Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 1695

TO THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE SENATE 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:

7	SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be			
8	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State			
9	General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Governor's Office			
10	- Division of Medicaid for the purpose of providing medical			
11	assistance under the Mississippi Medicaid Law and defraying the			
12	expenses of the administration of such law, as provided in Section			
13	43-13-101 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal year			
14	beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008			
15	\$ 254,928,735.00.			
16	SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be			
17	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State			
18	Treasury to the credit of the Medical Care Fund created by Section			
19	43-13-143, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the purpose of providing			
20	medical assistance under the Mississippi Medicaid Law for the			
21	fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008			
22	\$ 290,875,942.00.			
23	SECTION 3. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be			
24	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in any special			
25	fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the Governor's Office			
26	- Division of Medicaid which is comprised of special source funds			
27	collected by or otherwise available to the commission, for the			
28	purpose of providing medical assistance under the Mississippi			
29	Medicaid Law and defraying the expenses of the administration of			
30	such law, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending			
31	June 30, 2008\$ 3,393,503,065.00.			

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Prior period recovery of funds may be maintained and expended by the division when the recovery is received or finalized.

The following sum, or so much thereof as may be 34 SECTION 4. 35 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the Health Care Expendable Fund, for the 36 purpose of defraying the expenses of the Governor's Office -37 Division of Medicaid for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, 38 and ending June 30, 2008..... \$ 39 95,743,220.00. 40 The above funds shall be allocated as follows: CHIP Program at 200% level of poverty...\$ 3,541,227.00 41 42 Eyeglasses for adults.....\$ 860,012.00 Home and Community Waiver Program.....\$ 2,425,741.00 43 Disabled worker buy-in to the Medicaid 44 45 program.....\$ 928,307.00 46 Dental fee increase.....\$ 1,112,957.00 47 Miscellaneous.....\$ 151,767.00 48 Medical Services Program Matching Funds. \$ 86,723,209.00 49 It is the intention of the Legislature that funds may be shifted among the above allocated line items where needed in the 50 discretion of the Executive Director of the Division of Medicaid. 51 52 SECTION 5. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of 53 Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, not more than the amounts set forth below 54 shall be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of 55 expenditure: MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE: 56 57 Personal Services: Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. \$ 42,786,279.00 58 59 Travel and Subsistence..... 1,212,556.00 Contractual Services..... 116,737,707.00 60 2,567,500.00 61 Commodities..... 62 Capital Outlay: 0.00 63 Other Than Equipment..... 64 1,725,000.00 Equipment..... 65 Vehicles..... 0.00 66 Wireless Communication Devices..... 0.00

67	Subsidies, Loa	ns and Grants	3,870,021,920.00	
68	Total\$ 4,035,050,962.00			
69	FUNDING:			
70	General Funds.		\$ 254,928,735.00	
71	Special Funds.		3,780,122,227.00	
72	Total		\$ 4,035,050,962.00	
73	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:			
74	Permanent:	Full Time	958	
75		Part Time	0	
76	Time-Limited:	Full Time	0	
77		Part Time	0	

Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase equal to the realignment component of the Variable Compensation Plan or One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or Three Percent (3%) whichever is greater, to be awarded on July 1, 2007.

83 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of 84 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to 85 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal Year 2009 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2008 86 87 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2009 budget by the 88 89 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the 90 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall 91 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all 92 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure 93 act. 94 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2008 appropriation for "Personal 95 96 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds. 97 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency 98 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this 99 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2008 "Personal Services" 100 101 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which 102 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation 103 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until 104 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

105 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with 106 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State 107 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written 108 109 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The 110 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions 111 112 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the 113 appropriated level.

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

118 The agency shall not take any action to promote or otherwise 119 award salary increases through reallocation, reclassification, 120 realignment, education benchmark, career ladder, or any other means to increase salaries of employees or positions unless 121 122 specifically exempted by the following conditions: the award of 123 teacher pay increases, the advancement of a trainee/cadet to the 124 next level of a bona fide career ladder, the award of an 125 educational benchmark for the attainment of Certified Public 126 Accountant License or higher level professional certification as determined by the State Personnel Board, the immediate replacement 127 128 of a departing employee with an individual from within state 129 service or a new hire at a salary level equivalent to that of the 130 departing employee, and the emergency appointment of nurses, 131 pharmacists or other health care professionals at a salary to be 132 determined by the State Personnel Board, unless otherwise authorized in this act. 133

134 **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the 135 Governor's Office - Division of Medicaid shall maintain complete 136 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all 137 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be 138 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal 139 Year 2007. It is further the intention of the Legislature that 140 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2009 shall be 141 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format 142 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail 143 provided during the Fiscal Year 2008 budget request process.

SECTION 7. In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized, this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted performance measures provided below:

151FY2008152Performance MeasuresTarget153Administrative Services154154Admin as a Percent of Total Budget (%)4.26

155 Medical Services

156 Recipients (Persons)

157 A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets 158 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the 159 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget 160 Committee for Fiscal Year 2009.

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161 SECTION 8. It is the intention of the Legislature that 162 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things 163 164 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, 165 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind 166 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to 167 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are 168 made without competitive bids.

169 **SECTION 9.** Of the funds appropriated in Sections 1, 2, 3 and 170 4, an additional amount not less than Two Hundred Fifty Thousand 171 Dollars (\$250,000.00) shall be expended in the Home and Community 172 Based Waiver Program over and above the amount expended in Fiscal 173 Year 2007.

174 SECTION 10. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 175 Executive Director of the Division of Medicaid may authorize 176 increases in any major objects of expenditures in total amounts not to exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the appropriated amount 177 of each major object of expenditure, provided that other major 178 179 objects of expenditure are decreased by a corresponding dollar 180 amount. It is further the intention of the Legislature that any transfers made under the provision of this paragraph shall be of 181 182 an emergency nature and that in no case shall the transfers be made which substantially alter the legislative intent for the 183 184 various programs as set forth in the original appropriations made under this act. However, no transfers shall be authorized which 185 186 increase the major object of expenditure "Salaries, Wages and 187 Fringe Benefits."

188 SECTION 11. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions 189 of Section 2, One Hundred Twenty-eight Million Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$128,900,000.00) shall be derived from the 190 Working Cash-Stabilization Reserve Fund for the purpose of 191 192 providing medical assistance under the Mississippi Medicaid law. 193 SECTION 12. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions 194 of Section 2, Twenty-nine Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars 195 (\$29,400,000.00) shall be derived from the Budget Contingency 196 Fund, as created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the purpose of matching available federal funds.

SECTION 13. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by 198 199 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the 200 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon 201 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal 202 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law. 203 SECTION 14. This act shall take effect and be in force from 204 205 and after July 1, 2007.

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