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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1729

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 2005.

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, 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, 2004, and
12 ending June 30, 2005..... \$ 15,567,028.00.

13 SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
14 Sections 1 and 2, not more than the amounts set forth below shall
15 be 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..... \$14,374,449.00
20 Travel Expenses..... 377,505.00
21 Tort Claims Assessment..... \$ 47,074.00

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, office
29 expenses and such funds for salaries shall be provided as
30 authorized in Section 25-3-35(6), Mississippi Code of 1972, to
31 fund the salary for one (1) full-time legal assistant in the Sixth
32 Circuit Court District as authorized in Section 25-31-5(2)(f),
33 Mississippi Code of 1972.

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

40 **SECTION 5.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
41 and after July 1, 2004.