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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3120

2	AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
4	SECTION 1. The following sum of money, or so much thereof as
5	may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
6	State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to defray the
7	expenses of the office of the State Treasurer for the fiscal year
8	beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008
9	\$ 631,223.00.
10	SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
11	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the special
12	fund entitled Abandoned Property Fund in the State Treasury for
13	the purpose of defraying expenses of the State Treasurer in
14	administering the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property and
15	certain other expenses of the office, for the fiscal year
16	beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008
17	\$ 2,630,877.00.
18	SECTION 3. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
19	Sections 1 and 2, not more than the amounts set forth below shall
20	be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of
21	expenditure:
22	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:
23	Personal Services:
24	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits \$ 1,975,064.00
25	Travel and Subsistence
26	Contractual Services
27	Commodities
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28	Capital Outlay:
29	Other Than Equipment
30	Equipment
31	Vehicles
32	Wireless Communication Devices 0.00
33	Subsidies, Loans and Grants
34	Total\$ 3,262,100.00
35	FUNDING:
36	General Funds\$ 631,223.00
37	Special Funds
38	Total\$ 3,262,100.00
39	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:
40	Permanent: Full Time 33
41	Part Time 0
42	Time-Limited: Full Time 0
43	Part Time 0
44	Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation
45	Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase
46	equal to the realignment component of the Variable Compensation
47	Plan or One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or Three Percent (3%)
48	whichever is greater, to be awarded on July 1, 2007.
49	With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of
50	the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to
51	make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal
52	Services" for Fiscal Year 2009 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2008
53	funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions
54	are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2009 budget by the
55	Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the
56	Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall
57	determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all
58	appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this
59	act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure
60	that no single personnel action increases this projected annual
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- 61 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2008 appropriation for "Personal
- 62 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.
- 63 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal
- 64 Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency
- 65 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this
- 66 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2008 "Personal Services"
- 67 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which
- 68 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation
- 69 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until
- 70 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.
- 71 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
- 72 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
- 73 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
- 74 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
- 75 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The
- 76 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
- 77 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
- 78 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the
- 79 appropriated level.
- No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be
- 81 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are
- 82 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this
- 83 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.
- The agency shall not take any action to promote or otherwise
- 85 award salary increases through reallocation, reclassification,
- 86 realignment, education benchmark, career ladder, or any other
- 87 means to increase salaries of employees or positions unless
- 88 specifically exempted by the following conditions: the award of
- 89 teacher pay increases, the advancement of a trainee/cadet to the
- 90 next level of a bona fide career ladder, the award of an
- 91 educational benchmark for the attainment of Certified Public
- 92 Accountant License or higher level professional certification as
- 93 determined by the State Personnel Board, the immediate replacement

94	of a departing employee with an individual from with	in state
95	service or a new hire at a salary level equivalent t	o that of the
96	departing employee, and the emergency appointment of	nurses,
97	pharmacists or other health care professionals at a	salary to be
98	determined by the State Personnel Board, unless othe	rwise
99	authorized in this act.	
100	SECTION 4. In addition to all other sums herei	n
101	appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof	as may be
102	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money i	n the State
103	Treasury to the credit of the Education Improvement	Trust Fund No.
104	3219 for the purpose of investing funds for the fisc	al year
105	beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008	
106	\$	125,000.00.
107	SECTION 5. The following sum, or so much there	of as may be
108	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money i	n the State
109	Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Prepaid Af	fordable
110	College Tuition Administrative Fund to defray the co	sts of the
111	Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition Progr	am for the
112	fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June	30, 2008
113	\$	1,221,764.00.
114	SECTION 6. Of the funds appropriated under the	provisions of
115	Section 5, not more than the amounts set forth below	shall be
116	expended for the respective major objects or purpose	s of
117	expenditure:	
118	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:	
119	Personal Services:	
120	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits \$	230,903.00
121	Travel and Subsistence	14,987.00
122	Contractual Services	937,742.00
123	Commodities	34,932.00
124	Capital Outlay:	
125	Other Than Equipment	0.00
126	Equipment	3,200.00

