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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1615

1 AN ACT APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE
2 PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE YELLOW CREEK STATE INLAND
3 PORT AUTHORITY 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 authorized and approved for expenditure out of any
7 funds which are received by or otherwise become available to the
8 Yellow Creek State Inland Port Authority, for the purpose of
9 defraying the expenses of the Authority for the fiscal year
10 beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019.....
11\$ 8,995,684.00.

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

14 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

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



19 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
20 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law.

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24 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

25 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
26 Yellow Creek State Inland Port Authority shall maintain complete
27 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all
28 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be
29 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal
30 Year 2018. It is further the intention of the Legislature that
31 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2020 shall be
32 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format
33 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail
34 provided during the Fiscal Year 2019 budget request process.

35 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
36 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
37 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
38 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
39 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
40 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
41 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
42 made without competitive bids.



43 **SECTION 5.** Of the funds appropriated herein, Fifty Thousand
44 Dollars (\$50,000.00) is provided for salary increase for the
45 purpose of funding overtime, callback or standby pay.

46 **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
47 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with
48 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency
49 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their
50 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally
51 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for
52 actions contrary to this provision.

53 **SECTION 7.** The money herein approved for expenditure shall
54 be disbursed upon bank checks signed by the proper person, officer
55 or officers, in the manner provided by law.

56 **SECTION 8.** It is the intention of the Legislature that this
57 agency shall have the authority to expend funds from any source
58 that may become available to the agency in accordance with the
59 rules and regulations of the Department of Finance and
60 Administration in a manner consistent with the escalation of
61 federal funds for the purpose of funding any increase in health
62 insurance costs for Fiscal Year 2019, or for the purpose of
63 funding additional fees, costs or assessments received by the
64 agency from the Department of Information Technology Services or
65 the Department of Finance and Administration for Fiscal Year 2019
66 that may be incurred by the agency as a result of legislation
67 passed during the 2018 Regular Session of the Legislature and



68 approved by the Governor. The agency is authorized to escalate
69 other special funds for the limited purposes provided in this
70 section in an amount not to exceed One Thousand Nine Hundred
71 Eighty Dollars (\$1,980.00).

72 **SECTION 9.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
73 and after July 1, 2018.

