

By: Representative Read

To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1631

1 AN ACT MAKING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF CAPITAL EXPENSE
 2 FUNDS, AND SPECIAL FUNDS TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE ATTORNEY
 3 GENERAL'S OFFICE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 AND FISCAL YEAR 2023; THE
 4 WIRELESS COMMUNICATION COMMISSION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022; THE JOINT
 5 COMMITTEE ON REAPPORTIONMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022; THE STATE
 6 VETERANS AFFAIRS BOARD FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022; THE OFFICE OF STUDENT
 7 FINANCIAL AID FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022; THE GOVERNORS OFFICE -
 8 DIVISION OF MEDICAID FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022; THE DEPARTMENT OF
 9 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022; AND FOR RELATED
 10 PURPOSES.

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

12 **SECTION 1.** In addition to all other sums herein
 13 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
 14 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
 15 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
 16 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of paying for
 17 certain outside legal assistance, expert witness fees, court fees,
 18 judgments and settlement agreements incurred by the Office of the
 19 Attorney General for the period July 1,2021, and ending June 30,
 20 2022.....\$ 1,398,000.00.

21 Of the funds appropriated in this section, the following
22 amounts are provided:



23 (a) Settlement between the United States Environmental
 24 Protection Agency and State of Mississippi; Chemfax Inc.,
 25 Superfund Site, Gulfport, Harrison County, Mississippi, Site/Spill
 26 ID Number: 04JF, CERCLA ID Number: MSD008154486, Settlement
 27 Agreement for the Recovery of Response Costs, Docket No.
 28 CERCLA-04-2014-3756.....\$ 3,000.00.

29 (b) Olivia Y., et al v. Phil Bryant, as Governor of the
 30 State of Mississippi and the Department of Human Services, United
 31 States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi,
 32 Jackson Division, Cause No. 3:03cv251(L) (N).....\$400,000.00.

33 (c) Pickett v. Mississippi Board of Animal Health,
 34 2:18-cv-00214-KS-JCG (S.D. Miss).....\$ 200,000.00.

35 (d) IHS Pharmacy v. Mississippi Department of Corrections,
 36 Hinds County Circuit Court, Cause No. 17-572.....
 37\$ 625,000.00.

38 (e) Tyler Edmonds v. State of Mississippi, Circuit Court of
 39 Oktibbeha County, Mississippi, Claimant No. 2009-0457-CV.....
 40\$ 50,000.00.

41 (f) Curtis Flowers v. State of Mississippi, Circuit Court of
 42 Montgomery County, Mississippi, Case No. 1:20-cv-00150.....
 43\$ 50,000.00.

44 (g) Harvill Payne Richardson v. State of Mississippi, Circuit
 45 Court of Harrison County, Mississippi, Second Judicial District,
 46 Cause No. A2402-2020-87.....\$ 50,000.00.



47 **SECTION 2.** In addition to all other sums herein
48 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
49 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
50 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
51 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of paying for
52 certain outside legal assistance, expert witness fees, court fees,
53 judgments and settlement agreements incurred by the Office of the
54 Attorney General for the period beginning upon passage of this act
55 and ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 675,000.00.

56 (a) Olivia Y., et al v. Phil Bryant, as Governor of the
57 State of Mississippi and the Department of Human Services, United
58 States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi,
59 Jackson Division, Cause No. 3:03cv251(L)(N).....\$ 125,000.00.

60 (b) Amos et al. v Taylor et al. 20-cv-00007-DMB-JMV (N.D.
61 Miss); Lang, et al. v Cain et al., 4:20-cv-030-DMB-RP (N.D. Miss)
62 and Brittany Waddell, et al. v. Taylor et al., Civil Action No.
63 3:20-cv-340-TSL-RHW (S.D. Miss)(attorney fees).....\$ 300,000.00.

64 (c) Jackson Women’s Health Organization et al v. Dobbs et
65 al., 3:18-cv-00171-CWR-FKB (S.D. Miss)(expert payments).....
66\$ 100,000.00.

67 (d) United States v. State of Mississippi,
68 3:16-cv-622-CWR-FKB (S.D. Miss)(attorney fees).....
69\$ 200,000.00.



70 (e) Special Master as Required by Order of the Federal Court
71 for United States v. State of Mississippi, 3:16-cv-00622-CWR-FKS
72 (S.D. Miss).....\$ 75,000.00.

73 **SECTION 3.** In addition to all other sums herein
74 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
75 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
76 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
77 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Wireless
78 Communication Commission for the period July 1, 2021, and ending
79 June 30, 2022.....\$ 606,242.00.

80 This additional appropriation is made for contractually
81 obligated system maintenance.

82 **SECTION 4.** In addition to all other sums herein
83 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
84 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
85 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
86 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Joint
87 Committee on Reapportionment for the period July 1, 2021, and
88 ending June 30, 2022.....\$ 25,000.00.

89 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of agency
90 operations.

91 **SECTION 5.** In addition to all other sums herein
92 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
93 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
94 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by



95 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the State
96 Veterans Affairs Board for the period July 1, 2021, and ending
97 June 30, 2022..... \$ 103,113.00.

98 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of paying an
99 ACA penalty.

100 **SECTION 6.** In addition to all other sums herein
101 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
102 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of
103 Office of Student Financial Aid and allocated in a manner as
104 determined by the Treasurer's Office to defray the expenses of the
105 department for the period July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022..
106\$ 3,500,000.00.

107 This additional appropriation is for administration of a
108 summer grant program.

109 **SECTION 7.** In addition to all other sums herein
110 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
111 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
112 Governor's Office - Division of Medicaid, and allocated in a
113 manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office to defray the
114 expenses of the department for the period July 1, 2021, and ending
115 June 30, 2022.....\$ 500,000,000.00.

116 This additional appropriation is for federal matching funds
117 for Medicaid medical services.

118 **SECTION 8.** In addition to all other sums herein appropriated,
119 the following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is



120 appropriated out of is appropriated out of any money to the credit
121 of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, and allocated in a
122 manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office, to the Department
123 of Finance and Administration to make payments for the period July
124 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022.....\$ 8,046,958.00.

125 This additional appropriation is for paying Non-Entitlement
126 Units in accordance with the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery
127 Fund in Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
128 (Public Law No. 117-2) and any applicable federal guidelines.

129 **SECTION 9.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
130 and after passage.

