HOUSE BILL NO. 1545

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF EMPLOYING
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNSELORS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002.

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

SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much of it as may be
necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State General
Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Department of
Education for the purpose of defraying the expenses of employing
elementary school counselors for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
2001, and ending June 30, 2002..................... $2,000,000.00.

SECTION 2. The money appropriated by Section 1 of this act
is for the purpose of providing funding under the Minimum
Education Program to the State Department of Education for
employing school counselors in the public elementary schools at a
ratio of one (1) counselor per every five hundred (500) students.

SECTION 3. The money appropriated by Section 1 of this act
shall be paid by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State
General Fund not otherwise appropriated, upon warrants issued by
the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue
his warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person,
officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from
and after July 1, 2001.