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SENATE BILL NO. 3255
(As Passed the Senate)

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE AID OF THE PUBLIC
2 COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI FOR
3 FISCAL YEAR 2001.

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

5 SECTION 1. (1) The following sum, or so much thereof as may
6 be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
7 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the aid of the public
8 community and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning
9 July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001.....\$ 99,572,641.00.

10 (2) The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
11 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
12 Education Enhancement Fund, not otherwise appropriated, for the
13 aid of public community and junior colleges for the fiscal year
14 beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001.....
15\$ 28,329,648.00.

16 (3) The money appropriated by this act shall be apportioned
17 as follows:

18 (a) The State Board for Community and Junior Colleges
19 shall distribute to each of the public community and junior
20 colleges, out of any money appropriated from the State General
21 Fund, the sum of Three Hundred Ninety-nine Thousand One Hundred
22 Fifty-three Dollars (\$399,153.00) and out of any money
23 appropriated from the Education Enhancement Fund, the sum of One
24 Hundred Forty-two Thousand One Hundred Twenty-seven Dollars
25 (\$142,127.00).

26 (b) The remainder of the appropriation for public

27 community and junior colleges shall be distributed in twelve (12)
28 monthly installments beginning July 25, 2000, on the basis of the
29 number of full-time academic and technical public community and
30 junior college students actually enrolled and in attendance on the
31 last day of the sixth week of the fall semester or its equivalent
32 of the preceding year counting only those students who reside
33 within the State of Mississippi. Provided, however, that
34 technical students shall be weighted at 1.19 times that of
35 academic students.

36 The Director of the State Board for Community and Junior
37 Colleges shall visit each public community and junior college and
38 shall determine, on the basis of an audit of students, who shall
39 be counted in each college and shall certify the number to the
40 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges.

41 If, pending determination of the full-time academic
42 enrollment of students at the public community and junior colleges
43 entitled to participate in this appropriation, as provided for in
44 this subsection, the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges
45 shall find and determine that any such public or community junior
46 college does not have sufficient funds on hand for payment of the
47 necessary expenses of its operation for the period commencing
48 July 1, 2000, until distribution of the funds appropriated hereby,
49 then, in that event, the State Board for Community and Junior
50 Colleges is expressly authorized to make an advance to any such
51 public community or junior college or colleges not having
52 sufficient operating funds for such period from the funds
53 appropriated hereby; provided, however, that the amount of any
54 such advance to any one public community or junior college shall
55 not exceed thirty-three percent (33%) of the amount of state
56 appropriated funds received by such public community or junior
57 college during the preceding fiscal year; and provided, further,
58 that the amount of any such advance shall be deducted from the pro
59 rata part of the funds appropriated hereby accruing to said public

60 community or junior college when enrollment has been ascertained
61 and distribution of funds is made.

62 (4) No part of the amount herein appropriated shall be used
63 by the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for
64 administrative or other purposes except in the manner and to the
65 extent authorized in the act making an appropriation for the
66 expenses of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges.

67 SECTION 2. (1) The following sum, or so much thereof as may
68 be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the
69 State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the support,
70 maintenance and equipping of vocational-technical departments in
71 the public community and junior colleges which meet the
72 requirements for vocational-technical education departments for
73 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30,
74 2001.....\$ 2,846,003.00.

75 (2) The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
76 necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the
77 Education Enhancement Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the
78 support, maintenance and equipping of vocational-technical
79 departments in the public community and junior colleges which meet
80 the requirements for vocational-technical education departments
81 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending
82 June 30, 2001.....\$ 796,694.00.

83 (3) Such departments shall be open to students enrolled in
84 the institutions, and to other students who may qualify for such
85 courses, and to those meeting requirements for either civilian or
86 veteran rehabilitation, whether or not enrolled in such
87 institutions as regular students.

88 (4) Such funds shall be disbursed to such public community
89 and junior colleges on the basis of the full-time vocational
90 enrollment of each such public community and junior college as of
91 the last day of the sixth week of the fall semester or its
92 equivalent of the preceding year, counting only students who

93 reside within the State of Mississippi.

94 (5) No part of the funds hereby appropriated shall be spent
95 for building or for regular academic instruction.

96 (6) The funds disbursed under the provisions of this act
97 shall be accounted for through the State Board for Community and
98 Junior Colleges.

