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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1006

1 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD TO
2 ESTABLISH THE COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGE NURSING SUPPLEMENTAL
3 FUNDING PROGRAM, WHICH WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO THE
4 PUBLIC COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES TO EXPAND AND IMPROVE THE
5 OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE EXISTING NURSING DEGREE
6 PROGRAMS THAT ARE OFFERED AT THE COLLEGES; AND FOR RELATED
7 PURPOSES.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

9 **SECTION 1.** (1) The Mississippi Community College Board
10 shall establish the Community and Junior College Nursing
11 Supplemental Funding Program, which will provide additional
12 funding to the public community and junior colleges to expand and
13 improve the operation and administration of the existing nursing
14 degree programs that are offered at the colleges. The board shall
15 adopt such rules and regulations as necessary for the
16 administration of the program.

17 (2) Under the supplemental funding program, the board shall
18 receive applications from the colleges requesting additional
19 funding for their nursing programs, describing in detail how the
20 funds will be used by the colleges, how the receipt of the funds



21 will improve their nursing degree programs, and any other
22 information as required by the board. The board shall develop a
23 system to use for ranking the applications received, so that the
24 additional funding will be provided to those colleges that have
25 the greatest need for the funds for the operation of their nursing
26 programs, and those colleges that can provide the greatest benefit
27 to nursing education and the nursing profession in Mississippi by
28 expansion or improvement of their nursing programs.

29 (3) An application for additional funding under the program
30 shall be submitted at such time, be in such form, and contain such
31 information as the board prescribes.

32 (4) The board shall operate the supplemental funding program
33 and provide additional funding to colleges under the program from
34 any funds appropriated to the board by the Legislature for that
35 purpose.

36 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
37 and after July 1, 2022.

