi Delta923,000.00
38	Mississippi Gulf Coast
39	Northeast Mississippi985,250.00
40	Northwest Mississippi
41	Pearl River936,500.00
42	Southwest Mississippi
43	GRAND TOTAL\$15,000,000.00
44	(c) In addition to the purposes provided in paragraph
45	(b) of this subsection (1) for which monies deposited in the fund
46	are authorized to be disbursed, monies in the fund allocated to
47	Copiah-Lincoln Community College may be disbursed to pay the cost
48	of the purchase of land in Natchez, Mississippi.
49	(2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
50	disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1)
51	of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by
52	resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection
53	(1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed
54	in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund
55	shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under
56	Sections 1 through 20 of this act, in accordance with the
57	proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed
58	by the commission.
59	(3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting

through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property

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- 61 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and
- 62 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the
- 63 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The
- 64 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be
- 65 under the direction of the Department of Finance and
- 66 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State
- 67 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants
- 68 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director
- 69 of the Department of Finance and Administration or his designee.
- 70 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 71 and after its passage.