House Amendments to Senate Bill No. 3133

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE HOUSE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

5	SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
6	necessary, is hereby authorized for expenditure out of any special
7	source funds which are collected by or otherwise become available
8	for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Mississippi
9	Department of Information Technology Services, for the fiscal year
10	beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008
11	\$ 34,671,480.00.
12	SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
13	Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be
14	expended for the respective major objects or purposes of
15	expenditure:
16	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:
17	Personal Services:
18	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits \$ 10,250,394.00
19	Travel and Subsistence
20	Contractual Services
21	Commodities
22	Capital Outlay:
23	Other Than Equipment
24	Equipment
25	Vehicles
26	Wireless Communication Devices 3,500.00
27	Subsidies, Loans and Grants 50,000.00
28	Total\$ 34,671,480.00
29	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:
30	Permanent: Full Time
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31	Part Time0
32	Time-Limited: Full Time
33	Part Time0
34	Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation
35	Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase
36	equal to the realignment component of the Variable Compensation
37	Plan or One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), whichever
38	is greater.
39	With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of
40	the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to
41	make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal
42	Services" for Fiscal Year 2009 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2008
43	funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions
44	are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2009 budget by the
45	Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the
46	Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall
47	determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all
48	appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this
49	act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure
50	that no single personnel action increases this projected annual
51	cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2008 appropriation for "Personal
52	Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.
53	If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal
54	Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency
55	has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this
56	projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2008 "Personal Services"
57	appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which
58	reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation
59	requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until
60	such time as the requirements of this provision are met.
61	Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
62	the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
63	allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
64	Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
65	approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The

- 66 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
- 67 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
- without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the 68
- 69 appropriated level.
- 70 No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be
- 71 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are
- 72 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this
- 73 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.
- 74 The agency shall not take any action to promote or otherwise
- 75 award salary increases through reallocation, reclassification,
- 76 realignment, education benchmark, career ladder, or any other
- means to increase salaries of employees or positions unless 77
- 78 specifically exempted by the following conditions: the award of
- 79 teacher pay increases, the advancement of a trainee/cadet to the
- 80 next level of a bona fide career ladder, the award of an
- educational benchmark for the attainment of Certified Public 81
- 82 Accountant License or higher level professional certification as
- determined by the State Personnel Board, the immediate replacement 83
- 84 of a departing employee with an individual from within state
- service or a new hire at a salary level equivalent to that of the 85
- 86 departing employee, and the emergency appointment of nurses,
- pharmacists or other health care professionals at a salary to be 87
- 88 determined by the State Personnel Board, unless otherwise
- 89 authorized in this act.
- 90 SECTION 3. In order to offset the cost of publishing the
- annual Mississippi Official Telephone Directory, the Mississippi 91
- Department of Information Technology Services is hereby 92
- 93 authorized, empowered and directed, in its discretion, to offer
- for advertising purposes, pages to be included in said Directory, 94
- 95 to accept bids, and to let contracts for said pages.
- contracts for said advertising purposes shall be let for definite 96
- 97 periods not to exceed two (2) years.
- It shall be the duty of the Mississippi Department of 98
- 99 Information Technology Services, if it is desired that advertising
- 100 shall be used, to approve all proposed advertising submitted for