99 SECTION 3. (1) The following sum, or so much thereof as may
100 be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the
101 State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the support of
102 part-time academic credit courses operated by public community and
103 junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and
104 ending June 30, 2001.....\$ 14,391,612.00.

105 (2) The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
106 necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the
107 Education Enhancement Fund, not otherwise appropriated, for the
108 support of part-time academic credit courses operated by public
109 community and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning
110 July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001.....\$ 4,028,705.00.

111 (3) These funds shall be disbursed by the State Board for
112 Community and Junior Colleges to such public community and junior
113 colleges as may qualify on the basis of the prior year full-time
114 equivalency of part-time and summer academic students, counting
115 only students who reside within the State of Mississippi.

116 SECTION 4. (1) The following sum, or so much thereof as may
117 be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
118 General Fund, not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for
119 Community and Junior Colleges for the purposes of paying for
120 nursing faculty supplement, in accordance with Section 37-129-1 et
121 seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, and aid to nursing education for
122 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001
123\$ 790,098.00.

124 (2) The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
125 necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the

126 Education Enhancement Fund, not otherwise appropriated, to the
127 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of
128 paying for nursing faculty supplement, in accordance with Section
129 37-129-1 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, and aid to nursing
130 education for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending
131 June 30, 2001.....\$ 620,847.00.

132 (3) The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
133 necessary is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Health
134 Care Expendable Fund, not otherwise appropriated, to the State
135 Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of paying
136 for nursing faculty supplement, in accordance with Section 37-129-
137 1 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, and aid to nursing education
138 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30,
139 2001.....\$ 6,000,000.00.

140 SECTION 5. The following public community and junior
141 colleges which qualify shall participate in the funds provided by
142 Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of this act:

143 Coahoma Community College, Copiah-Lincoln Community College,
144 East Central Community College, East Mississippi Community
145 College, Hinds Community College District, Holmes Community
146 College, Itawamba Community College, Jones County Junior College,
147 Meridian Community College, Mississippi Delta Community College,
148 Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College District, Northeast
149 Mississippi Community College, Northwest Mississippi Community
150 College, Pearl River Community College, and Southwest Mississippi
151 Community College.

152 SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that none
153 of the General Funds appropriated herein shall be expended for the
154 purpose of paying salaries, wages, and fringe benefits of any
155 public community and junior college employee who is serving as a
156 member of the State of Mississippi Legislature.

157 SECTION 7. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
158 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Health

159 Care Expendable Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State
160 Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purposes of hiring
161 nursing and allied health teachers, awarding interest free nursing
162 and allied health student loans and providing instructional
163 support for the Rural Health Corps for the fiscal year beginning
164 July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001.....\$ 1,200,000.00.

165 The funds appropriated in this section shall be allocated as
166 follows:

167 (1) One-half (1/2) divided equally among the fifteen (15)
168 public community and junior colleges.

169 (2) One-half (1/2) divided upon the basis of the number of
170 full-time academic, technical and vocational public community and
171 junior college students actually enrolled and in attendance on the
172 last day of the sixth week of the fall semester or its equivalent
173 of the preceding year counting only those students who reside
174 within the State of Mississippi.

175 The public community and junior colleges shall prepare and
176 make available to the Legislature and the Legislative Budget
177 Office an accounting of expenditures and program accomplishments
178 of the Rural Health Corps Program for each of the individual
179 community and junior colleges in a format and manner prescribed by
180 the Legislative Budget Office.

181 SECTION 8. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
182 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
183 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the aid of the public
184 community and junior colleges, to fund life and health insurance,
185 for all employees of the public community and junior colleges for
186 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001..
187\$ 10,053,490.00.

188 The funds allocated in this section shall only be used to
189 participate in the State and School Employees' Life and Health
190 Insurance Plan. Any funds appropriated in these sections which
191 are not expended during the fiscal year shall be carried forward

192 for the same purposes during the next succeeding fiscal year.

193 SECTION 9. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
194 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
195 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of
196 establishing and operating One-Stop Career Centers at each of the
197 public community and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning
198 July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001.....\$ 4,500,000.00.

199 SECTION 10. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
200 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
201 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for
202 Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of defraying the
203 cost of Sign Language Interpreter Training at the public community
204 and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000,
205 and ending June 30, 2001.....\$ 179,050.00.

