Adopted **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

House Bill No. 1676

BY: Committee

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

6	SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be				
7	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State				
8	Treasury to the credit of the Real Estate Appraisal License Fund,				
9	for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Mississippi Real				
10	Estate Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board for the fiscal				
11	year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008				
12	\$ 420,445.00.				
13	SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of				
14	Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be				
15	expended for the respective major objects or purposes of				
16	expenditure:				
17	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:				
18	Personal Services:				
19	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits \$ 229,881.00				
20	Travel and Subsistence				
21	Contractual Services 128,464.00				
22	Commodities 19,300.00				
23	Capital Outlay:				
24	Other Than Equipment 0.00				

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25	Equipment			7,800.00
26	Vehicles			0.00
27	Wireless	Communication Devices	••••	0.00
28	Subsidies, Loa	ns and Grants	••••	0.00
29	Total		\$	420,445.00
30	AUTHORIZED POSIT	IONS:		
31	Permanent:	Full Time	4	
32		Part Time	0	
33	Time-Limited:	Full Time	0	
34		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.

40 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of 41 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal 42 43 Services" for Fiscal Year 2009 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2008 44 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2009 budget by the 45 46 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the 47 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all 48 49 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this 50 It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure act. 51 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual 52 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2008 appropriation for "Personal Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds. 53 54 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency 55 56 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this

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57 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2008 "Personal Services" 58 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which 59 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation 60 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until 61 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

62 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with 63 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State 64 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written 65 66 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The 67 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written 68 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the 69 70 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.

The agency shall not take any action to promote or otherwise 75 76 award salary increases through reallocation, reclassification, 77 realignment, education benchmark, career ladder, or any other 78 means to increase salaries of employees or positions unless 79 specifically exempted by the following conditions: the award of teacher pay increases, the advancement of a trainee/cadet to the 80 81 next level of a bona fide career ladder, the award of an educational benchmark for the attainment of Certified Public 82 83 Accountant License or higher level professional certification as determined by the State Personnel Board, the immediate replacement 84 85 of a departing employee with an individual from within state 86 service or a new hire at a salary level equivalent to that of the 87 departing employee, and the emergency appointment of nurses, 88 pharmacists or other health care professionals at a salary to be

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89 determined by the State Personnel Board, unless otherwise 90 authorized in this act.

91 SECTION 3. Of the funds provided under the provisions of 92 this act, Three Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-seven Dollars 93 (\$3,987.00) is provided to reclassify one position.

94 SECTION 4. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 95 Mississippi Real Estate Appraiser Licensing and Certification 96 Board shall maintain complete accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds appropriated under this 97 act and that such records shall be in the same format and level of 98 detail as maintained for Fiscal Year 2007. It is further the 99 100 intention of the Legislature that the agency's budget request for 101 Fiscal Year 2009 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative 102 Budget Committee in a format and level of detail comparable to the 103 format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2008 104 budget request process.

105 SECTION 5. It is the intention of the Legislature that 106 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the 107 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things 108 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, 109 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind 110 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to 111 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are 112 made without competitive bids.

113 SECTION 6. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by 114 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the 115 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon 116 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal 117 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the 118 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law. SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from 119 120 and after July 1, 2007.

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