

26	Personal Services:		
27	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits..	\$	841,465.00
28	Travel and Subsistence.....		30,197.00
29	Contractual Services.....		877,641.00
30	Commodities.....		45,945.00
31	Capital Outlay:		
32	Other Than Equipment.....		0.00
33	Equipment.....		0.00
34	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....		<u>2,250,600.00</u>
35	Total.....	\$	4,045,848.00

36	FUNDING:		
37	General Funds.....	\$	729,345.00
38	Special Funds.....		<u>3,316,503.00</u>
39	Total.....	\$	4,045,848.00

40	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:		
41	Permanent: Full Time.....		15
42	Part Time.....		0
43	Time-Limited: Full Time.....		3
44	Part Time.....		0

45 Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation
46 Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase
47 equal to the realignment component of the Variable Compensation
48 Plan or Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), whichever is greater,
49 with not more than one-half (1/2) to be awarded on July 1, 2006,
50 with the remainder to be awarded on January 1, 2007.

51 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of
52 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to
53 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal
54 Services" for Fiscal Year 2008 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2007
55 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions
56 are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2008 budget by the
57 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the

58 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall
59 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all
60 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this
61 act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure
62 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual
63 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2007 appropriation for "Personal
64 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.
65 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal
66 Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency
67 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this
68 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2007 "Personal Services"
69 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which
70 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation
71 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until
72 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

73 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
74 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
75 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
76 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
77 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The
78 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
79 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
80 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the
81 appropriated level.

82 No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be
83 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are
84 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this
85 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

86 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
87 State Soil and Water Conservation Commission shall maintain
88 complete accounting and personnel records related to the
89 expenditure of all funds appropriated under this act and that such

90 records shall be in the same format and level of detail as
91 maintained for Fiscal Year 2006. It is further the intention of
92 the Legislature that the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year
93 2008 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee
94 in a format and level of detail comparable to the format and level
95 of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2007 budget request
96 process.

97 **SECTION 5.** The State Soil and Water Conservation Commission
98 is hereby authorized to retain all funds generated from the sale
99 of equipment. Any funds made available from the sale of equipment
100 shall be deposited into the special fund in the State Treasury to
101 the credit of the Soil and Water Conservation Commission and shall
102 be used solely for the purpose of purchasing equipment.

103 **SECTION 6.** The State Soil and Water Conservation Commission
104 is hereby authorized to receive, budget and expend any proceeds
105 derived from the sale of bonds authorized in Section 69-27-331 et
106 seq., Mississippi Code of 1972. All expenditures shall be in
107 accordance with conditions provided in Section 69-27-331 et seq.,
108 Mississippi Code of 1972.

109 **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
110 Soil and Water Conservation Commission shall have the authority to
111 escalate its budget and expend funds from any source not to exceed
112 Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00) in accordance
113 with rules and regulations of the Department of Finance and
114 Administration in a manner consistent with the escalation of
115 federal funds.

116 **SECTION 8.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 1, it is the
117 intention of the Legislature that an amount not to exceed
118 Sixty-five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000.00) be used for the purpose
119 of funding a Beaver Control Cost Share program. The Mississippi
120 Soil and Water Conservation Commission shall promulgate rules and
121 regulations for the establishment and operation of the program on

122 a fund matching basis with the county unit of government. Funds
123 not expended or encumbered in a county may be transferred to
124 another county during the fiscal year. Only those funds
125 specifically appropriated for the Beaver Control Cost Share
126 program shall be used in any such program.

127 **SECTION 9.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
128 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
129 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
130 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
131 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
132 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
133 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
134 made without competitive bids.

135 **SECTION 10.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
136 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
137 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
138 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
139 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
140 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

141 **SECTION 11.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
142 and after July 1, 2006.

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