- 101 use within such annual Mississippi Official Telephone Directory.
- 102 The department is hereby authorized, empowered and directed, in
- its discretion, to reject any and all bids submitted, and if all 103
- 104 bids are rejected, the authority may negotiate a contract within
- 105 the limitations of the specifications so long as the terms of any
- 106 such negotiated contract are equal to or better than the
- comparable terms submitted by the lowest and best bidder. 107 No
- 108 sectarian, un-American, political, partisan or immoral
- 109 advertisement, as determined solely by the authority or its
- 110 successor, shall be accepted.
- All monies derived from sale of such advertising shall be 111
- deposited in the appropriate special fund in the State Treasury to 112
- the credit of the Mississippi Department of Information Technology 113
- 114 Services.
- 115 SECTION 4. In addition to all other funds heretofore
- 116 appropriated, the following sum is hereby appropriated out of any
- 117 money in the State Treasury to the credit of the Wireless
- 118 Communication Commission for the purpose of defraying the expenses
- 119 of the Commission for the period beginning upon passage and
- through June 30, 2008.....\$ 17,000,000.00. 120
- 121 The Commission is hereby authorized to escalate federal funds
- 122 in accordance with rules and regulations of the Department of
- 123 Finance and Administration and up to a maximum of ten (10)
- positions in order to provide services prescribed by Section 124
- 125 25-53-171, Mississippi Code of 1972.
- 126 SECTION 5. The Mississippi Department of Information
- Technology Services is hereby authorized to receive additional 127
- 128 funds from any state agency or other source, including one hundred
- percent (100%) general-fund agencies, for the purpose of providing 129
- 130 data processing or telecommunications services to any governmental
- 131 organization contracting with the Mississippi Department of
- Information Technology Services for such services. 132
- Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services is 133
- 134 further authorized to escalate an amount not to exceed One Million
- 135 Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) and to increase, up to a maximum of twenty

136 (20) additional positions, the number of authorized positions

137 listed in this act in order to provide the required data

138 processing or telecommunications services for such governmental

139 organizations, under the rules and regulations of the Department

140 of Finance and Administration.

141 **SECTION 6.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of

142 Section 1, Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) is

143 authorized for expenditure and for the established purpose of

144 E-Government Special Fund 3602.

145 **SECTION 7.** None of the funds herein appropriated shall be

146 expended by Information Technology Services unless assessments,

147 fees or rate levels charged to other state agencies for services

148 are at or below the January 1, 2007, fee structure level, except

for the establishment of rates for a new or expanded service, and

required increases due to costs not within the control of this

151 agency.

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152 **SECTION 8.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the

153 Department of Information Technology Services shall maintain

154 complete accounting and personnel records related to the

155 expenditure of all funds appropriated under the provisions of this

156 act and that such records shall be in the same format and level of

157 details as maintained for Fiscal Year 2007. It is further the

158 intention of the Legislature that the budget request for Fiscal

159 Year 2009 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget

160 Committee in a format and level of detail comparable to the format

and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2008 budget

162 request process.

163 **SECTION 9.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the

164 Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Information

165 Technology may authorize increases in major objects of expenditure

166 in total amounts not to exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the

167 appropriated amount of each major object of expenditure, provided

168 that other major objects of expenditure are decreased by a

169 corresponding dollar amount. However, no transfers shall be

- authorized which increase the major object of expenditure 170
- 171 "Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits."
- SECTION 10. It is the intention of the Legislature that 172
- 173 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
- purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things 174
- stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, 175
- quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind 176
- 177 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
- 178 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
- 179 made without competitive bids.
- 180 SECTION 11. It is legislative intent to ensure beneficial
- 181 information reaches as many Mississippians as possible. Further,
- 182 it is legislative intent that the expenditure of public funds for
- this purpose be accomplished in an efficient and effective manner. 183
- 184 Therefore, state agencies as standard procedure, will observe
- 185 the following criteria:
- 186 (1) Develop goals and desired result for a campaign.
- 187 (2) Evaluate effectiveness through respected advertising
- 188 standards, including market reach and cost effectiveness.
- Seek public service announcements, which would be aired 189 (3)
- 190 by media without cost.
- 191 Itemize and justify professional assistance and related
- 192 expenses for creative and production costs outside of the actual
- 193 media expenditures.
- 194 (5) Utilize Mississippi owned media companies when feasible.
- 195 SECTION 12. The department is authorized to expend available
- 196 funds on technology or equipment upgrades or replacements when it
- 197 will generate savings through efficiency or when the savings
- 198 generated from such upgrades or replacements exceed expenditures
- 199 thereof.
- 200 SECTION 13. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
- 201 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
- 202 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
- 203 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.

206 **SECTION 14.** This act shall take effect and be in force from

207 and after July 1, 2007, except for Section 4 which shall take

208 effect and be in force from and after passage.

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Don Richardson Clerk of the House of Representatives