TO THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE HOUSE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the Budget Contingency Fund, created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code of 1972, and allocated in a manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Department of Health for the period beginning upon the passage of this act and through June 30, 2021..........................$ 1.00. This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of defraying expenses of the Department of Health for reimbursement of costs incurred by public and private hospitals located in Mississippi in connection with the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) as allowed under Section 5001 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act or any guidance or regulations issued by the United States Department of the Treasury in conformity therewith.

SECTION 2. None of the funds appropriated under the provisions of Section 1 of this act may be expended until the
State Health Officer or his designee, based on information received from the requesting hospital, certifies to the State Fiscal Officer that the expenditures are qualified for reimbursement under Section 5001 of the CARES Act and any guidance or regulations issued by the United States Department of Treasury.

SECTION 3. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer, and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2020, and shall stand repealed from and after June 30, 2020.

Andrew Ketchings
Clerk of the House of Representatives