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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3272
(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 2001.

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, 2000 and ending June 30, 2001
10\$ 24,097,530.00.

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, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001.....
17\$ 13,074,274.00.

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21 of this act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.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 2002 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 2001 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 2001
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 Eighty-six Thousand Nine
51 Hundred Forty-three Dollars (\$1,286,943.00)
52 shall be derived from funds deposited pursuant
53 to Sections 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi
54 Code of 1972.

55 (b) One Hundred Fifty-two Thousand Sixty-seven
56 Dollars (\$152,067.00) shall be derived from
57 funds deposited pursuant to Section 27-103-203(1),
58 Mississippi Code of 1972.

59 SECTION 9. In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance

60 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of
 61 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
 62 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
 63 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,
 64 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted
 65 performance measures provided below:

	FY2001
<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>Target</u>
68 Agriculture & Natural Resources	
69 Published Information (Items)	4,379
70 Mass Media Exposure (Items)	6,768
71 Group Meeting (Meetings)	5,071
72 Volunteers Trained (Persons)	333
73 Educational Contacts (Persons)	905,000
74 Family & Consumer Education	
75 Published Information (Items)	2,957
76 Educational Contacts (Persons)	843,347
77 Cost per Educational Contact (\$)	8.22
78 Enterprise & Community Research Development	
79 Educational Contacts (Persons)	185,000
80 Cost per Educational Contact (\$)	11.19
81 4-H Youth Development	
82 Educational Contacts (Persons)	672,000
83 Cost per Educational Contact (\$)	10.95

84 A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets
 85 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the
 86 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget
 87 Committee for Fiscal Year 2002.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

121 SECTION 17. It is the intention of the Legislature that of
122 the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act, the
123 amount of Four Hundred Seventy-seven Thousand Dollars
124 (\$477,000.00) shall be allocated to defray the cost of the Grow
125 Green Program. Funds for this program shall be allocated to fund

126 a Turf Specialist and an Area Horticulture Specialist.

127 SECTION 18. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions
128 of Section 1, One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) shall be
129 allocated to defray the costs of a Production Economist at the
130 Delta Research and Extension Center at Stoneville, Mississippi.

131 SECTION 19. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions
132 of Section 1, Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) shall
133 be allocated to defray the cost of three (3) Poultry Specialists.

134 None of these funds may be expended until an unbiased report
135 is filed quarterly with the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of
136 the House, the Chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee and
137 the House Agriculture Committee that details the status of the
138 Integrator/Grower relationship and any problems that may arise
139 relating to that relationship.

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

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