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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1692  
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING  
2 THE EXPENSES OF THE GRAND GULF MILITARY MONUMENT COMMISSION FOR  
3 THE 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 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of  
8 defraying the expenses of the Grand Gulf Military Monument  
9 Commission in the operation and maintenance of the Grand Gulf  
10 Military Monument for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and  
11 ending June 30, 2008..... \$ 267,021.00.

12 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
13 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the special  
14 fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the Grand Gulf  
15 Military Monument Commission, for the purpose of defraying the  
16 expenses of the commission in the operation and maintenance of the  
17 Grand Gulf Military Monument for the fiscal year beginning  
18 July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008..... \$ 86,902.00.

19 **SECTION 3.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of  
20 Sections 1 and 2, the following positions are authorized:

21 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

22	Permanent:	Full Time.....	7
23		Part Time.....	2
24	Time-Limited:	Full Time.....	0
25		Part Time.....	0

26 Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation  
27 Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase

28 equal to the realignment component of the Variable Compensation  
29 Plan or One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), whichever  
30 is greater, to be awarded on July 1, 2007.

31 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of  
32 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to  
33 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal  
34 Services" for Fiscal Year 2009 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2008  
35 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions  
36 are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2008 budget by the  
37 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the  
38 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall  
39 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all  
40 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this  
41 act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure  
42 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual  
43 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2008 appropriations for "Personal  
44 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds  
45 and educational benchmarks. If, at the time the agency takes any  
46 action to change "Personal Services", the State Personnel Board  
47 determines that the agency has taken an action which would cause  
48 the agency to exceed this projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year  
49 2008 "Personal Services" appropriated level, when annualized, then  
50 only those actions which reduce the projected annual cost and/or  
51 the appropriation requirement will be processed by the State  
52 Personnel Board until such time as the requirements of this  
53 provision are met. On January 1, 2008, the State Personnel Board  
54 will make adjustments to the structure side of the compliance  
55 report based on data provided by the Legislative Budget Office in  
56 order for agencies to award educational benchmarks.

57 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with  
58 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or  
59 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State  
60 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written

61 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The  
62 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written  
63 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions  
64 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the  
65 appropriated level.

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

70 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
71 Grand Gulf Military Monument Commission shall maintain complete  
72 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all  
73 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be  
74 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal  
75 Year 2007. It is further the intention of the Legislature that  
76 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2009 shall be  
77 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format  
78 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail  
79 provided during the Fiscal Year 2008 budget request process.

80 **SECTION 5.** It shall be unlawful for any officer, employee or  
81 other person whatsoever to use or permit or authorize the use of  
82 any automobile or any other motor vehicle owned by the State of  
83 Mississippi or any department, agency or institution thereof for  
84 any purpose other than upon the official business of the State of  
85 Mississippi or any agency, department or institution thereof.

86 It is the intent of the Legislature that motor vehicles  
87 authorized to be owned and operated by this agency shall comply  
88 with Sections 25-1-77 through 25-1-93, Mississippi Code of 1972.

89 **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that  
90 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the  
91 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things  
92 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,  
93 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind

94 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to  
95 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are  
96 made without competitive bids.

97       **SECTION 7.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
98 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
99 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
100 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
101 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
102 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

103       **SECTION 8.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
104 and after July 1, 2007.