

**Adopted
COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

Senate Bill No. 2879

BY: Committee

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

12 **SECTION 1.** In addition to all other sums herein
13 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
14 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
15 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
16 the Treasurer's Office to defray the expenses of the Institutions
17 of Higher Learning - Office of Student Financial Aid for the
18 period beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021.....
19\$ 3,600,000.00.

20 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of
21 supporting the funding of the Mississippi Resident Tuition



22 Assistance Grant, the Mississippi Eminent Scholars Grant, and the
23 Higher Education Legislative Plan Grant.

24 **SECTION 2.** In addition to all other sums herein
25 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
26 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
27 Institutions of Higher Learning - Office of Student Financial Aid
28 and allocated in a manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office
29 to defray the expenses of the Institutions of Higher Learning -
30 Office of Student Financial Aid for the period beginning July 1,
31 2020, and ending June 30, 2021\$ 500,000.00.

32 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of
33 supporting the funding of the Mississippi Resident Tuition
34 Assistance Grant, the Mississippi Eminent Scholars Grant, and the
35 Higher Education Legislative Plan Grant.

36 **SECTION 3.** In addition to all other sums herein
37 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
38 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
39 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
40 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Mississippi
41 Department of Education for the period beginning July 1, 2020, and
42 ending June 30, 2021\$ 3,064,417.00.

43 This additional appropriation assists with the full funding
44 of CTE student attainment assessments contracted with Mississippi
45 State University (MSU). It is also to assist with the full
46 funding of the contract with MSU's Research and Curriculum Unit to



47 develop curriculum and other activities. It will further assist
48 the department with vocational and technical education programs to
49 meet the Maintenance of Effort required by the Carl Perkins Act.

50 **SECTION 4.** In addition to all other sums herein
51 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
52 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
53 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
54 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of paying for
55 certain outside legal assistance, expert witness fees, court fees,
56 judgments and settlement agreements incurred by the Office of the
57 Attorney General for the period beginning July 1, 2020, and ending
58 June 30, 2021\$ 447,413.00.

59 Of the funds appropriated in this section, the following
60 amounts are provided:

61 (a) Olivia Y., et al v. Phil Bryant, as Governor of the
62 State of Mississippi and the Department of Human Services, United
63 States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi,
64 Jackson Division, Cause No.3:03cv251(L)(N)\$ 129,680.00.

65 (b) Amos et al. v. Taylor et al. 20-cv-00007-DMB-JMV (N.D.
66 Miss); Lang, et al. v. Cain, et al., 4:20-cv-030-DMB RP (N.D.
67 Miss); Brittany Waddell, et al. v. Taylor, et al., Civil Action
68 No. 3:20-cv-340-TSL-RHW (S.D. Miss.)\$ 180,963.00.

69 (c) United States v. State of Mississippi,
70 3:16-cv-622-CWR-FKB (S.D. Miss)\$ 22,412.00.



71 (d) Joseph Thomas, Vernon Avers, and Melvin Lawson v. Tate
72 Reeves Civil Action No. 3:18-cv-00441-CWR-FKB (S.D. Miss).....
73\$ 36,203.00.

74 (e) IRS Representation vs State Agencies.....
75\$ 78,155.00.

76 **SECTION 5.** In addition to all other sums herein
77 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
78 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
79 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
80 the Treasurer's Office to defray the expenses of the Department of
81 Public Safety for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, and
82 ending June 30, 2021\$ 625,000.00.

83 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of
84 hiring and equipping personnel for the Driver Services Bureau.

85 **SECTION 6.** In addition to all other sums herein
86 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
87 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
88 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
89 the Treasurer's Office to defray the expenses of the Department of
90 Public Safety for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, and
91 ending June 30, 2021\$ 111,667.00.

92 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of
93 hiring and equipping three (3) new forensics laboratory death
94 investigators for the Mississippi Forensics Laboratory.



95 **SECTION 7.** In addition to all other sums herein
96 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
97 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
98 State Fire Academy and allocated in a manner as determined by the
99 Treasurer's Office to defray the expenses of the State Fire
100 Academy for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending
101 June 30, 2021\$ 315,700.00.

102 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of
103 conducting workforce development courses.

104 **SECTION 8.** In addition to all other sums herein
105 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
106 necessary is appropriated out of any money to the Rural Fire Truck
107 Acquisition Fund and/or the Supplementary Rural Fire Truck Fund,
108 which was created in Section 152 of Chapter 1, Laws of 2004, Third
109 Extraordinary Session, to the Mississippi Insurance Department for
110 the Rural Fire Truck Acquisition Assistance Program for the fiscal
111 year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021.....
112\$ 2,300,000.00.

113 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of
114 funding rural fire trucks.

115 **SECTION 9.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
116 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Capital
117 Expense Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the credit of the
118 Department of Finance and Administration for the purpose of
119 defraying the expenses incurred by the department as required by



120 the Rose Isabel Williams Mental Health Reform Act of 2020, for the
121 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021
122 \$ 230,000.00.

123 The funds provided under the provision of this section shall
124 be expended by the department to hire the Coordinator of Mental
125 Health Accessibility under the occupational title of DFA-Deputy
126 Director. The department shall also expend the funds provided
127 under this section to hire the coordinator's contractual staff.

128 **SECTION 10.** In addition to all other sums herein
129 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
130 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
131 Department of Marine Resources, and allocated in a manner as
132 determined by the Treasurer's Office to defray the expenses of the
133 Department for the period July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021
134\$ 2,000,000.00.

135 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of continued
136 funding of ongoing projects.

137 **SECTION 11.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
138 and after its passage.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1 AN ACT MAKING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF CAPITAL EXPENSE
2 FUNDS, AND SPECIAL FUNDS TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE
3 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING - OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL AID
4 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021, THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR FISCAL YEAR
5 2021, THE OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; THE STATE FIRE



7 ACADEMY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; AND THE MISSISSIPPI INSURANCE
8 DEPARTMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
9 ADMINISTRATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; THE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE
10 RESOURCES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

