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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1662

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FROM SPECIAL FUNDS IN THE
2 STATE TREASURY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE
3 BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
4 THERAPISTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2008.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be
7 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the special fund in
8 the State Treasury to the credit of the Board of Examiners for
9 Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists for the purpose
10 of defraying the expenses of the board for the fiscal year
11 beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....
12 \$ 344,474.00.

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:

| | | | |
|----|---------------------------------------|----|------------|
| 19 | Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. | \$ | 181,644.00 |
| 20 | Travel and Subsistence..... | | 20,000.00 |
| 21 | Contractual Services..... | | 118,030.00 |
| 22 | Commodities..... | | 19,800.00 |

23 Capital Outlay:

| | | |
|----|-------------------------------------|----------|
| 24 | Other Than Equipment..... | 0.00 |
| 25 | Equipment..... | 5,000.00 |
| 26 | Vehicles..... | 0.00 |
| 27 | Wireless Communication Devices..... | 0.00 |
| 28 | Subsidies, Loans and Grants..... | 0.00 |

29 Total..... \$ 344,474.00

30 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

| | | |
|------------------------|----------------|---|
| 31 Permanent: | Full Time..... | 5 |
| 32 | Part Time..... | 0 |
| 33 Time-Limited: | Full Time..... | 0 |
| 34 | Part Time..... | 0 |

35 Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation
36 Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase
37 equal to the realignment component of the Variable Compensation
38 Plan or One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), whichever
39 is greater.

40 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of
41 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to
42 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal
43 Services" for Fiscal Year 2009 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2008
44 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions
45 are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2009 budget by the
46 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the
47 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall
48 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all
49 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this
50 act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure
51 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual
52 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2008 appropriation for "Personal
53 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.
54 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal
55 Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency
56 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this
57 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2008 "Personal Services"
58 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which
59 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation
60 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until
61 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

62 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
63 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
64 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
65 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
66 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The
67 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
68 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
69 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the
70 appropriated level.

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

75 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
76 Board of Examiners for Social Workers and Marriage and Family
77 Therapists shall maintain complete accounting and personnel
78 records related to the expenditure of all funds appropriated under
79 this act and that such records shall be in the same format and
80 level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year 2007. It is further
81 the intention of the Legislature that the agency's budget request
82 for Fiscal Year 2009 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative
83 Budget Committee in a format and level of detail comparable to the
84 format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2008
85 budget request process.

86 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
87 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
88 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
89 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
90 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
91 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
92 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
93 made without competitive bids.

94 **SECTION 5.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
95 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
96 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
97 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
98 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
99 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

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