

**Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 1371**

**TO THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE:**

**THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE SENATE 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:**

6           **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
7 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury  
8 to the credit of the Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home  
9 Administrators for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the  
10 board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending  
11 June 30, 2022 .....\$                   188,693.00.

12           **SECTION 2.** With the funds appropriated under the provisions  
13 of Section 1, the following positions are authorized:

14       **AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:**

15	Permanent:	Full Time.....	2
16		Part Time.....	0
17	Time-Limited:	Full Time.....	0
18		Part Time.....	0

19           With the funds herein appropriated, it shall be the agency's  
20 responsibility to make certain that funds required to be  
21 appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal Year 2023 do not  
22 exceed Fiscal Year 2022 funds appropriated for that purpose unless

23 programs or positions are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2022  
24 budget by the Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by  
25 the Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall  
26 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all  
27 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this  
28 act. Absent a special situation or circumstance approved by the  
29 State Personnel Board, or unless otherwise authorized by this act,  
30 no state agency shall take any action to promote or otherwise  
31 award salary increases through reallocation or realignment. If  
32 the State Personnel Board determines a special situation or  
33 circumstance exists and approves an action, then the agency and  
34 the State Personnel Board shall provide a monthly report of each  
35 action approved by the State Personnel Board to the chairmen of  
36 the Accountability, Efficiency and Transparency Committees of the  
37 Senate and House of Representatives and the chairmen of the  
38 Appropriations Committees of the Senate and House of  
39 Representatives. It shall be the responsibility of the agency  
40 head to ensure that no single personnel action increases this  
41 projected annual cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2022 appropriations  
42 for "Personal Services" when annualized, with the exception of  
43 escalated funds and the award of benchmarks. If, at the time the  
44 agency takes any action to change "Personal Services," the State  
45 Personnel Board determines that the agency has taken an action  
46 which would cause the agency to exceed this projected annual cost  
47 or the Fiscal Year 2022 "Personal Services" appropriated level,  
48 when annualized, then only those actions which reduce the

49 projected annual cost and/or the appropriation requirement will be  
50 processed by the State Personnel Board until such time as the  
51 requirements of this provision are met.

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 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
70 Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home Administrators shall  
71 maintain complete accounting and personnel records related to the  
72 expenditure of all funds appropriated under this act and that such  
73 records shall be in the same format and level of detail as  
74 maintained for Fiscal Year 2021. It is further the intention of

75 the Legislature that the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year  
76 2023 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee  
77 in a format and level of detail comparable to the format and level  
78 of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2022 budget request  
79 process.

80         **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
81 Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home Administrators deposit all  
82 revenue generated into a special fund in the State Treasury to the  
83 credit of the Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home  
84 Administrators and that all interest earned or deposited to the  
85 fund shall remain in the fund and not be paid into the State  
86 General Fund of Mississippi.

87         **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that  
88 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the  
89 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things  
90 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,  
91 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind  
92 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to  
93 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are  
94 made without competitive bids.

95         **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
96 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with  
97 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency  
98 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their  
99 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally

100 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for  
101 actions contrary to this provision.

102         **SECTION 7.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
103 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
104 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
105 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
106 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
107 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

108         **SECTION 8.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
109 and after July 1, 2021.

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

1           AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FROM SPECIAL FUNDS IN THE  
2 STATE TREASURY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE  
3 MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS FOR THE  
4 FISCAL YEAR 2022.

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