127	Vehicles 0.00
128	Wireless Communication Devices 0.00
129	Subsidies, Loans and Grants
130	Total\$ 1,221,764.00
131	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:
132	Permanent: Full Time 4
133	Part Time0
134	Time-Limited: Full Time0
135	Part Time 0
136	SECTION 7. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
137	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
138	Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Prepaid Affordable
139	College Tuition Trust Fund for the purpose of paying all amounts
140	due for prepaid tuition contracts of the Mississippi Prepaid
141	Affordable College Tuition Program, for the fiscal year beginning
142	July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008 \$ 18,000,000.00.
143	It is the intention of the Legislature that the State
144	Treasurer is hereby authorized to accept, budget and expend an
145	amount not to exceed One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) from any
146	funds authorized for the Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College
147	Tuition Program, for paying amounts due for prepaid tuition
148	contracts of the Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition
149	Program. Such funds shall be escalated in accordance with the
150	rules and regulations of the Department of Finance and
151	Administration in a manner consistent with the escalation of
152	federal funds.
153	SECTION 8. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
154	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
155	General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of
156	the Office of the State Treasurer-Health Care Trust Fund Board,
157	for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending
158	June 30, 2008\$ 43,028.00.

159	SECTION 9. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
160	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
161	Treasury to the credit of the Health Care Expendable Fund, created
162	under House Bill No. 519, 1999 Regular Session, for the purpose of
163	defraying the expenses of the Office of the State Treasurer for
164	the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending
165	June 30, 2008\$ 59,022.00.
166	SECTION 10. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions
167	of Sections 8 and 9, not more than the amounts set forth below
168	shall be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of
169	expenditure:
170	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:
171	Personal Services:
172	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits \$ 51,388.00
173	Travel and Subsistence
174	Contractual Services
175	Commodities
176	Capital Outlay:
177	Other Than Equipment
178	Equipment
179	Vehicles
180	Wireless Communication Devices 0.00
181	Subsidies, Loans and Grants
182	Total\$ 102,050.00
183	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:
184	Permanent: Full Time 1
185	Part Time 0
186	Time-Limited: Full Time 0
187	Part Time0
188	SECTION 11. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
189	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
190	Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Affordable College
191	Savings Administrative Fund to defray the costs of the Mississippi
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192	Affordable College Savings Program for the fiscal year beginning
193	July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008 \$ 179,592.00.
194	SECTION 12. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions
195	of Section 11, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be
196	expended for the respective major objects or purposes of
197	expenditure:
198	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:
199	Personal Services:
200	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits \$ 104,472.00
201	Travel and Subsistence
202	Contractual Services
203	Commodities
204	Capital Outlay:
205	Other Than Equipment
206	Equipment
207	Vehicles
208	Wireless Communication Devices 0.00
209	Subsidies, Loans and Grants
210	Total\$ 179,592.00
211	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:
212	Permanent: Full Time 2
213	Part Time0
214	Time-Limited: Full Time 0
215	Part Time0
216	SECTION 13. No part of the funds appropriated herein shall
217	be used in the payment of attorney's fees, nor shall any of said
218	funds be used either directly or indirectly, for the purpose of
219	paying any clerk, stenographer, assistant, deputy or other person
220	who may be related by blood or marriage within the third degree,
221	computed by the rules of the civil law, to the official employing
222	or having the right of employment or selection thereof; and in the
223	event of any such payment, then the official or person approving
224	and making or receiving such payment shall be jointly and
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225 severally liable to return to the State of Mississippi and to pay 226 into the State Treasury three (3) times any such amount so paid or 227 received, to be recovered at suit of the Attorney General; 228 provided that when the relationship is by affinity and the person 229 through whom the relationship was established is dead, this 230 provision shall not apply. SECTION 14. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 231 Office of the State Treasurer shall maintain complete accounting 232 and personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds 233 234 appropriated under the provisions of this act and that such 235 records shall be in the same format and level of details as maintained for Fiscal Year 2007. It is further the intention of 236 237 the Legislature that the budget request for Fiscal Year 2009 shall 238 be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail 239 240 provided during the Fiscal Year 2008 budget request process. 241 SECTION 15. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 242 State Treasurer's Office may authorize increases in major objects 243 of expenditure in total amounts not to exceed fifteen percent 244 (15%) of the appropriated amount of each major object of 245 expenditure, provided that other major objects of expenditure are 246 decreased by a corresponding dollar amount. However, no transfers 247 shall be authorized which increase the major object of expenditure 248 "Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits." 249 SECTION 16. It is the intention of the Legislature that 250 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the 251 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things 252 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind 253 254 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are 255 256 made without competitive bids.

SECTION 17. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.
SECTION 18. This act shall take effect and be in force from
and after July 1, 2007.