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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2986
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE MISSISSIPPI FAIR
2 COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE DIXIE
3 NATIONAL LIVESTOCK SHOW; A ROUNDUP FOR JUNIOR EXHIBITORS OF
4 LIVESTOCK AND GOATS; SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS FOR LIVESTOCK PREMIUMS;
5 COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOWS IN OFFERING AND PAYING PRIZES OR AWARDS TO
6 COMPETITORS IN APPROVED COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOWS; THE FIVE DISTRICT
7 LIVESTOCK SHOWS; THE FIVE STATE DAIRY SHOWS; THE MISSISSIPPI HIGH
8 SCHOOL RODEO; AND TO PROVIDE HOW SAID MONEY SHALL BE PAID OUT OF
9 THE STATE TREASURY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019.

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

11 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
12 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury
13 to the credit of the Mississippi Fair Commission's special fund
14 account, to the Mississippi Fair Commission for the purposes of
15 defraying the costs of prizes, premiums, judges and other actual
16 and necessary costs of putting on the Dixie National Livestock
17 Show at the State Fairgrounds in Jackson, Mississippi, for the
18 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019.....
19\$ 954,150.00.

20 **SECTION 2.** The following sums, or so much thereof as may be
21 necessary, are appropriated out of any money in the State General



22 Fund, not otherwise appropriated, to the Mississippi Fair
23 Commission as follows:

24 (a) For the support of annual roundup shows for junior
25 exhibitors of junior steers, junior breeding cattle, beef cattle,
26 dairy cattle, hogs, sheep and goats, for the fiscal year beginning
27 July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019.....\$ 56,911.00.

28 (b) To supplement the funds paid by the Mississippi
29 Fair Commission for livestock premiums at the State Fair, all
30 livestock premiums to be paid on the American system of judging
31 (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, etc.) on all classes entered in the senior
32 division for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending
33 June 30, 2019.....\$ 19,542.00.

34 (c) For the county livestock shows in offering and
35 paying prizes or awards to competitors in the approved county
36 livestock shows of Mississippi, for the fiscal year beginning
37 July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019.....\$ 13,310.00.

38 Provided, however, that of the amount herein appropriated in
39 paragraph (c), not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)
40 shall be expended or used in any one (1) county of the state
41 during each fiscal year. Provided, further, that none of the
42 monies herein appropriated in paragraph (c) shall be used in
43 offering or paying prizes or awards for any livestock show that is
44 not held where there are adequate barns, pens and other facilities
45 available for such a show.



46 Provided, further, in paragraph (c) that the management of
47 such shows shall be in the hands of a county livestock
48 association, and such association shall guarantee a minimum amount
49 of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to be used in the paying of
50 prizes, premiums or awards, and after said county show has been
51 held and premiums paid, fifty percent (50%) of the amount, not
52 exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), shall be paid upon
53 requisition to the Mississippi Fair Commission.

54 Provided, further, in paragraph (c) that in any county which
55 has two (2) shows with proper facilities, and a contiguous county
56 has no such fair and desires to participate in a fair to be held
57 in an adjoining county, each of the two (2) fairs in one (1)
58 county may receive an equal proportion of the funds hereby
59 appropriated, provided, both shows shall not receive an aggregate
60 sum of more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

61 (d) For the purpose of offering awards and prizes to
62 competitors in the five (5) district livestock shows, for the
63 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019.....
64\$ 57,458.00.

65 (e) For the purpose of offering awards and prizes to
66 competitors in the five (5) state dairy shows as provided in
67 Section 69-5-101 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal
68 year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019.....
69\$ 7,438.00.



70 Provided, further, that no part of the money herein
71 appropriated under the provisions of paragraphs (d) and (e) shall
72 be used for any other purpose than to pay premium awards at said
73 shows and state shows and expositions receiving legislative
74 appropriation shall not conflict in dates in order that livestock
75 exhibitors may make the circuit of shows. Provided, further, that
76 none of the above-mentioned funds shall be paid to any district
77 shows unless shows are held prior to roundup.

78 Not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the funds herein
79 appropriated under the provisions of paragraphs (d) and (e) shall
80 be used in awarding prizes or premiums to 4-H Club members and
81 Smith-Hughes School members and other boys and girls having
82 entries in said shows.

83 All funds herein appropriated under the provisions of
84 paragraphs (d) and (e) for the five (5) district livestock shows
85 and the five (5) fall state dairy shows shall be distributed in
86 such manner that the livestock exhibitors will each draw equal
87 premium awards for comparable grades and placings at each of the
88 said five (5) district spring shows and the five (5) fall state
89 shows. The management of each district spring show and each state
90 fall show shall submit to the Mississippi Fair Commission, within
91 fifteen (15) days after the close of each said show, a full report
92 on the number of exhibitors at each said show, with the grades and
93 placings of the different classes of livestock exhibited.



94 The Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Fair Commission,
95 together with a committee of three (3) to be named by the
96 President of the Mississippi Livestock Council from that
97 organization, shall summarize and prepare a unified list of awards
98 for like classes in all spring district livestock shows and fall
99 state dairy shows receiving state premium money, as authorized in
100 paragraphs (d) and (e). The Executive Secretary and Chairman of
101 the Mississippi Fair Commission shall approve and present a
102 requisition to the State Fiscal Officer for the payment of the
103 amount of funds in paragraphs (d) and (e) due each show and said
104 State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrant thereon, and it shall
105 be paid by the State Treasurer.

106 Provided, however, as a condition of expenditure of the funds
107 appropriated in paragraphs (d) and (e), that the board of
108 directors of any district livestock show may, in its discretion,
109 choose to hold its show in the fall instead of the spring. If
110 district shows are held in both spring and fall, then all funds
111 herein appropriated for the five (5) district livestock shows
112 shall be distributed in such a manner that the spring livestock
113 exhibitors will each draw equal premium awards for comparable
114 grades and placings at each district spring show, and the fall
115 livestock exhibitors will each draw equal premium awards for
116 comparable grades and placings at each district fall show.

117 (f) For promotion and expenses of the winners of the
118 Mississippi High School Rodeo for attending the national finals,



119 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending
120 June 30, 2019.....\$ 12,509.00.

121 (g) For the support of the NCHA Eastern National
122 Championship, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and
123 ending June 30, 2019.....\$ 44,979.00.

124 **SECTION 3.** Of the funds in Section 2, any funds that are
125 remaining at the end of the fiscal year may be transferred between
126 the different show awards and prize monies, with the exception
127 that no county show in paragraph (c) shall receive more than
128 \$1,000.00.

129 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
130 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
131 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
132 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
133 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
134 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
135 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
136 made without competitive bids.

137 **SECTION 5.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
138 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
139 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
140 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
141 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
142 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.



143 **SECTION 6.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
144 and after July 1, 2018.

