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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1589

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FROM GENERAL FUND IN THE STATE
2 TREASURY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE STATE
3 FIRE ACADEMY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019.

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 State Fire Academy for the fiscal year beginning
9 July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019.....
10\$ 4,817,660.00.

11 **SECTION 2.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
12 Section 1, the following positions are authorized:

13 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

14	Permanent:	Full Time.....	60
15		Part Time.....	0
16	Time-Limited:	Full Time.....	0
17		Part Time.....	0



18 With the funds herein appropriated, it shall be the agency's
19 responsibility to make certain that funds required to be
20 appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal Year 2020 do not
21 exceed Fiscal Year 2019 funds appropriated for that purpose,
22 unless programs or positions are added to the agency's Fiscal Year
23 2019 budget by the Mississippi Legislature. Based on data
24 provided by the Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel
25 Board shall determine and publish the projected annual cost to
26 fully fund all appropriated positions in compliance with the
27 provisions of this act. It shall be the responsibility of the
28 agency head to ensure that no single personnel action increases
29 this projected annual cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2019
30 appropriations for "Personal Services" when annualized, with the
31 exception of escalated funds and the award of benchmarks. If, at
32 the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal
33 Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency
34 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this
35 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2019 "Personal Services"
36 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which
37 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation
38 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until
39 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

40 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
41 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
42 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State



43 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
44 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The
45 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
46 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
47 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the
48 appropriated level.

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

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

57 **SECTION 3.** In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance
58 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of
59 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
60 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
61 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,
62 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted
63 performance measures provided below:

	FY2019
<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>Target</u>
66 Training	
67 Number of Students Trained	14,000



68 Average Cost per Student Trained 464.96

69 A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets
70 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the
71 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget
72 Committee for Fiscal Year 2020.

73 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
74 State Fire Academy shall maintain complete accounting and
75 personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds
76 appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the
77 same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year
78 2018. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the
79 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2020 shall be submitted to
80 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of
81 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided
82 during the Fiscal Year 2019 budget request process.

83 **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
84 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
85 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
86 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
87 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
88 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
89 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
90 made without competitive bids.

91 **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
92 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with



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

98 **SECTION 7.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
99 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
100 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
101 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
102 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
103 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

104 **SECTION 8.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
105 and after July 1, 2018, and shall stand repealed June 30, 2018.

