

By: Senator(s) Walls

To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3077

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF  
2 HEALTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING AND OPERATING TWO STD/HIV  
3 SPECIALTY CLINICS IN UNDERSERVED AREAS OF THE STATE, FOR THE  
4 FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 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 State General  
8 Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Department of Health  
9 for the purpose of expanding access to primary care for HIV  
10 disease, as provided in Section 2 of this act, for the fiscal  
11 year beginning July 1, 2007, and thereafter..... \$6,000,000.00.

12 SECTION 2. The money appropriated in Section 1 of this act  
13 shall be expended by the State Department of Health as follows:

14 (a) Develop and operate two (2) STD/HIV specialty  
15 clinics based on the Crossroads Clinics model in the Jackson  
16 Medical Mall in or near north/central Mississippi and  
17 southwest Mississippi..... \$3,500,000.00.

18 (b) Provide HIV antiretroviral medications to any  
19 Mississippian living with HIV disease unable to pay and/or qualify  
20 for various assistance programs free of charge..... \$2,000,000.00.

21 (c) Incorporate science-based, age-, culturally- and  
22 linguistically-appropriate STD/HIV prevention and education  
23 messages and interventions through clinic and outreach  
24 encounters in the counties immediately surrounding  
25 the clinics..... \$500,000.00.

26 (d) Any funds appropriated by this act that are not  
27 expended by the end of the fiscal year shall not lapse into the  
28 State General Fund.

29           **SECTION 3.** The money appropriated by this act shall be paid  
30 by the State Treasurer out of any money in the state General Fund  
31 not otherwise appropriated, upon warrants issued by the State  
32 Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his  
33 warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or  
34 officers in the manner provided by law.

35           **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
36 and after July 1, 2007.