

By: Representatives Turner, Aguirre, Boyd,
Thompson

To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1559

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
2 AND ADMINISTRATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO LEE
3 COUNTY AND MUNICIPALITIES LOCATED IN LEE COUNTY FOR CERTAIN
4 PROJECTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be
7 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus
8 State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the
9 Department of Finance and Administration for the purpose of
10 providing funds to Lee County, Mississippi, and municipalities
11 located in Lee County for the projects described in Section 2 of
12 this act, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending
13 June 30, 2023.....\$ 83,150,000.00.

14 **SECTION 2.** The money appropriated under Section 1 of this
15 act shall be distributed by the department to Lee County and
16 municipalities located in Lee County for the following projects:

- 17 (a) Lee County.....total of \$ 28,300,000.00.
- 18 (i) Lee County Adult Detention Facility upgrades..
- 19\$ 8,000,000.00.



20 (ii) Lee County Library upgrades...\$ 8,000,000.00.
 21 (iii) Sand Creek Wastewater Authority upgrades
 22\$ 6,300,000.00.
 23 (iv) Lee County 911 Operations Center upgrades
 24\$ 2,500,000.00.
 25 (v) Turner Industrial Park water and sewer
 26 upgrades.....\$ 500,000.00.
 27 (vi) Storm drainage repairs and upgrades.....
 28\$ 3,000,000.00.
 29 (b) City of Tupelo.....total of \$22,200,000.00.
 30 (i) Tupelo Aquatic Center air filtration system
 31 upgrades.....\$ 1,200,000.00.
 32 (ii) Water, sewer and storm sewer upgrades.....
 33\$ 8,000,000.00.
 34 (iii) Outdoor recreation attraction construction..
 35\$ 13,000,000.00.
 36 (c) City of Baldwin.....total of \$ 6,000,000.00.
 37 (i) Community Center construction.....
 38\$ 5,000,000.00.
 39 (ii) Water, sewer and storm sewer upgrades.....
 40\$ 1,000,000.00.
 41 (e) City of Guntown.....total of \$ 5,400,000.00.
 42 Water, sewer and storm sewer upgrades.....
 43\$ 5,400,000.00.
 44 (f) City of Saltillo.....total of \$ 2,400,000.00.



45 Water, sewer and storm sewer upgrades.....
 46 \$ 2,400,000.00.
 47 (g) Town of Sherman.....total of \$ 1,100,000.00.
 48 (i) Water and sewer upgrades.....\$ 750,000.00.
 49 (ii) Storm drainage improvements.....\$ 350,000.00.
 50 (h) Town of Plantersville.....total of \$ 2,550,000.00.
 51 (i) Fire station upgrades.....\$ 1,000,000.00.
 52 (ii) Water, sewer and storm sewer upgrades.....
 53 \$ 1,500,000.00.
 54 (iii) Storm shelter expansion.....\$ 50,000.00.
 55 (i) City of Verona.....total of \$ 10,500,000.00.
 56 (i) Water, sewer and storm sewer upgrades.....
 57 \$10,300,000.00.
 58 (ii) Storm shelter expansion.....\$200,000.00.
 59 (j) Town of Shannon.....total of \$ 450,000.00.
 60 Drinking water metering upgrades.....\$ 450,000.00.
 61 (k) City of Nettleton.....total of \$ 4,250,000.00.
 62 (i) Water, sewer and storm sewer upgrades.....
 63 \$3,900,000.00.
 64 (ii) Drinking water metering upgrades.....
 65 \$ 300,000.00.
 66 (iii) Storm shelter expansion.....\$ 50,000.00.
 67 TOTAL\$ 83,150,000.00.



68 **SECTION 3.** (1) As used in this section and Section 4 of
69 this act, the term "department" means the Department of Finance
70 and Administration.

71 (2) The department shall not disburse any funds appropriated
72 under this act to any recipient without first: (a) making an
73 individualized determination that the reimbursement sought is, in
74 the department's independent judgment, for necessary expenditures
75 eligible under Section 602 of the federal Social Security Act as
76 added by Section 9901 of the federal American Rescue Plan Act of
77 2021 (ARPA) and its implementing guidelines, guidance, rules,
78 regulations and/or other criteria, as may be amended or
79 supplemented from time to time, by the United States Department of
80 the Treasury; and (b) determining that the recipient has not
81 received and will not receive reimbursement for the expense in
82 question from any source of funds, including insurance proceeds,
83 other than those funds provided under Section 602 of the federal
84 Social Security Act as added by Section 9901 of ARPA. In
85 addition, the department shall ensure that all funds appropriated
86 under this act are disbursed in compliance with the Single Audit
87 Act (31 USC Sections 7501-7507) and the related provisions of the
88 Uniform Guidance, 2 CFR Section 200.303 regarding internal
89 controls, Sections 200.330 through 200.332 regarding sub-recipient
90 monitoring and management, and subpart F regarding audit
91 requirements.



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

101 (2) If the Office of Inspector General of the United States
102 Department of the Treasury, or the Office of Inspector General of
103 any other federal agency having oversight over the use of monies
104 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund established by
105 ARPA (a) determines that the department or recipient has expended
106 or otherwise used any of the funds appropriated to the department
107 under this act for any purpose that is not in compliance with the
108 guidelines, guidance, rules, regulations and/or other criteria, as
109 may be amended from time to time, of the United States Department
110 of the Treasury regarding the use of monies from the Coronavirus
111 State Fiscal Recovery Fund established by ARPA, and (b) the State
112 of Mississippi is required to repay the federal government for any
113 of those funds that the Office of the Inspector General determined
114 were expended or otherwise used improperly by the department or
115 recipient, then the department or recipient that expended or
116 otherwise used those funds improperly shall be required to pay the



117 amount of those funds to the State of Mississippi for repayment to
118 the federal government.

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

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

