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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1512  
(As Sent to Governor)

1       AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN  
2 SERVICES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018.

3       BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

4       **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
5 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State General  
6 Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Department of Human  
7 Services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, and ending  
8 June 30, 2018.....\$     51,495,781.00.

9       **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
10 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in any special fund in  
11 the State Treasury to the credit of the Department of Human  
12 Services which is comprised of special source funds collected by  
13 or otherwise available to the department for the support of the  
14 various divisions of the department, for the purpose of defraying  
15 the expenses of the department for the fiscal year beginning  
16 July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2018.....  
17 .....\$ 1,236,934,632.00.



**SECTION 3.** None of the funds appropriated by this act shall be expended for any purpose that is not actually required or necessary for performing any of the powers or duties of the Department of Human Services that are authorized by the Mississippi Constitution of 1890, state or federal law, or rules or regulations that implement state or federal law.

**SECTION 4.** With the funds appropriated for this budget, the following positions are authorized:

**AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:**

Permanent:	Full Time.....	1,742
	Part Time.....	1
Time-Limited:	Full Time.....	475
	Part Time.....	0

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

**SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the Department of Human Services shall maintain complete accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year 2017. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2019 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of



detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2018 budget request process.

**SECTION 6.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) shall be transferred to the Department of Health, Child Care Licensure Program from the Child Care Development Fund or other appropriate special fund. These funds are to be transferred to the Board of Health no later than July 31, 2017. The Department of Health shall make a complete accounting to the Department of Human Services detailing the uses of these funds in accordance with federal and state regulations.

**SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are made without competitive bids.

**SECTION 8.** The Department of Human Services is authorized to expend available funds on technology or equipment upgrades or replacements when it will generate savings through efficiency or when the savings generated from such upgrades or replacements exceed expenditures thereof.

**SECTION 9.** It is the intention of the Legislature that none of the funds provided herein shall be used to pay certain



68 utilities for state furnished housing for any employees. Such  
69 utilities shall include electricity, natural gas, butane, propane,  
70 cable and phone services. Where actual cost cannot be determined,  
71 the agency shall be required to provide meters to be in compliance  
72 with legislative intent. Such state furnished housing shall  
73 include single-family and multi-family residences but shall not  
74 include any dormitory residences. Allowances for such utilities  
75 shall be prohibited.

76 **SECTION 10.** In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance  
77 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of  
78 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized  
79 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the  
80 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,  
81 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted  
82 performance measures provided below:

83		FY2018
84	<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>Target</u>
85	Support Services	
86	Percentage of Referred/Directed	
87	Investigative Audits Conducted (%)	100.00
88	Percentage of Special Investigations	
89	Conducted (%)	95.00
90	Percentage of Referred/Obtained Fraud	
91	Investigations Conducted Timely (%)	100.00
92	Percentage of Referred Administrative	



93	Disqualification Hearings and Fair Hearings	
94	Conducted Timely (%)	99.00
95	Percentage of Monitoring Reviews Conducted	
96	within Acceptable Timeframes	98.00
97	Total Amount of Funds Recovered (\$)	2,851,330.00
98	Aging & Adult Services	
99	In-home Services (Persons)	17,391
100	Community Based Services (Persons)	15,118
101	Congregate Meals (Number of Meals)	460,948
102	Home-delivered Meals (Meals Delivered)	2,238,296
103	Substantiated Incidences of Abuse of	
104	Vulnerable Adults per 1,000 Population	0.17
105	Home Delivered Meals, Percent Reduction	
106	of Persons on Waiting List (%)	1.00
107	Child Support Enforcement	
108	Number of Paternities Established	45,938
109	Percent Change - Paternities Established (%)	4.60
110	Number of Obligations Established	42,000
111	Percent Change - Obligations Established (%)	16.00
112	Total Collections (\$)	390,000,000.00
113	Percentage Change in Total Collections (%)	5.00
114	Absent Parents Located (Individuals)	60,000
115	Percentage of Child Support Cases Current	
116	on Payments (%)	35.00
117	Community Services	



118	Number of Elderly Served by CSBG & LIHEAP	19,579
119	Number of Handicapped Served	18,400
120	Number of Households Achieving	
121	Self-Sufficiency	882
122	Increase in Rate of Household	
123	Attaining Self Sufficiency (%)	2.00
124	Number of Households Stabilized	17,712
125	Percent Increase in the Number of	
126	Households Stabilized (%)	2.00
127	Number of Households Weatherized	516
128	Early Childhood Care & Dev	
129	Number of Children Served	28,000
130	Assistance Payments	
131	Dollar Amount of Assistance (\$)	830,000.00
132	Food Assistance	
133	Average Monthly Households	285,000
134	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance	
135	Program - SNAP (\$)	950,000,000.00
136	Percentage of Mississippi Households	
137	Receiving SNAP Benefits (%)	21.60
138	Tanf Work Program	
139	TANF Households per Month (Average)	6,800.00
140	Work Program (Persons Served)	2,200
141	TANF Work Program Participation Rate (%)	50.00
142	Persons Employed	720



143	Number of Households Receiving TANF	
144	Benefits During the Year	6,800
145	Percentage of Households Receiving TANF	
146	During the Year (%)	0.45
147	Percentage of TANF Participants in	
148	Job Training Who Enter Employment (%)	30.00
149	Percentage of TANF Participants in Job	
150	Training Who Enter Employment at a Salary	
151	Sufficient to be Ineligible for TANF (%)	19.00
152	Percentage of TANF Participants in Job	
153	Training Who Remain Employed for:	
154	One Year After Leaving the Program (%)	75.00
155	Five Years After Leaving the Program (%)	65.00
156	Social Services Block Grant	
157	Clients Served, Family & Child Services	75,611
158	Clients Served, Aging & Adult Services	21,178
159	Clients Served, Youth Services	12,880
160	Youth Services	
161	Community Services (Children Served)	12,500
162	Institutional Component (Children Served)	350
163	Number of Volunteers - Community Services	0
164	Children Placed in Alternative Placement	0
165	Children Diverted from Institutional (%)	75.00
166	Recidivism Rate	20.00



167 A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets  
168 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the  
169 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget  
170 Committee for Fiscal Year 2019.

171 **SECTION 11.** It is the intent of the Legislature that the  
172 Department of Human Services, Division of Child Support  
173 Enforcement, make a concentrated effort to increase collections of  
174 past due child support payments. On or before January 1, 2018,  
175 the Executive Director of the Department of Human Services shall  
176 submit a report to the Legislative Budget Office detailing  
177 year-to-date performance measures in the Child Support Enforcement  
178 Program compared with the prior year.

179 **SECTION 12.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
180 Department of Human Services shall have the authority to spend  
181 such additional funds as it shall receive from the federal  
182 government in incentives or the federal match on those incentives  
183 for the purpose of child support enforcement.

184 **SECTION 13.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
185 Governor's Office, Division of Medicaid and the Department of  
186 Human Services shall work together to implement HB 1090 of the  
187 2017 Regular Session, known as the "Medicaid and Human Services  
188 Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act".

189 **SECTION 14.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 1, Two  
190 Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) shall be transferred





to the Juvenile Facility Monitoring Unit at the Department of  
Public Safety no later than July 31, 2017.

**SECTION 15.** Of the funds appropriated herein, an additional  
One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) of Special Funds to be  
transferred from the Division of Medicaid, are provided to fund  
the Home Delivered Meals Program in the Aging and Adult Services  
Division.

**SECTION 16.** Of the funds provided in Section 1, an amount  
not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) is  
provided to fund the Senior Olympics Program.

**SECTION 17.** 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 18.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
and after July 1, 2017.

