

By: Representatives Watson, McBride, Coleman  
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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1599

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING  
2 SALARIES AND TRAVEL EXPENSES OF DISTRICT ATTORNEYS AND ASSISTANT  
3 DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OF THE STATE AND PAYING OFFICE EXPENSES OF  
4 DISTRICT ATTORNEYS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2002.

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

6 SECTION 1. The following sums, or so much thereof as may be  
7 necessary, are hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
8 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying  
9 salaries and travel expenses of district attorneys and assistant  
10 district attorneys of the state and paying office expenses of  
11 district attorneys for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and  
12 ending June 30, 2002..... \$ 12,747,980.00.

13 SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of  
14 Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be  
15 expended for the respective purposes:

16 (a) Salaries and travel expenses of district attorneys,  
17 assistant district attorneys and criminal investigators of the  
18 state:

19 Salaries..... \$11,744,870.00  
20 Travel Expenses..... 200,000.00  
21 Tort Claims Assessment..... \$ 35,110.00

22 None of the funds authorized in this section shall be used to  
23 reimburse district attorneys or their staff for taxable meals  
24 incurred within their geographical district.

25 (b) Office expenses of district attorneys as authorized  
26 by Section 25-31-8, Mississippi Code of 1972.....  
27 ..... \$ 768,000.00.

28           SECTION 3. Of the funds appropriated in Section 1,  
29 Eighty-five Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-two Dollars (\$85,482.00)  
30 is provided to fund salary and office expense for one (1)  
31 full-time legal assistant in the Sixth Circuit Court District as  
32 authorized in Section 25-31-5(2)(f), Mississippi Code of 1972.

33           SECTION 4. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
34 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
35 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
36 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
37 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
38 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

39           SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
40 and after July 1, 2001.