

By: Senator(s) Hopson, Polk, Parks, DeBar,  
Simmons (13th), Williams

To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2906  
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE SUPPORT AND  
2 MAINTENANCE OF THE ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH,  
3 EXTENSION AND LAND-GRANT PROGRAMS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022.

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 Alcorn State University Agricultural Research,  
9 Extension, and Land-Grant Programs for the fiscal year beginning  
10 July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022..... \$ 6,311,173.00.

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 support and maintenance of the Alcorn State University  
15 Agricultural Research, Extension, and Land-Grant Programs for the  
16 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022 .....

17 ..... \$ 119,322.00.



18       **SECTION 3.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2,  
19 Sixty-nine Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-two Dollars (\$69,322.00)  
20 shall be derived from funds in the Education Enhancement Fund  
21 deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi  
22 Code of 1972.

23       **SECTION 4.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of  
24 Section 2, Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), or so much  
25 thereof, shall be derived out of any money in the State Treasury  
26 to the credit of the Capital Expense Fund, as created in Section  
27 27-103-303, Mississippi Code of 1972, and allocated in a manner as  
28 determined by the Treasurer's Office. These funds are provided  
29 for operational expenditures.

30       **SECTION 5.** No general funds authorized to be expended herein  
31 shall be used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds  
32 which are being used for salaries which are withdrawn and no  
33 longer available.

34       **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
35 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2023 shall be submitted to  
36 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of  
37 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided  
38 during the Fiscal Year 2022 budget request process.

39       **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that  
40 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the  
41 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things  
42 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,



quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are made without competitive bids.

**SECTION 8.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for actions contrary to this provision.

**SECTION 9.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 1, One Hundred Eighty-five Thousand Dollars (\$185,000.00) is provided for the Poultry Sciences Academic Research Center.

**SECTION 10.** 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 11.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2021.

