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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3160

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE
2 PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI PROFESSIONAL
3 COUNSELOR LICENSING BOARD 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 thereof as may be
6 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
7 Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Professional Counselor
8 Licensing Board, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
9 board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending
10 June 30, 2008..... \$ 111,760.00.

11 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
12 the terms, conditions, and procedures established by law.

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16 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

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

27 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
28 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
29 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
30 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
31 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
32 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
33 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
34 made without competitive bids.

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

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