

By: Senator(s) Gordon, Little, Chaney, Burton, Frazier, Harden, Moffatt To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2050

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE AID AND SUPPORT OF THE
2 PUBLIC COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
3 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006.

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

5 SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
6 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
7 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the aid and support
8 of the public community and junior colleges for the fiscal year
9 beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2006.....
10 \$ 79,767,321.00.

11 SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
12 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
13 Education Enhancement Fund deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75
14 and 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, not otherwise
15 appropriated, for the aid and support of public community and
16 junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, and
17 ending June 30, 2006..... \$ 31,375,725.00.

18 SECTION 3. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
19 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the Budget
20 Contingency Fund, created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code
21 of 1972, for the aid and support of the public community and
22 junior colleges, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, and
23 ending June 30, 2006..... \$ 13,279,586.00.

24 SECTION 4. The funds appropriated in this act for the aid
25 and support of the public and community junior colleges shall be
26 apportioned in accordance with the following assigned weights:

27 Assigned Weight

	2/5 Head Count	3/5 FTE
<u>Formula Section</u>	<u>Formula</u>	<u>Formula</u>
(1) Aid to Colleges:		
Base	5% of prior year appropriation	11% prior year appropriation
Academic	1.0	1.0
Technical	1.06	1.0
Virtual Comm. College	.55	.50
(2) Vocational	.79	1.0
(3) Part-time	.55	
(4) Associate Degree Nursing	1.0	1.19
(5) Associate Degree Allied Health		1.19

In the 2/5 Head Count Formula such Academic, Technical, and Vocational funds shall be disbursed to such public community and junior colleges on the basis of the full-time enrollment of each such public community and junior college as of the last day of the sixth week of the fall semester, or its equivalent, of the preceding year, counting only students who reside within the State of Mississippi. Part-time academic, vocational and technical credit courses may qualify on the basis of the prior year full-time equivalency of part-time and summer students, counting only students who reside within the State of Mississippi.

Virtual Community College hosted and provided courses may qualify on the basis of the prior year full-time equivalency of Virtual Community College hours generated during the summer, fall and spring semesters that did not make a student full time in the fall semester.

In the 3/5 FTE Formula, such Academic, Technical, Vocational, Associate Degree Nursing and Associate Degree Allied Health funds shall be disbursed on the basis of prior year full-time

61 equivalency (FTE) of hours generated during the summer, fall and
62 spring semesters for each public community and junior college as
63 of the last day of the sixth week of each semester, or its
64 equivalent, counting only students who reside within the State of
65 Mississippi. However, associate degree nursing students who
66 reside outside the State of Mississippi may be counted for pay
67 purposes.

68 Virtual Community College hosted and provided courses may
69 qualify on the basis of the prior year full-time equivalency of
70 Virtual Community College hours generated during the summer, fall
71 and spring semesters. Those semester credit hours being hosted
72 and provided by one institution shall receive funding at the
73 weight of 1.0.

74 Of the funds appropriated in the act for the aid and support
75 of the public community and junior colleges, funds up to One
76 Million Seven Hundred Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$1,717,000.00)
77 are provided to be set aside as a mechanism to hold harmless those
78 colleges that lose funding in the third year of a five-year
79 phase-in implementation period to a full-time equivalency (FTE)
80 funding formula.

81 The Director of the State Board for Community and Junior
82 Colleges, or his designee, shall audit each public community and
83 junior college and shall determine who shall be counted in each
84 college and shall certify the number to the State Board for
85 Community and Junior Colleges.

86 If, pending determination of the enrollment of students at
87 the public community and junior colleges entitled to participate
88 in this appropriation, as provided for in this subsection, the
89 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges shall find and
90 determine that any such public or community junior college does
91 not have sufficient funds on hand for payment of the necessary
92 expenses of its operation for the period commencing July 1, 2005,
93 until distribution of the funds appropriated hereby, then, in that

94 event, the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges is
95 expressly authorized to make an advance to any such public
96 community or junior college or colleges not having sufficient
97 operating funds for such period from the funds appropriated
98 hereby; provided, however, that the amount of any such advance to
99 any one public community or junior college shall not exceed
100 thirty-three percent (33%) of the amount of state appropriated
101 funds received by such public community or junior college during
102 the preceding fiscal year; and provided, further, that the amount
103 of any such advance shall be deducted from the pro rata part of
104 the funds appropriated hereby accruing to said public community or
105 junior college when enrollment has been ascertained and
106 distribution of funds is made.

107 **SECTION 5.** No part of the amount herein appropriated shall
108 be used by the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for
109 administrative or other purposes except in the manner and to the
110 extent authorized in the act making an appropriation for the
111 expenses of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges.

112 **SECTION 6.** The funds disbursed under the provisions of this
113 act shall be accounted for through the State Board for Community
114 and Junior Colleges.

