MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1542
(As Sent to Governor)

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE
EXPENSES AND PROVIDING CONTINGENT FUNDS FOR THE LEGISLATURE, THE
EXPENSES OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE, THE EXPENSES
OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND
EXPENDITURE REVIEW, THE EXPENSES OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE
REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE, THE EXPENSES OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON
COMPILATION, REVISION AND PUBLICATION OF LEGISLATION, PAYING THE
MONTHLY EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE,
PAYING THE STATE'S SHARE OF VARIOUS ASSESSMENTS, AND RELATED

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

SECTION 1. The following sums, or so much thereof as may be
necessary, are hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying
salaries, mileage, insurance, matching funds and the daily expense
allowance of the members of the Legislature for the Regular
Session of 2004 and providing contingent funds for the House of
Representatives and Senate for the fiscal year beginning
July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2004, as follows:

For salaries, mileage, insurance,

matching funds and daily

expense allowance of members

of the House of Representatives........... $3,575,752.00

For Contingent Fund for the

House of Representatives.................. $4,372,889.00

Out of the above amount appropriated for the Contingent Fund
for the House of Representatives, not more than Fifteen Thousand
Dollars ($15,000.00) shall be expended for defraying the expenses
of and for the use of the members of the Mississippi Commission on
Interstate Cooperation, as created under Section 5-5-1 et seq.,
For salaries, mileage, insurance, 
matching funds and daily 
expense allowance of members 
of the Senate......................... $1,526,403.00 
For Contingent Fund for the Senate........ $3,446,759.00 
Out of the above amount appropriated for the Contingent Fund 
for the Senate, not more than Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) 
shall be expended for defraying the expenses of and for the use of 
the members of the Mississippi Commission on Interstate 
Cooperation, as created under Section 5-5-1 et seq., Mississippi 

For the joint legislative operations of the House of 
Representatives and the Senate.......... $1,375,868.00 
For the expenses of the Joint Legislative 
Budget Committee...................... $2,465,978.00 
For the expenses of the Joint Legislative 
Committee on Performance Evaluation 
and Expenditure Review.................. $1,888,279.00 
For the expenses of the Joint Legislative 
Reapportionment Committee.............. $ 161,331.00 
For the expenses of the Joint Committee on 
Compilation, Revision and Publication of 
Legislation............................. $ 297,000.00 

The Joint Legislative Reapportionment Committee shall 
prepare, publish and provide semiannual reports to each member of 
the Legislature and such reports shall provide a line-by-line 
detailed accounting of all receipts and expenditures of any and 
all monies appropriated by the Legislature to the Joint 
Legislative Reapportionment Committee. Any meetings of the Joint 
Legislative Reapportionment Committee shall be held in state 
offices or at publicly owned facilities.

SECTION 2. The following sums, or so much thereof as may be 
necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State 

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General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying
the monthly expense allowance of the members of the Legislature,
as provided in Section 5-1-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the
fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2004, as
follows:

For the House of Representatives ............ $2,036,468.00.
For the Senate ................................ $ 883,643.00.

SECTION 3. 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, for the purpose of paying
the state's share of various assessments for the fiscal year
beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2004.................

.................................................. $ 281,710.00.

Of the funds authorized in this section, the following
distribution shall be made:

Southern States Energy Board ............ $ 27,288.00
Southern Growth Policies Agreement .... $ 22,842.00
Interstate Cooperation ....................... $ 180,717.00
National Conference of Commissioners
on Uniform State Laws ..................... $ 27,400.00
The Energy Council ......................... $ 23,463.00

SECTION 4. The Legislature shall have the authority to
escalate its budget and expend funds from the Legislative
Extraordinary Session Expense Revolving Fund, as authorized in
Section 5-1-57, Mississippi Code of 1972, in accordance with rules
and regulations of the Department of Finance and Administration in
a manner consistent with the escalation of federal funds. The
authority granted in this section is provided for the purpose of
paying the expenses of the members of the Legislature incurred
during any Extraordinary Session of the Legislature occurring
during the period beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30,
2004.
SECTION 5. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State
General Fund to the credit of the House of Representatives,
pursuant to House Bill No. 1799, Regular Session of 2002, for the

................................. $ 25,000.00.

SECTION 6. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State
General Fund to the credit of the Joint Legislative Budget
Committee, pursuant to House Bill No. 1799, Regular Session of
2002, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June
30, 2004........................................... $ 200,000.00.

SECTION 7. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State
General Fund to the credit of the Joint Legislative
Reapportionment Committee, pursuant to House Bill No. 1799,
Regular Session of 2002, for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
2003, and ending June 30, 2004..................... $ 20,000.00.

SECTION 8. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, 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 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from
and after July 1, 2003.