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To: Universities and
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Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2093

1 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL
2 COMPLEX WHICH SHALL BE A TEACHING HOSPITAL IN ADDITION TO THE
3 TEACHING HOSPITAL AT THE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER; TO PROVIDE
4 THAT THE MEDICAL COMPLEX SHALL BE LOCATED AT LORMAN, MISSISSIPPI;
5 TO PROVIDE THAT THE MEDICAL COMPLEX SHALL BE COORDINATED BY THE
6 BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING AS A
7 SATELLITE FACILITY TO THE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER; TO PROVIDE
8 THAT WITHIN TEN YEARS OF ITS ESTABLISHMENT, THE MEDICAL COMPLEX
9 SHALL BE A COMPREHENSIVE HOSPITAL FACILITY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE
10 COMPLEX SHALL OFFER FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENCIES, AND SHALL BE
11 OPERATED ON THE BASIS OF CHARGES FOR SERVICES RENDERED; TO PROVIDE
12 THAT THE LEGISLATURE SHALL APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE TOBACCO
13 LITIGATION CASE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, EQUIPPING AND MAINTENANCE OF
14 THE ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL COMPLEX; AND FOR RELATED
15 PURPOSES.

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

17 SECTION 1. (1) There shall be built, equipped and operated
18 a teaching hospital, together with all ancillary buildings and
19 physical facilities needful or proper for the establishment,
20 operation and maintenance of such a hospital as a part of a fully
21 accredited medical school, including clinical and out-patient
22 services and all types of services deemed to be necessary or
23 desirable, to be established by the Board of Trustees of State
24 Institutions of Higher Learning and to be known as the Alcorn
25 State University Medical Complex. There shall also be acquired
26 and installed all needed equipment and supplies for the proper
27 operation and maintenance of such teaching and hospital and other

28 facilities for the purposes aforesaid. There shall be employed
29 all needed personnel and services to operate said teaching
30 hospital and other facilities. The Alcorn State University
31 Medical Complex (teaching hospital) shall be located and built
32 upon lands owned by the State of Mississippi or otherwise conveyed
33 to the State of Mississippi for this purpose in or near the City
34 of Lorman, Mississippi.

35 (2) The Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
36 Management shall construct the buildings and all other related
37 facilities for said teaching hospital. When such buildings shall
38 have been constructed and made ready for occupancy, the lands,
39 buildings and other improvements erected thereon, shall be
40 conveyed by the bureau to Alcorn State University, and title to
41 said property shall be vested in Alcorn State University.

42 (3) The Alcorn State University Medical Complex (teaching
43 hospital) shall be operated as departments of Alcorn State
44 University. However, the Board of Trustees of State Institutions
45 of Higher Learning shall provide that said teaching hospital shall
46 be affiliated with the University Medical Center as a satellite
47 facility of the medical center. At the time of its establishment,
48 the teaching hospital shall offer a limited number of medical
49 specialties as determined by the University Medical Center, but
50 the number of medical specialties offered at the hospital shall be
51 gradually expanded so that within ten (10) years from the date of
52 its establishment, it shall be a comprehensive hospital facility
53 offering substantially all of the medical specialties offered at
54 University Medical Center, and residencies shall be established at
55 the new teaching hospital to accomplish this requirement. The
56 teaching hospital shall offer family medicine residencies from the
57 date of its establishment.

58 (4) The teaching hospital established under this section

59 shall be utilized to serve the people of Mississippi generally.
60 It shall be operated on the basis of charges for services
61 rendered, but there shall be a reasonable volume of free work;
62 however, such volume shall never be less than one-half (1/2) of
63 its respective bed capacity. The income derived from the
64 operation of the teaching hospital shall be utilized toward the
65 payment of the operating expenses of the hospital. The teaching
66 hospital and related facilities shall have the power necessary to
67 enter into group purchasing arrangements as deemed reasonable and
68 necessary and establish rates and charges on any desirable basis.

69 (5) The Legislature shall appropriate a sum of not less than
70 Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000.00) from any money deposited
71 in the State Treasury as may be received by the state as
72 settlement of any of the litigation in which the State of
73 Mississippi is a plaintiff or claimant for damages suffered by the
74 state as a result of the use of tobacco or tobacco products by the
75 residents of the state, Mike Moore Attorney General ex rel. State
76 of Mississippi v. The American Tobacco Company et al. (Chancery
77 Court of Jackson County, Mississippi, Cause No. 94-1429), or from
78 any other sources as may be available, for the construction and
79 equipping of the Alcorn State University Medical Complex and any
80 related facilities.

81 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
82 and after July 1, 2000.