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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1658  
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING  
2 THE EXPENSES OF THE GRAND GULF MILITARY MONUMENT COMMISSION FOR  
3 THE FISCAL YEAR 2020.

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 Grand Gulf Military Monument Commission in the  
9 operation and maintenance of the Grand Gulf Military Monument for  
10 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2020..  
11 .....\$ 277,772.00.

12 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
13 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the special fund in  
14 the State Treasury to the credit of the Grand Gulf Military  
15 Monument Commission, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of  
16 the commission in the operation and maintenance of the Grand Gulf  
17 Military Monument for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, and  
18 ending June 30, 2020.....\$ 109,035.00.



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

21       AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

22	Permanent:	Full Time.....	7
23		Part Time.....	1
24	Time-Limited:	Full Time.....	0
25		Part Time.....	0

26           With the funds herein appropriated, it shall be the agency's  
27 responsibility to make certain that funds required to be  
28 appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal Year 2021 do not  
29 exceed Fiscal Year 2020 funds appropriated for that purpose,  
30 unless programs or positions are added to the agency's Fiscal Year  
31 2020 budget by the Mississippi Legislature. Based on data  
32 provided by the Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel  
33 Board shall determine and publish the projected annual cost to  
34 fully fund all appropriated positions in compliance with the  
35 provisions of this act. It shall be the responsibility of the  
36 agency head to ensure that no single personnel action increases  
37 this projected annual cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2020  
38 appropriations for "Personal Services" when annualized, with the  
39 exception of escalated funds and the award of benchmarks. If, at  
40 the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal  
41 Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency  
42 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this  
43 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2020 "Personal Services"



44 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which  
45 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation  
46 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until  
47 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

48 Funds are provided herein for all full-time employees to  
49 receive up to a Three Percent (3%) pay increase to the realignment  
50 component of the Variable Compensation Plan, excluding head of  
51 agencies, board members and commission members.

52 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with  
53 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or  
54 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State  
55 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written  
56 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The  
57 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written  
58 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions  
59 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the  
60 appropriated level.

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

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



69           **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
70 Grand Gulf Military Monument Commission shall maintain complete  
71 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all  
72 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be  
73 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal  
74 Year 2019. It is further the intention of the Legislature that  
75 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2021 shall be  
76 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format  
77 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail  
78 provided during the Fiscal Year 2020 budget request process.

79           **SECTION 5.** It shall be unlawful for any officer, employee or  
80 other person whatsoever to use or permit or authorize the use of  
81 any automobile or any other motor vehicle owned by the State of  
82 Mississippi or any department, agency or institution thereof for  
83 any purpose other than upon the official business of the State of  
84 Mississippi or any agency, department or institution thereof.

85           It is the intent of the Legislature that motor vehicles  
86 authorized to be owned and operated by this agency shall comply  
87 with Sections 25-1-77 through 25-1-93, Mississippi Code of 1972.

88           **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that  
89 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the  
90 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things  
91 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,  
92 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind  
93 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to



94 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are  
95 made without competitive bids.

96       **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
97 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with  
98 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency  
99 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their  
100 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally  
101 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for  
102 actions contrary to this provision.

103       **SECTION 8.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
104 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
105 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
106 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
107 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
108 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

109       **SECTION 9.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
110 and after July 1, 2019.

