MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representatives White, Turner

To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1521

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING FOR THE PURPOSES OF
CONSTRUCTING A NEW NURSING SCHOOL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI
MEDICAL CENTER AND PROVIDING FUNDING FOR THE NURSING EDUCATION
INCENTIVE PROGRAM CREATED IN HOUSE BILL NO. 1005, 2022 REGULAR
SESSION, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023.

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

SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much of it as may be
necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus
State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the
Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning for the
purpose of paying the costs associated with the construction of a
new nursing school at the University of Mississippi Medical
Center, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending
June 30, 2023..........................$ 67,500,000.00.

SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much of it as may be
necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus
State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the
Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning for the
purpose of providing funding for the Nursing Education Incentive
Program created in House Bill No. 1005, 2022 Regular Session, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023. .................................................................$ 10,000,000.00.

SECTION 3. (1) As used in this section and Section 4 of this act, the term "board" means the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning.

(2) The board shall not disburse any funds appropriated under this act to any recipient without first: (a) making an individualized determination that the reimbursement sought is, in the board's independent judgment, for necessary expenditures eligible under Section 602 of the federal Social Security Act as added by Section 9901 of the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) and its implementing guidelines, guidance, rules, regulations and/or other criteria, as may be amended or supplemented from time to time, by the United States Department of the Treasury; and (b) determining that the recipient has not received and will not receive reimbursement for the expense in question from any source of funds, including insurance proceeds, other than those funds provided under Section 602 of the federal Social Security Act as added by Section 9901 of ARPA. In addition, the board shall ensure that all funds appropriated under this act are disbursed in compliance with the Single Audit Act (31 USC Sections 7501-7507) and the related provisions of the Uniform Guidance, 2 CFR Section 200.303 regarding internal controls, Sections 200.330 through 200.332 regarding sub-recipient...
monitoring and management, and subpart F regarding audit
requirements.

**SECTION 4.** (1) As a condition of receiving and expending
the funds appropriated to the board under this act, the board
shall certify to the Department of Finance and Administration that
each expenditure of the funds appropriated to the board under this
act complies with the guidelines, guidance, rules, regulations
and/or other criteria, as may be amended from time to time, of the
United States Department of the Treasury regarding the use of
monies from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund established
by ARPA.

(2) If the Office of Inspector General of the United States
Department of the Treasury, or the Office of Inspector General of
any other federal agency having oversight over the use of monies
from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund established by
ARPA (a) determines that the board or recipient has expended or
otherwise used any of the funds appropriated to the board under
this act for any purpose that is not in compliance with the
guidelines, guidance, rules, regulations and/or other criteria, as
may be amended from time to time, of the United States Department
of the Treasury regarding the use of monies from the Coronavirus
State Fiscal Recovery Fund established by ARPA, and (b) the State
of Mississippi is required to repay the federal government for any
of those funds that the Office of the Inspector General determined
were expended or otherwise used improperly by the board or
recipient, then the board or recipient that expended or otherwise used those funds improperly shall be required to pay the amount of those funds to the State of Mississippi for repayment to the federal government.

SECTION 5. The money appropriated by this act shall be paid by the State Treasurer out of any money in the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, upon warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his or her warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2022.