Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 1378

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 General
8	Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying
9	salaries and travel expenses of district attorneys, assistant
10	district attorneys, criminal investigators, tort claims
11	assessments, and paying office expenses of district attorneys for
12	the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022
13	\$ 25,051,231.00.
14	SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
15	necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State
16	Prosecutor Compensation Fund, referred to in Section 99-19-73,
17	Mississippi Code of 1972, for the purpose of paying salaries of
18	assistant district attorneys of the state as authorized in Section
19	25-31-5(1) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending
20	June 30, 2022\$ 713,062.00.

H. B. 1378 PAGE 1 21 SECTION 3. None of the funds authorized in this section 22 shall be used to reimburse district attorneys or their staff for 23 taxable meals incurred within their geographical district.

SECTION 4. Of the funds appropriated herein, office expenses
of district attorneys as authorized by Section 25-31-8,
Mississippi Code of 1972, in the amount of One Million Two Hundred
Thirty-four Thousand Dollars (\$1,234,000.00).

SECTION 5. Of the funds appropriated in Section 1, office expenses and such funds for salaries shall be provided as authorized in Section 25-3-35(6), Mississippi Code of 1972, to fund the salary for one (1) full-time legal assistant in the Sixth Circuit Court District as authorized in Section 25-31-5(2)(f), Mississippi Code of 1972.

34 SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that the district attorneys and assistant district attorneys of the state 35 36 shall maintain complete accounting and personnel records related 37 to the expenditure of all funds appropriated in this act and that those records shall be in the same format and level of details as 38 39 maintained for Fiscal Year 2021. It is further the intention of 40 the Legislature that the budget requests for Fiscal Year 2023 41 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a 42 format and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2022 budget request process 43 for each agency and institution appropriated funds within the 44 provisions of this act. 45

H. B. 1378 PAGE 2 46 **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that with 47 the funds provided herein, the district attorneys shall submit 48 their Five-Year Strategic Plan(s) as required in Section 49 27-103-129(1), Mississippi Code of 1972.

50 SECTION 8. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by 51 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the 52 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon 53 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal 54 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the 55 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

56 **SECTION 9.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 57 and after July 1, 2021, and shall stand repealed June 29, 2021.

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

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING 2 SALARIES AND TRAVEL EXPENSES OF DISTRICT ATTORNEYS AND ASSISTANT 3 DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OF THE STATE AND PAYING OFFICE EXPENSES OF 4 DISTRICT ATTORNEYS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022.

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