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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2950
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE SUPPORT AND
2 MAINTENANCE OF THE MISSISSIPPI COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE FOR
3 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 hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
7 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the support and
8 maintenance of the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service for
9 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending

10 June 30, 2019\$ 28,837,182.00.

11 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
12 necessary, is hereby authorized for expenditure out of any special
13 source funds which are collected by or otherwise become available
14 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Mississippi
15 Cooperative Extension Service for the fiscal year beginning

16 July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019.....\$ 14,603,305.00.

17 **SECTION 3.** No general funds authorized to be expended herein
18 shall be used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds



19 which are being used for salaries authorized under the provisions
20 of this act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

21 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
22 Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service provide programs in the
23 emphasis areas of Agriculture, Family and Consumer Education,
24 Natural Resources and Environment, 4-H, and Business and Community
25 Development in each county.

26 **SECTION 5.** No part of the funds appropriated or authorized
27 to be expended hereby shall be spent directly or indirectly for
28 payment of attorneys' fees for the services of any attorney who
29 was not employed by the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service
30 pursuant to the express authorization of the Board of Trustees of
31 State Institutions of Higher Learning prior to performance of such
32 legal services.

33 **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
34 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2020 shall be submitted to
35 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of
36 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided
37 during the Fiscal Year 2019 budget request process.

38 **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that if
39 the funds appropriated in Section 1 of this act are used directly
40 or indirectly to match or otherwise secure any federal grants,
41 research grants or donations, such special source funds not
42 classified as current restricted funds shall be added and
43 accounted for under Section 2 of this act. Further, it is the



44 intention of the Legislature that all such aforementioned special
45 source funds be included in all reports and requests for the 2018
46 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature.

47 **SECTION 8.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, Nine
48 Hundred Seventy-five Thousand Two Hundred Forty-five Dollars
49 (\$975,245.00) shall be derived from the Education Enhancement Fund
50 from funds deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and 27-67-31,
51 Mississippi Code of 1972.

52 **SECTION 9.** In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance
53 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of
54 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
55 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
56 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,
57 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted
58 performance measures provided below:

	FY2019
<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>Target</u>
Agriculture	
Published Information Items (Number of)	3,000
Mass Media Exposure Items (Number of)	4,500
Educational Contacts (Number of)	223,200
Cost per Educational Contact (\$)	15.32
Family & Consumer Education	
Published Information Items (Number of)	12,000
Educational Contacts (Number of)	20,000



69	Cost per Educational Contact (\$)	9.08
70	Business & Community Dev	
71	Educational Contacts (Number of)	1,300
72	Cost per Educational Contact (\$)	18.92
73	4-H Youth Development	
74	Educational Contacts (Number of)	8,000
75	Cost per Educational Contact (\$)	10.92
76	Natural Resources & Environment	
77	Published Information Items (Number of)	600
78	Mass Media Exposure Items (Number of)	700
79	Educational Contacts (Number of)	158,100
80	Cost per Educational Contact (\$)	20.29

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

85 **SECTION 10.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
86 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
87 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
88 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
89 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
90 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
91 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
92 made without competitive bids.



93 **SECTION 11.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
94 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with
95 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency
96 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their
97 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally
98 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for
99 actions contrary to this provision.

100 **SECTION 12.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
101 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
102 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
103 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
104 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
105 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

106 **SECTION 13.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
107 and after July 1, 2018.

