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To: Appropriations

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1666

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING  
2 THE EXPENSES OF THE GRAND GULF MILITARY MONUMENT COMMISSION FOR  
3 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 appropriated out of any money in the State General  
7 Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of defraying the  
8 expenses of the Grand Gulf Military Monument Commission in the  
9 operation and maintenance of the Grand Gulf Military Monument for  
10 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017..  
11 .....\$ 210,092.00.

12 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
13 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the special fund in  
14 the State Treasury to the credit of the Grand Gulf Military  
15 Monument Commission, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of  
16 the commission in the operation and maintenance of the Grand Gulf  
17 Military Monument for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and  
18 ending June 30, 2017.....\$ 86,800.00.



**SECTION 3.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act, the following positions are authorized:

**AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:**

Permanent:	Full Time.....	7
	Part Time.....	1
Time-Limited:	Full Time.....	0
	Part Time.....	0

With the funds herein appropriated, it shall be the agency's responsibility to make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal Year 2018 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2017 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2017 budget by the Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to ensure that no single personnel action increases this projected annual cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2017 appropriations for "Personal Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds and the award of benchmarks. If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2017 "Personal Services"



44 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which  
45 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation  
46 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until  
47 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

48 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with  
49 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or  
50 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State  
51 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written  
52 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The  
53 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written  
54 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions  
55 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the  
56 appropriated level.

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

61 None of the funds herein appropriated shall be used in  
62 violation of Internal Revenue Service's Publication 15-A relating  
63 to the reporting of income paid to contract employees, as  
64 interpreted by the Office of the State Auditor.

65 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
66 Grand Gulf Military Monument Commission shall maintain complete  
67 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all  
68 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be



69 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal  
70 Year 2016. It is further the intention of the Legislature that  
71 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2018 shall be  
72 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format  
73 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail  
74 provided during the Fiscal Year 2017 budget request process.

75 **SECTION 5.** It shall be unlawful for any officer, employee or  
76 other person whatsoever to use or permit or authorize the use of  
77 any automobile or any other motor vehicle owned by the State of  
78 Mississippi or any department, agency or institution thereof for  
79 any purpose other than upon the official business of the State of  
80 Mississippi or any agency, department or institution thereof.

81 It is the intent of the Legislature that motor vehicles  
82 authorized to be owned and operated by this agency shall comply  
83 with Sections 25-1-77 through 25-1-93, Mississippi Code of 1972.

84 **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that  
85 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the  
86 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things  
87 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,  
88 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind  
89 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to  
90 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are  
91 made without competitive bids.

92 **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
93 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with



94 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency  
95 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their  
96 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally  
97 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for  
98 actions contrary to this provision.

99       **SECTION 8.** The amount of funds appropriated from the State  
100 General Fund in this bill are conditioned upon the availability  
101 for appropriation of the full amount of the state general funds  
102 that were projected in the general fund revenue estimate for  
103 fiscal year 2017 that was determined under the provision of  
104 Section 27-103-125.

105       If the amount of general funds projected to be available for  
106 appropriation for fiscal year 2017 would be reduced by the  
107 enactment into law of any revenue bills, as defined in Joint Rule  
108 40, that have been passed by the House of Representatives by March  
109 17, 2016, then the amount of funds appropriated from the State  
110 General Fund in this bill shall be reduced by the same percentage  
111 reduction in the amount of general funds that would be available  
112 for appropriation for fiscal year 2017, and the reduced amount  
113 shall be engrossed into this bill before it is transmitted to  
114 Senate.

115       The determination of whether the House has passed any such  
116 revenue bills by March 17, 2016, and the amount and percentage of  
117 the resulting reduction in the amount of general funds projected  
118 to be available for appropriation for fiscal year 2017, shall be



determined by the Legislative Budget Office and certified in writing to the Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee by the Director of the Legislative Budget Office.

**SECTION 9.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon 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.

**SECTION 10.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2016; and shall stand repealed from and after June 30, 2016.

