

By: Senator(s) Dearing

To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3076

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
2 TO FULLY FUND THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EDUCATIONAL
3 SERVICES AT THE 17 YOUTH DETENTION CENTERS, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be
6 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State General
7 Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Department of Education
8 for the operation and maintenance of educational services at the
9 seventeen (17) youth detention centers for the fiscal year
10 beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008... \$2,375,000.00.

11 **SECTION 2.** With the funds appropriated under the provisions
12 of this act, the following positions and expenditures are
13 authorized:

14 One (1) full-time behavioral specialist, one (1) full-time
15 assistant teacher, and software and hardware computer technology,
16 or One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) total
17 for each center.

18 Additional contractual funding to the Department of Education
19 of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) for monitoring
20 services.

21 **SECTION 3.** The State Superintendent of Education shall have
22 the authority to transfer not more than twenty-five percent (25%)
23 of the general funds appropriated in this act to the appropriate
24 entities in whatever line items are necessary. The superintendent
25 shall submit justification for such a transfer to the Director of
26 the Legislative Budget Office and the Executive Director of the
27 Department of Finance and Administration on or before the

28 fifteenth day of the month preceding the month in which the
29 transfer is to be made. Notwithstanding any provision of this
30 section to the contrary, the superintendent shall not reduce
31 funding at any youth detention center below that which is required
32 to operate the educational services component at the youth
33 detention center at full funding of the reasonable cost of
34 operation at full capacity.

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

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