206 SECTION 11. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
207 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
208 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for
209 Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of defraying the
210 cost of the Education Technology Program at the public community
211 and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000,
212 and ending June 30, 2001.....\$ 3,599,160.00.

213 SECTION 12. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
214 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
215 Education Enhancement Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the
216 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of
217 defraying the cost of servicing the debt on bonds issued for the
218 Education Technology Program at the community and junior colleges
219 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending
220 June 30, 2001.....\$ 3,141,678.00.

221 The funds appropriated in this section shall be derived from
222 Education Enhancement Funds deposited pursuant to Section
223 27-103-203(1), Mississippi Code of 1972.

224 SECTION 13. Of the funds appropriated in Sections 1 (2),

225 2 (2), 3 (2), and 4 (2), Thirty Million Eighty Thousand Six
226 Hundred Sixty-three Dollars (\$30,080,663.00) shall be derived from
227 Education Enhancement Funds deposited pursuant to Sections
228 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972 and Three Million
229 Six Hundred Ninety-five Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-one Dollars
230 (\$3,695,231.00) shall be derived from Education Enhancement Funds
231 deposited pursuant to Section 27-103-203(1), Mississippi Code of
232 1972.

233 SECTION 14. Should revenues generated and deposited to the
234 Education Enhancement Fund pursuant to Section 27-103-203 (1),
235 Mississippi Code of 1972, and apportioned pursuant to Section
236 37-61-33 (6), Mississippi Code of 1972, fall below funds
237 appropriated herein from said source, the State Board for
238 Community and Junior Colleges shall notify the Department of
239 Finance and Administration as to which allotments shall be reduced
240 to insure that expenditures do not exceed actual revenues.

241 SECTION 15. A Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition
242 (MPACT) program beneficiary shall be considered a Mississippi
243 resident for the purposes of participating in this appropriation
244 regardless of the beneficiary's residence on the date of
245 enrollment, as set out in Mississippi Code Annotated, Section
246 37-155-5(d)(iii).

247 SECTION 16. In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance
248 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of
249 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
250 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
251 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,
252 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted
253 performance measures provided below:

<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>FY2001 Target</u>
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255 INSTRUCTION

256 Cumulative grade point averages of
257 community college transfer students

258 attending State Institutions of Higher
 259 Learning will equal or exceed the
 260 Grade Point Averages earned by native
 261 students in the same university system
 262 (GPA based on a 4.0 scale) 2.75
 263 Average range of class size (Students/Class) 18.00
 264 Percentage of community/junior college
 265 associate degree nursing graduates who
 266 pass the state board nursing exam on the
 267 first write (%) 92.00
 268 Percentage of full-time and adjunct (part-
 269 time) faculty who met the criteria for
 270 academic and professional preparation (%) 100.00
 271 Percentage of vocational-technical students
 272 who complete or exit a program and are
 273 considered positively placed (%) 90.00
 274 Total cost per full-time equivalent student (\$) \$5,299.91

275 PHYSICAL PLANT OPERATION

276 Percentage of community/junior colleges with a
 277 written comprehensive safety and health
 278 program implemented to ensure safe working
 279 conditions and practices (%) 100.00
 280 Number of student injuries on community and
 281 junior college grounds (Students) 93.00
 282 Number of employee injuries on community and
 283 junior college grounds (Employees) 102.00
 284 A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets
 285 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the
 286 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget
 287 Committee for Fiscal Year 2002.

288 SECTION 17. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
 289 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
 290 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for

291 Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of defraying the
292 cost of the Golden Triangle Education Center for Manufacturing
293 Technology, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending
294 June 30, 2001.....\$ 100,000.00.

295 SECTION 18. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
296 necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the
297 Education Enhancement Fund No. 4302 in the State Treasury to the
298 credit of the Public Community and Junior Colleges, for the fiscal
299 year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001.....
300\$ 615,000.00.

301 SECTION 19. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions
302 of this act, the Mississippi Public Community and Junior Colleges
303 may expend out of these funds such sums as may be necessary to
304 provide transportation and transportation related services,
305 including the operation or use of buses, vans or other vehicles
306 owned or leased by the Mississippi Public Community and Junior
307 Colleges in support of the annual meeting of the Southern
308 Legislative Conference hosted by the State of Mississippi.

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

315 SECTION 21. This act shall take effect and be in force from
316 and after July 1, 2000.