Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 1745

TO THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE SENATE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

5	SECTION 1. The	following sum, or so much thereof	as may be
6	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in any special		
7	fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi		
8	Department of Insurance which is comprised of special source funds		
9	collected by or otherwise available to the department, for the		
10	purpose of defraying the expenses of the department for the fiscal		
11	year beginning July 1, 2004, and ending June 30, 2005		
12	\$ 7,549,800.00.		
13	SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of		
14	Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be		
15	expended for the respective major objects or purposes of		
16	expenditure:		
17	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:		
18	Personal Services	s:	
19	Salaries, Wa	ages and Fringe Benefits \$	5,086,770.00
20	Travel and	Subsistence	200,000.00
21	Contractual Serv	ices	1,838,500.00
22	Commodities		287,021.00
23	Capital Outlay:		
24	Other Than I	Equipment	0.00
25	Equipment		137,009.00
26	Subsidies, Loans	and Grants	500.00
27	Total	\$	7,549,800.00
28	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:		
29	Permanent: Fi	ull Time 114	
30	Pa	art Time0	
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31	Time-Limited: Full Time		
32	Part Time 0		
33	With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of		
34	the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to		
35	make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal		
36	Services" for Fiscal Year 2006 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2005		
37	funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions		
38	are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2006 budget by the		
39	Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the		
40	Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall		
41	determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all		
42	appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this		
43	act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure		
44	that no single personnel action increases this projected annual		
45	cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation for "Personal		
46	Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.		
47	If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal		
48	Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency		
49	has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this		
50	projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2005 "Personal Services"		
51	appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which		
52	reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation		
53	requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until		
54	such time as the requirements of this provision are met.		
55	Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with		
56	the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or		
57	allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State		
58	Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written		
59	approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The		
60	Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written		
61	approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions		
62	without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the		
63	appropriated level.		
64	No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be		
65	used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are		

- 66 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this
- 67 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.
- SECTION 3. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 68
- 69 Mississippi Department of Insurance shall maintain complete
- 70 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all
- funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be 71
- 72 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal
- 73 Year 2004. It is further the intention of the Legislature that
- 74 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2006 shall be
- submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format 75
- 76 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail
- 77 provided during the Fiscal Year 2005 budget request process.
- 78 SECTION 4. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
- 79 Section 1, and authorized for expenditure in Section 2, Sixteen
- 80 Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-one Dollars (\$16,451.00) is provided
- 81 for the Mississippi Fire Personnel Minimum Standards and
- 82 Certification Board.
- 83 SECTION 5. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
- 84 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the special
- fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the Rural Fire Truck 85
- 86 Acquisition Fund to the Mississippi Department of Insurance for
- 87 the Rural Fire Truck Acquisition Assistance Program for the fiscal
- 88 year beginning July 1, 2004, and ending June 30, 2005......
- 89\$ 1,560,598.00.
- 90 SECTION 6. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
- Section 1 and authorized for expenditure in Section 2, funds in 91
- the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) are provided and 92
- shall be expended to pay the annual dues for the National 93
- 94 Conference of Insurance Legislators.
- 95 SECTION 7. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
- the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the 96
- 97 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 98
- 99 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
- proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law. 100

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2004.

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