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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1597
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE
2 EXPENSES AND PROVIDING CONTINGENT FUNDS FOR THE LEGISLATURE, THE
3 EXPENSES OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE, THE EXPENSES
4 OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND
5 EXPENDITURE REVIEW, THE EXPENSES OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE
6 REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE, THE EXPENSES OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON
7 COMPILATION, REVISION AND PUBLICATION OF LEGISLATION, PAYING THE
8 MONTHLY EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE,
9 PAYING THE STATE'S SHARE OF VARIOUS ASSESSMENTS, AND FOR RELATED
10 PURPOSES, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023.

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

12 **SECTION 1.** The following sums, or so much thereof as may be
13 necessary, are appropriated out of any money in the State General
14 Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying
15 salaries, mileage, insurance, matching funds and the daily expense
16 allowance of the members of the Legislature for the Regular
17 Session of 2023 and providing contingent funds for the House of
18 Representatives and Senate for the fiscal year beginning
19 July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, as follows:

20 For salaries, mileage, insurance,
21 matching funds and daily
22 expense allowance of members



23 of the House of Representatives.....\$ 4,204,526.00.

24 For Contingent Fund for the
25 House of Representatives.....\$ 7,658,264.00.

26 Out of the above amount appropriated for the Contingent Fund
27 for the House of Representatives, not more than Fifteen Thousand
28 Dollars (\$15,000.00) shall be expended for defraying the expenses
29 of and for the use of the members of the Mississippi Commission on
30 Interstate Cooperation, as created under Section 5-5-1 et seq.,
31 Mississippi Code of 1972.

32 For salaries, mileage, insurance,
33 matching funds and daily
34 expense allowance of members
35 of the Senate.....\$ 1,832,767.00.

36 For Contingent Fund for the Senate.....\$ 6,046,612.00.

37 Out of the above amount appropriated for the Contingent Fund
38 for the Senate, not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00)
39 shall be expended for defraying the expenses of and for the use of
40 the members of the Mississippi Commission on Interstate
41 Cooperation, as created under Section 5-5-1 et seq., Mississippi
42 Code of 1972.

43 For the joint legislative operations of the House of
44 Representatives and the Senate.....\$ 1,088,244.00.

45 For the expenses of the Joint Legislative
46 Budget Committee.....\$ 4,440,134.00.

47 For the expenses of the Joint Legislative



48 Committee on Performance Evaluation
 49 and Expenditure Review.....\$ 2,568,984.00.
 50 For the expenses of the Joint Legislative
 51 Reapportionment Committee.....\$ 879,207.00.
 52 For the expenses of the Joint Legislative
 53 Code Committee.....\$ 400,000.00.

54 The Joint Legislative Reapportionment Committee shall
 55 prepare, publish and provide semiannual reports to each member of
 56 the Legislature and such reports shall provide a line-by-line
 57 detailed accounting of all receipts and expenditures of any and
 58 all monies appropriated by the Legislature to the Joint
 59 Legislative Reapportionment Committee. Any meetings of the Joint
 60 Legislative Reapportionment Committee shall be held in state
 61 offices or at publicly owned facilities.

62 **SECTION 2.** The following sums, or so much thereof as may be
 63 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State General
 64 Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying the
 65 monthly expense allowance of the members of the Legislature, as
 66 provided in Section 5-1-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the
 67 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, as
 68 follows:

69 For the House of Representatives.....\$ 2,639,066.00.
 70 For the Senate.....\$ 1,145,308.00.

71 **SECTION 3.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
 72 necessary is appropriated out of any money in the State General



73 Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying the
74 state's share of various assessments for the fiscal year beginning
75 July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 429,880.00.

76 Of the funds authorized in this section, the following
77 distribution shall be made:

78 Southern States Energy Board.....\$ 29,077.00.
79 Interstate Cooperation.....\$ 324,453.00.
80 National Conference of Commissioners
81 on Uniform State Laws.....\$ 37,950.00.
82 The Energy Council.....\$ 38,400.00.

