By: Senator(s) Gordon, Little, Harvey

SENATE BILL NO. 2924 (As Passed the Senate)

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE 1 PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI INSTITUTE FOR 2 FOREST INVENTORY FOR FISCAL YEARS 2003 and 2004. 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 4 SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be 5 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State 6 Treasury to the credit of the Budget Contingency Fund created in 7 Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the purpose of 8 defraying the expenses of the Mississippi Institute for Forest 9 Inventory for the period beginning upon passage of this act and 10 through June 30, 2004..... \$ 220,000.00. 11 SECTION 2. With the funds appropriated under the provisions 12 13 of this act, the following positions are authorized and shall be under the authority of the State Personnel Board: 14 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 15 Full Time..... Permanent: 8 16 Part Time..... 17 0 Time-Limited: 18 Full Time..... 0 Part Time..... 19 0 20 SECTION 3. This appropriation is made for the purpose of 21 providing funds to defray the expenses of the Mississippi Institute for Forest Inventory as established in Section 22 49-19-403. 23 SECTION 4. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 24 Mississippi Institute for Forest Inventory is hereby authorized to 25 26 accept, budget and expend funds, not to exceed One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00), from any source in accordance with rules and 27

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30 SECTION 5. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by 31 the State Treasurer out of any money in the proper fund or funds 32 as set forth in this act, upon warrants issued by the State Fiscal 33 Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrants 34 upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers 35 in the manner provided by law.

36 **SECTION 6.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 37 and after its passage and through June 30, 2004.