

By: Representative Pierce

To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 253

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING  
2 THE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD EDUCATIONAL  
3 ASSISTANCE LAW AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 33-7-401 ET SEQ.,  
4 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
7 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
8 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of  
9 defraying the general expenses of the operation of the Mississippi  
10 National Guard Educational Assistance Law as provided in Section  
11 33-7-401 et seq., for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, and  
12 ending June 30, 2004..... \$ 800,000.00.

13 **SECTION 2.** The acceptance and expenditure of federal funds  
14 which may become available for the purpose of defraying the  
15 expenses of the operation of the Mississippi National Guard  
16 Education Assistance Law as provided in Section 33-7-401 et seq.,  
17 is hereby authorized and approved, provided such expenditures are  
18 reported and otherwise handled in accordance with the state budget  
19 law, same being Section 27-103-1 et seq.

20 **SECTION 3.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
21 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
22 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
23 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
24 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
25 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

26 **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
27 and after July 1, 2004.