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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1699

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FROM SPECIAL FUNDS IN THE  
2 STATE TREASURY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE  
3 STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR FORESTERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
4 2008.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
7 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
8 Treasury to the credit of the State Board of Registered Foresters  
9 Fund, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the State Board  
10 of Registration for Foresters for the fiscal year beginning  
11 July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008..... \$ 33,300.00.

12 **SECTION 2.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
13 State Board of Registration for Foresters shall maintain complete  
14 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all  
15 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be  
16 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal  
17 Year 2007. It is further the intention of the Legislature that  
18 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2009 shall be  
19 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format  
20 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail  
21 provided during the Fiscal Year 2008 budget request process.

22 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that  
23 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the  
24 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things  
25 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,  
26 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind  
27 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to

28 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are  
29 made without competitive bids.

30         **SECTION 4.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
31 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
32 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
33 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
34 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
35 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

36         **SECTION 5.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
37 and after July 1, 2007.