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HOUSE BILL NO.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-13-407, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT IN FISCAL YEAR 2005 CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SUMS SHALL BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE HEALTH CARE TRUST FUND TO THE HEALTH CARE EXPENDABLE FUND; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 6 **SECTION 1.** Section 43-13-407, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 7 amended as follows:
- 8 43-13-407. (1) In accordance with the purposes of this
- 9 article, there is established in the State Treasury the Health
- 10 Care Expendable Fund, into which shall be transferred from the
- 11 Health Care Trust Fund the following sums:
- 12 (a) In fiscal year 2005, Four Hundred Fifty-six Million
- 13 Dollars (\$456,000,000.00);
- 14 (b) In fiscal year 2006, One Hundred Eighty-six Million
- 15 Dollars (\$186,000,000.00);
- 16 (c) In fiscal year 2007, One Hundred Forty-six Million
- 17 Dollars (\$146,000,000.00);
- 18 (d) In fiscal year 2008, One Hundred Six Million
- 19 Dollars (\$106,000,000.00);
- 20 (e) In fiscal year 2009, Sixty-six Million Dollars
- 21 (\$66,000,000.00);
- 22 (f) In fiscal year 2010 and each fiscal year
- 23 thereafter, a sum equal to the average annual amount of the
- 24 dividends, interest and other income, including increases in value
- 25 of the principal, earned on the funds in the Health Care Trust
- 26 Fund during the preceding four (4) fiscal years.
- 27 (2) In any fiscal year in which interest, dividends and
- 28 other income from the investment of the funds in the Health Care

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- 29 Trust Fund are not sufficient to fund the full amount of the
- 30 annual transfer into the Health Care Expendable Fund as required
- 31 in subsection (1)(f) of this section, the State Treasurer shall
- 32 transfer from tobacco settlement installment payments an amount
- 33 that is sufficient to fully fund the amount of the annual
- 34 transfer.
- 35 (3) (a) On March 6, 2002, the State Treasurer shall
- transfer the sum of Eighty-seven Million Dollars (\$87,000,000.00)
- 37 from the Health Care Trust Fund into the Health Care Expendable
- 38 Fund. In addition, at the time the State of Mississippi receives
- 39 the tobacco settlement installment payments for each of the
- 40 calendar years 2002 and 2003, the State Treasurer shall deposit
- 41 the full amount of each of those installment payments into the
- 42 Health Care Expendable Fund.
- (b) If during any fiscal year after March 6, 2002, the
- 44 general fund revenues received by the state exceed the general
- 45 fund revenues received during the previous fiscal year by more
- 46 than five percent (5%), the Legislature shall repay to the Health
- 47 Care Trust Fund one-third (1/3) of the amount of the general fund
- 48 revenues that exceed the five percent (5%) growth in general fund
- 49 revenues. The repayment required by this paragraph shall continue
- in each fiscal year in which there is more than five percent (5%)
- 51 growth in general fund revenues, until the full amount of the
- 52 funds that were transferred and deposited into the Health Care
- 53 Expendable Fund under the provisions of paragraph (a) of this
- 54 subsection have been repaid to the Health Care Trust Fund.
- 55 (4) All income from the investment of the funds in the
- 56 Health Care Expendable Fund shall be credited to the account of
- 57 the Health Care Expendable Fund. Any funds in the Health Care
- 58 Expendable Fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into
- 59 the State General Fund.
- (5) The funds in the Health Care Expendable Fund shall be
- 61 available for expenditure under specific appropriation by the

- 62 Legislature beginning in fiscal year 2000, and shall be expended
- 63 exclusively for health care purposes.
- (6) The provisions of subsection (1) of this section may not
- 65 be changed in any manner except upon amendment to that subsection
- 66 by a bill enacted by the Legislature with a vote of not less than
- 67 three-fifths (3/5) of the members of each house present and
- 68 voting.
- 69 (7) Subsections (1), (2), (4) and (5) of this section shall
- 70 stand repealed on July 1, 2009.
- 71 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 72 and after its passage.