83 **SECTION 4.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
84 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury
85 to the credit of the Capital Expense Fund, for the purpose of
86 defraying the expenses of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee
87 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30,
88 2023.....\$ 848,000.00.

89 **SECTION 5.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
90 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury
91 to the credit of the Capital Expense Fund, for the purpose of
92 defraying the expenses of the Joint Legislative Committee on
93 Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review for the fiscal year
94 beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023.....
95\$ 750,000.00

96 **SECTION 6.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
97 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury



98 to the credit of the joint operations of the House of
99 Representatives and the Senate not otherwise appropriated, for the
100 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023.....
101\$ 50,000.00.

102 **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
103 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this Legislature for
104 the purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
105 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
106 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
107 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
108 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
109 made without competitive bids.

110 **SECTION 8.** None of the funds appropriated under the
111 provisions of this act may be used to pay or reimburse any
112 expenses of out-of-state travel for any member or employee of the
113 House of Representatives without prior approval of the House
114 Management Committee or for any member or employee of the Senate
115 without prior approval of the Senate Rules Committee.

116 **SECTION 9.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
117 necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State
118 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the House of
119 Representatives for the purpose of reauthorizing the expenditure
120 of State General Funds, as authorized in HB 1381, 2021 Regular
121 Session, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending
122 June 30, 2023.....\$ 500,000.00.



123 Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the
124 provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended
125 exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2022.

126 **SECTION 10.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
127 necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State
128 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the Senate for the
129 purpose of reauthorizing the expenditure of State General Funds,
130 as authorized in HB 1381, 2021 Regular Session, for the fiscal
131 year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.....
132\$ 500,000.00.

133 Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the
134 provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended
135 exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2022.

136 **SECTION 11.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
137 necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State
138 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the joint operations
139 of the House of Representatives and the Senate for the purpose of
140 reauthorizing the expenditure of State General Funds, as
141 authorized in HB 1381, 2021 Regular Session, for the fiscal year
142 beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.....
143\$ 400,000.00.

144 Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the
145 provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended
146 exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2022.



147 **SECTION 12.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
148 necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State
149 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the Joint Legislative
150 Reapportionment Committee for the purpose of reauthorizing the
151 expenditure of State General Funds, as authorized in HB 1381, 2021
152 Regular Session, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and
153 ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 10,000.00.

154 Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the
155 provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended
156 exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2022.

157 **SECTION 13.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
158 necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State
159 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the Joint Legislative
160 Budget Committee for the purpose of reauthorizing the expenditure
161 of State General Funds, as authorized in HB 1381, 2021 Regular
162 Session, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending
163 June 30, 2023.....\$ 250,000.00.

164 Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the
165 provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended
166 exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2022.

167 **SECTION 14.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
168 necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the
169 Capital Expense Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the Joint
170 Legislative Budget Committee for the purpose of reauthorizing the
171 expenditure of State General Funds, as authorized in HB 1381, 2021



172 Regular Session, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and
173 ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 3,700,000.00.

174 Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the
175 provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended
176 exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2022.

177 **SECTION 15.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
178 necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State
179 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the Joint Legislative
180 Committee on Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review for the
181 purpose of reauthorizing the expenditure of State General Funds,
182 as authorized in HB 1381, 2021 Regular Session, for the fiscal
183 year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.....
184\$ 65,000.00.

185 Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the
186 provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended
187 exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2022.

188 **SECTION 16.** Of the funds provided herein, the Clerk of the
189 Mississippi House of Representatives and the Secretary of the
190 Mississippi Senate may transfer funds between accounts for their
191 respective chambers which are administered by the Mississippi
192 House of Representatives and the Mississippi Senate.

193 **SECTION 17.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
194 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
195 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
196 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal



197 Officer shall issue warrants upon requisitions signed by the
198 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

199 **SECTION 18.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
200 and after July 1, 2022.

