

By: Representatives Stringer, Brown, Flaggs, Holland, Peranich, Watson, Reynolds, Hudson, Clark, Scott, Franks, Patterson, Perkins To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 242

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 2008; TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR A PAY INCREASE OF
4 FIVE PERCENT FOR THE FACULTY AND STAFF OF THOSE COLLEGES; AND FOR
5 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much of it as may be
8 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State General
9 Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the aid and support of the
10 public community and junior colleges, for the purposes of hiring
11 nursing and allied health teachers, awarding interest free nursing
12 and allied health student loans and providing instructional
13 support for the Rural Health Corps, to fund life and health
14 insurance for all employees of the public community and junior
15 colleges, for the purpose of establishing and operating Workforce
16 Development Centers at each of the public community and junior
17 colleges, and for the purpose of defraying the costs of Sign
18 Language Interpreter Training, the Education Technology Program
19 and the Advanced Training Centers at each of the public community
20 and junior colleges, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007,
21 and ending June 30, 2008..... \$ 193,460,223.00.

22 SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much of it as may be
23 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the Education
24 Enhancement Fund deposited under Sections 27-65-75 and 27-67-31,
25 Mississippi Code of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, for the aid
26 and support of public community and junior colleges and for the
27 purpose of defraying the cost of servicing the debt on bonds
28 issued for the Education Technology Program at the community and

29 junior colleges, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and  
30 ending June 30, 2008..... \$ 43,613,580.00.

31 **SECTION 3.** The funds appropriated in this act for the aid  
32 and support of the public community and junior colleges shall be  
33 apportioned in accordance with the funding formula of the State  
34 Board for Community and Junior Colleges.

35 **SECTION 4.** Of the funds appropriated in Sections 1 and 2 of  
36 this act, the following amount is provided for a pay increase of  
37 five percent (5%) for the faculty and staff of the public  
38 community and junior colleges..... \$15,713,435.00.

39 **SECTION 5.** The money appropriated in this act shall be paid  
40 by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to  
41 the credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act,  
42 upon warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State  
43 Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed  
44 by the proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided  
45 by law.

46 **SECTION 6.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
47 and after July 1, 2007.