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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1672

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING
2 THE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI AUCTIONEERS COMMISSION FOR THE
3 FISCAL YEAR 2008.

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 Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Auctioneers Commission
8 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the commission, for
9 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.

10 \$ 103,604.00.

11 SECTION 2. With the funds appropriated under the provisions
12 of Section 1, the following positions are authorized:

13 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

14	Permanent:	Full Time.....	1
15		Part Time.....	0
16	Time-Limited:	Full Time.....	0
17		Part Time.....	0

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

23 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of
24 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to
25 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal
26 Services" for Fiscal Year 2009 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2008
27 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions

28 are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2009 budget by the
29 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the
30 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall
31 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all
32 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this
33 act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure
34 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual
35 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2008 appropriation for "Personal
36 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.
37 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal
38 Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency
39 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this
40 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2008 "Personal Services"
41 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which
42 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation
43 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until
44 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

45 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
46 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
47 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
48 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
49 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The
50 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
51 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
52 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the
53 appropriated level.

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

58 Of the above funds, none may be expended by this act to
59 provide for any regulatory authority over livestock auctioneers
60 conducting sales for an individual of his own property.

61 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
62 Mississippi Auctioneers Commission shall maintain complete
63 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all
64 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be
65 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal
66 Year 2007. It is further the intention of the Legislature that
67 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2009 shall be
68 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format
69 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail
70 provided during the Fiscal Year 2008 budget request process.

71 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
72 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
73 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
74 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
75 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
76 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
77 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
78 made without competitive bids.

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

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