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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2976
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING
2 THE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI GAMING COMMISSION FOR FISCAL YEAR
3 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 purpose of
8 defraying the expenses of the Mississippi Gaming Commission for
9 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending

10 June 30, 2019.....\$ 8,149,734.00.

11 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
12 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the special fund in
13 the State Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Gaming
14 Commission, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
15 commission for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending

16 June 30, 2019.....\$ 441,448.00.

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



19 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

20	Permanent:	Full Time.....	127
21		Part Time.....	0
22	Time-Limited:	Full Time.....	0
23		Part Time.....	0

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27 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

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

32 **SECTION 4.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, a portion
33 shall be derived from the amount of forfeited property that is
34 seized by the Gaming Commission, which shall be deposited into a
35 special fund created by the Department of Finance and
36 Administration and may be expended by the commission for the
37 specific purpose of increasing law enforcement resources as
38 outlined in Section 41-29-185, Mississippi Code 1972.

39 **SECTION 5.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, a portion
40 shall be derived from the amount that is received by the Gaming
41 Commission for fingerprinting persons under the Gaming Control
42 Act, which shall be deposited into a special fund created by the
43 Department of Finance and Administration and may be expended by



44 the commission for the purpose of providing fingerprint analysis
45 by the Department of Public Safety. None of the funds collected
46 for the purpose of fingerprinting will be spent for any purpose
47 other than providing fingerprint analysis by the Department of
48 Public Safety.

49 **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
50 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
51 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
52 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
53 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
54 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
55 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
56 made without competitive bids.

57 **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
58 Gaming Commission shall maintain complete accounting and personnel
59 records related to the expenditure of all funds appropriated under
60 this act and that such records shall be in the same format and
61 level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year 2018. It is further
62 the intention of the Legislature that the agency's budget request
63 for Fiscal Year 2020 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative
64 Budget Committee in a format and level of detail comparable to the
65 format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2019
66 budget request process.

67 **SECTION 8.** In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance
68 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of



69 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
 70 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
 71 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,
 72 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted
 73 performance measures provided below:

	FY2019
<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>Target</u>
Riverboat Gaming	
Annual State Riverboat Gaming Revenues (\$)	2,169,380,793.00
Casinos Regulated (Number of)	28
Average Cost per Employee to Total	
State Riverboat Gaming Revenues (\$)	19,198,060.00
Charitable Bingo	
Bingo Applications Received (Number of)	50
Bingo Halls Regulated (Number of)	68
Average Cost per Employee to Total	
State Charitable Bingo Revenues (\$)	1,621,213.00

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

90 **SECTION 9.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
 91 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with
 92 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency
 93 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their



94 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally
95 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for
96 actions contrary to this provision.

97 **SECTION 10.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
98 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
99 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
100 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
101 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
102 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

103 **SECTION 11.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
104 and after July 1, 2018.

