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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1626

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FROM SPECIAL FUNDS IN THE
2 STATE TREASURY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE
3 STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017.

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 special
7 fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the State Board of
8 Optometry, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the board
9 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending
10 June 30, 2017.....\$ 113,673.00.

11 **SECTION 2.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
12 State Board of Optometry shall maintain complete accounting and
13 personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds
14 appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the
15 same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year
16 2016. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the
17 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2018 shall be submitted to
18 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of



19 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided
20 during the Fiscal Year 2017 budget request process.

21 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
22 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
23 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
24 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
25 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
26 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
27 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
28 made with competitive bids.

29 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
30 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with
31 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency
32 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their
33 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally
34 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for
35 actions contrary to this provision.

36 **SECTION 5.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
37 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
38 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
39 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
40 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
41 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.



42 **SECTION 6.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
43 and after July 1, 2016; and shall stand repealed from and after
44 June 30, 2016.

