HOUSE BILL NO. 1623
(As Sent to Governor)

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING
THE EXPENSES OF THE STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2002.

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

SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission for the purpose of defraying the administrative expenses of the commission and carrying out the provisions of Section 69-27-1 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2002 .............................................. $ 877,775.00.

SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the special fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission which is comprised of special source funds collected by or otherwise available to the commission, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the commission for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2002 ....... $ 1,053,509.00.

SECTION 3. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of Section 1 and Section 2, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of expenditure:

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

Personal Services:

Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. $ 816,255.00
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<td>Travel and Subsistence</td>
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<td>Contractual Services</td>
<td>141,758.00</td>
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<td>Commodities</td>
<td>77,850.00</td>
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<td>Capital Outlay:</td>
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<td>Other Than Equipment</td>
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<td>Equipment</td>
<td>7,800.00</td>
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<td>Subsidies, Loans and Grants</td>
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**FUNDING:**

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**AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:**

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<td>Time-Limited: Full Time</td>
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With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal Year 2003 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2002 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2003 budget by the Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure that no single personnel action increases this projected annual cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2002 appropriation for "Personal Services" when annualized. If, at the end of any calendar month, the State Personnel Board determines that the agency has taken action(s) which would cause the agency to exceed this projected
annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2002 "Personal Services"
appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which
reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation
requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until
such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
the terms, conditions and procedures established by law.

No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be
used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are
being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this
act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

SECTION 4. The State Soil and Water Conservation Commission
is hereby authorized to retain all funds generated from the sale
of equipment. Any funds made available from the sale of equipment
shall be deposited into the special fund in the State Treasury to
the credit of the Soil and Water Conservation Commission and shall
be used solely for the purpose of purchasing equipment.

SECTION 5. The State Soil and Water Conservation Commission
is hereby authorized to receive, budget and expend any proceeds
derived from the sale of bonds authorized in Section 69-27-331 et
seq., Mississippi Code of 1972. All expenditures shall be in
accordance with conditions provided in Section 69-27-331 et seq.,

SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that the
Soil and Water Conservation Commission shall have the authority to
escalate its budget and expend funds from any source not to exceed
Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($750,000.00) in accordance
with rules and regulations of the Department of Finance and
Administration in a manner consistent with the escalation of
federal funds.

SECTION 7. Of the funds appropriated in Section 1, it is the
intention of the Legislature that Sixty-five Thousand Dollars
($65,000.00) be used for the purpose of funding a Beaver Control
94 Cost Share program. The Mississippi Soil and Water Conservation
95 Commission shall promulgate rules and regulations for the
96 establishment and operation of the program on a fund matching
97 basis with the county unit of government. Funds not expended or
98 encumbered in a county may be transferred to another county during
99 the fiscal year. Only those funds specifically appropriated for
100 the Beaver Control Cost Share program shall be used in any such
101 program.

SECTION 8. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
102 Section 2, Thirty-five Thousand Dollars ($35,000.00) shall be
103 derived from the Budget Contingency Fund created in Senate Bill
104 No. 2680, 2001 Regular Session.

SECTION 9. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
107 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
108 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
109 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
110 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
111 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from
113 and after July 1, 2001.