115 **SECTION 7.** The following public community and junior
116 colleges which qualify shall participate in the funds provided by
117 Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this act:

118 Coahoma Community College, Copiah-Lincoln Community College,
119 East Central Community College, East Mississippi Community
120 College, Hinds Community College District, Holmes Community
121 College, Itawamba Community College, Jones County Junior College,
122 Meridian Community College, Mississippi Delta Community College,
123 Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College District, Northeast
124 Mississippi Community College, Northwest Mississippi Community
125 College, Pearl River Community College, and Southwest Mississippi
126 Community College.

127 **SECTION 8.** It is the intention of the Legislature that none
128 of the General Funds appropriated herein shall be expended for the
129 purpose of paying salaries, wages, and fringe benefits of any
130 public community and junior college employee who is serving as a
131 member of the State of Mississippi Legislature.

132 **SECTION 9.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
133 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
134 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for
135 Community and Junior Colleges for the purposes of hiring nursing
136 and allied health teachers, awarding interest free nursing and
137 allied health student loans and providing instructional support
138 for the Rural Health Corps for the fiscal year beginning
139 July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2006..... \$ 1,200,000.00.

140 The funds appropriated in this section shall be allocated as
141 follows:

142 (1) One-half (1/2) divided equally among the fifteen (15)
143 public community and junior colleges.

144 (2) One-half (1/2) divided upon the basis of the number of
145 full-time academic, technical and vocational public community and
146 junior college students actually enrolled and in attendance on the
147 last day of the sixth week of the fall semester or its equivalent
148 of the preceding year counting only those students who reside
149 within the State of Mississippi.

150 The public community and junior colleges shall prepare and
151 make available to the Legislature and the Legislative Budget
152 Office an accounting of expenditures and program accomplishments
153 of the Rural Health Corps Program for each of the individual
154 community and junior colleges in a format and manner prescribed by
155 the Legislative Budget Office.

156 **SECTION 10.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
157 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
158 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the aid of the public
159 community and junior colleges, to fund life and health insurance,

160 for all employees of the public community and junior colleges for
161 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2006.
162 \$ 18,494,100.00.

163 The funds allocated in this section shall only be used to
164 participate in the State and School Employees' Life and Health
165 Insurance Plan. Any funds appropriated in this section which are
166 not expended during the fiscal year shall be carried forward for
167 the same purposes during the next succeeding fiscal year.

168 **SECTION 11.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
169 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
170 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of
171 establishing and operating One-Stop Career Centers at each of the
172 public community and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning
173 July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2006..... \$ 4,500,000.00.

174 **SECTION 12.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
175 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
176 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for
177 Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of defraying the
178 cost of Sign Language Interpreter Training at the public community
179 and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005,
180 and ending June 30, 2006..... \$ 179,050.00.

181 **SECTION 13.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
182 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
183 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for
184 Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of defraying the
185 cost of the Education Technology Program at the public community
186 and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005,
187 and ending June 30, 2006..... \$ 3,599,160.00.

188 **SECTION 14.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
189 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
190 Education Enhancement Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the
191 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of
192 defraying the cost of servicing the debt on bonds issued for the

193 Education Technology Program at the community and junior colleges
 194 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, and ending
 195 June 30, 2006..... \$ 3,132,638.00.

196 The funds appropriated in this section shall be derived from
 197 Education Enhancement Funds deposited pursuant to Sections
 198 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

199 **SECTION 15.** A Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition
 200 (MPACT) program beneficiary shall be considered a Mississippi
 201 resident for the purposes of participating in this appropriation
 202 regardless of the beneficiary's residence on the date of
 203 enrollment, as set out in Mississippi Code Annotated, Section
 204 37-155-5(d)(iii).

205 **SECTION 16.** In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance
 206 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of
 207 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
 208 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
 209 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,
 210 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted
 211 performance measures provided below:

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<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>Target</u>
Instruction	
Cumulative grade point average of community college transfer students attending State Institutions of Higher Learning will equal or exceed the Grade Point Average earned by native students in the same university system (GPA based on a 4.0 scale)	2.80
Average Class Size (Students/Class)	22
Percentage of community & junior college associate degree nursing graduates who pass the state board nursing exam on the first write (%)	92

226 Percentage of full-time & adjunct
 227 (part-time) faculty who met the criteria
 228 for academic & professional preparation (%) 100
 229 Percentage of vocational-technical
 230 students who complete or exit a program
 231 & are considered positively placed (%) 92
 232 Total cost per full-time equivalent
 233 student (\$) 4,806.00

234 Physical Plant Operation

235 Percentage of community & junior colleges
 236 with a written comprehensive safety &
 237 health program implemented to ensure safe
 238 working conditions & practices (%) 100

239 Number of student injuries on community
 240 & junior colleges grounds (Students) 58

241 Number of employee injuries on community
 242 & junior colleges grounds (Employees) 65

243 A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets
 244 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the
 245 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget
 246 Committee for Fiscal Year 2007.

247 **SECTION 17.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
 248 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
 249 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for
 250 Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of defraying the
 251 cost of Advanced Training Centers at each of the Public Community
 252 and Junior Colleges, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005,
 253 and ending June 30, 2006.....\$ 2,250,000.00.

254 **SECTION 18.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
 255 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
 256 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
 257 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal

258 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
259 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

260 **SECTION 19.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
261 and after July 1, 2005.