



27	Technical	1.0
28	Virtual Comm.	
29	College	.50
30	(2) Vocational	1.0
31	(3) Associate Degree	
32	Nursing	1.19
33	(4) Associate Degree	
34	Allied Health	1.19

35 Academic, Technical, Vocational, Associate Degree Nursing and  
36 Associate Degree Allied Health funds shall be disbursed on the  
37 basis of prior year full-time equivalency (FTE) of hours generated  
38 during the summer, fall and spring semesters for each public  
39 community and junior college as of the last day of the sixth week  
40 of each semester, or its equivalent, counting only students who  
41 reside within the State of Mississippi. However, associate degree  
42 nursing students who reside outside the State of Mississippi may  
43 be counted for pay purposes.

44 Virtual Community College hosted and provided courses may  
45 qualify on the basis of the prior year full-time equivalency of  
46 Virtual Community College hours generated during the summer, fall  
47 and spring semesters. Those semester credit hours being hosted  
48 and provided by one institution shall receive funding at the  
49 weight of 1.0.

50 The Director of the State Board for Community and Junior  
51 Colleges, or his designee, shall audit each public community and  
52 junior college and shall determine who shall be counted in each  
53 college and shall certify the number to the State Board for  
54 Community and Junior Colleges.

55 If, pending determination of the enrollment of students at  
56 the public community and junior colleges entitled to participate  
57 in this appropriation, as provided for in this subsection, the  
58 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges shall find and

59 determine that any such public or community junior college does  
60 not have sufficient funds on hand for payment of the necessary  
61 expenses of its operation for the period commencing July 1, 2007,  
62 until distribution of the funds appropriated hereby, then, in that  
63 event, the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges is  
64 expressly authorized to make an advance to any such public  
65 community or junior college or colleges not having sufficient  
66 operating funds for such period from the funds appropriated  
67 hereby; provided, however, that the amount of any such advance to  
68 any one public community or junior college shall not exceed  
69 thirty-three percent (33%) of the amount of state appropriated  
70 funds received by such public community or junior college during  
71 the preceding fiscal year; and provided, further, that the amount  
72 of any such advance shall be deducted from the pro rata part of  
73 the funds appropriated hereby accruing to said public community or  
74 junior college when enrollment has been ascertained and  
75 distribution of funds is made.

76       **SECTION 4.** No part of the amount herein appropriated shall  
77 be used by the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for  
78 administrative or other purposes except in the manner and to the  
79 extent authorized in the act making an appropriation for the  
80 expenses of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges.

81       **SECTION 5.** The funds disbursed under the provisions of this  
82 act shall be accounted for through the State Board for Community  
83 and Junior Colleges.

84       **SECTION 6.** The following public community and junior  
85 colleges which qualify shall participate in the funds provided by  
86 Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this act:

87       Coahoma Community College, Copiah-Lincoln Community College,  
88 East Central Community College, East Mississippi Community  
89 College, Hinds Community College District, Holmes Community  
90 College, Itawamba Community College, Jones County Junior College,

91 Meridian Community College, Mississippi Delta Community College,  
92 Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College District, Northeast  
93 Mississippi Community College, Northwest Mississippi Community  
94 College, Pearl River Community College, and Southwest Mississippi  
95 Community College.

96       **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that none  
97 of the General Funds appropriated herein shall be expended for the  
98 purpose of paying salaries, wages, and fringe benefits of any  
99 public community and junior college employee who is serving as a  
100 member of the State of Mississippi Legislature.

101       **SECTION 8.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
102 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
103 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for  
104 Community and Junior Colleges for the purposes of hiring nursing  
105 and allied health teachers, awarding interest free nursing and  
106 allied health student loans and providing instructional support  
107 for the Rural Health Corps for the fiscal year beginning  
108 July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008..... \$       1,200,000.00.

109       The funds appropriated in this section shall be allocated as  
110 follows:

111       (1) One-half (1/2) divided equally among the fifteen (15)  
112 public community and junior colleges.

113       (2) One-half (1/2) divided upon the basis of the number of  
114 full-time equivalency (FTE) of hours generated during the summer,  
115 fall and spring semesters for academic, technical and vocational  
116 public community and junior college students actually enrolled and  
117 in attendance on the last day of the sixth week of the fall  
118 semester or its equivalent of the preceding year counting only  
119 those students who reside within the State of Mississippi.

120       The public community and junior colleges shall prepare and  
121 make available to the Legislature and the Legislative Budget  
122 Office an accounting of expenditures and program accomplishments

123 of the Rural Health Corps Program for each of the individual  
124 community and junior colleges in a format and manner prescribed by  
125 the Legislative Budget Office.

126       **SECTION 9.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
127 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
128 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the aid of the public  
129 community and junior colleges, to fund life and health insurance,  
130 for all employees of the public community and junior colleges for  
131 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.  
132 ..... \$       22,822,944.00.

133       The funds allocated in this section shall only be used to  
134 participate in the State and School Employees' Life and Health  
135 Insurance Plan. Any funds appropriated in this section which are  
136 not expended during the fiscal year shall be carried forward for  
137 the same purposes during the next succeeding fiscal year.

138       **SECTION 10.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
139 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
140 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of  
141 establishing and operating Workforce Development Centers at each  
142 of the public community and junior colleges for the fiscal year  
143 beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....  
144 ..... \$       4,500,000.00.

145       **SECTION 11.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
146 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
147 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for  
148 Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of defraying the  
149 cost of Sign Language Interpreter Training at the public community  
150 and junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007,  
151 and ending June 30, 2008..... \$       179,050.00.

152       **SECTION 12.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
153 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
154 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for

155 Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of defraying the  
156 cost of the Education Technology Program at the public community  
157 and junior colleges and the State Board for Community and Junior  
158 Colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending  
159 June 30, 2008..... \$ 7,099,160.00.

160 **SECTION 13.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
161 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the  
162 Education Enhancement Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the  
163 State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of  
164 defraying the cost of servicing the debt on bonds issued for the  
165 Education Technology Program at the community and junior colleges  
166 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending  
167 June 30, 2008..... \$ 3,150,013.00.

168 The funds appropriated in this section shall be derived from  
169 Education Enhancement Funds deposited pursuant to Sections  
170 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

171 **SECTION 14.** A Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition  
172 (MPACT) program beneficiary shall be considered a Mississippi  
173 resident for the purposes of participating in this appropriation  
174 regardless of the beneficiary's residence on the date of  
175 enrollment, as set out in Mississippi Code Annotated, Section  
176 37-155-5(d)(iii).

177 **SECTION 15.** In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance  
178 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of  
179 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized  
180 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the  
181 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,  
182 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted  
183 performance measures provided below:

184		FY08
185	<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>Target</u>
186	Instruction	

187	Cumulative grade point average of community	
188	college transfer students attending State	
189	Institutions of Higher Learning will equal	
190	or exceed the Grade Point Average earned	
191	by native students in the same university	
192	system (GPA based on a 4.0 scale)	2.80
193	Average Class Size (Students/Class)	21
194	Percentage of community & junior college	
195	associate degree nursing graduates who	
196	pass the state board nursing exam on	
197	the first write (%)	92
198	Percentage of full-time & adjunct	
199	(part-time) faculty who met the	
200	criteria for academic & professional	
201	preparation (%)	100
202	Percentage of vocational-technical	
203	students who complete or exit a program	
204	& are considered positively placed (%)	91.00
205	Total cost per full-time equivalent	
206	student (\$)	5,288.00
207	Physical Plant Operation	
208	Percentage of community & junior colleges	
209	with a written comprehensive safety &	
210	health program implemented to ensure	
211	safe working conditions & practices (%)	100
212	Number of student injuries on community	
213	& junior colleges grounds (Students)	75
214	Number of employee injuries on community	
215	& junior colleges grounds (Employees)	105
216	A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets	
217	set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the	

218 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget  
219 Committee for Fiscal Year 2009.

220       **SECTION 16.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
221 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
222 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Board for  
223 Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose of defraying the  
224 cost of Advanced Training Centers at each of the Public Community  
225 and Junior Colleges, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007,  
226 and ending June 30, 2008.....\$       2,250,000.00.

227       **SECTION 17.** It is the intention of the Legislature that with  
228 the funds provided in this act a salary increase in the amount of  
229 Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) per full-time equivalent shall be  
230 awarded to all nursing faculty effective July 1, 2007.

231       **SECTION 18.** It is the intention of the Legislature that  
232 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the  
233 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things  
234 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,  
235 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind  
236 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to  
237 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are  
238 made without competitive bids.

239       **SECTION 19.** It is legislative intent to ensure beneficial  
240 information reaches as many Mississippians as possible. Further,  
241 it is legislative intent that the expenditure of public funds for  
242 this purpose be accomplished in an efficient and effective manner.

243       Therefore, state agencies as standard procedure, will observe  
244 the following criteria:

245       (1) Develop goals and desired result for a campaign.

246       (2) Evaluate effectiveness through respected advertising  
247 standards, including market reach and cost effectiveness.

248       (3) Seek public service announcements, which would be aired  
249 by media without cost.



250 (4) Itemize and justify professional assistance and related  
251 expenses for creative and production costs outside of the actual  
252 media expenditures.

253 (5) Utilize Mississippi owned media companies when feasible.

254 **SECTION 20.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
255 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
256 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
257 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
258 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
259 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

260 **SECTION 21.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
261 and after July 1, 2007.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and  
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE AID AND SUPPORT OF THE  
2 PUBLIC COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
3 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

X (SIGNED)  
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Chaney

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Frierson

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