

By: Representative Read

To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1631
(As Passed the House)

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).....\$ 220,000.00.

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) Amos et al. v Taylor et al. 20-cv-00007-DMB-JMV (N.D.
57 Miss); Lang, et al. v Cain et al., 4:20-cv-030-DMB-RP (N.D. Miss)
58 and Brittany Waddell, et al. v. Taylor et al., Civil Action No.
59 3:20-cv-340-TSL-RHW (S.D. Miss) (attorney fees).....\$ 300,000.00.

60 (b) Jackson Women's Health Organization et al v. Dobbs et
61 al., 3:18-cv-00171-CWR-FKB (S.D. Miss) (expert payments).....
62\$ 100,000.00.

63 (c) United States v. State of Mississippi,
64 3:16-cv-622-CWR-FKB (S.D. Miss) (attorney fees).....
65\$ 200,000.00.

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

69 **SECTION 3.** In addition to all other sums herein
70 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
71 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the



72 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
73 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Wireless
74 Communication Commission for the period July 1, 2021, and ending
75 June 30, 2022.....\$ 606,242.00.

76 This additional appropriation is made for contractually
77 obligated system maintenance.

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

85 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of agency
86 operations.

87 **SECTION 5.** In addition to all other sums herein
88 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
89 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
90 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
91 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the State
92 Veterans Affairs Board for the period July 1, 2021, and ending
93 June 30, 2022..... \$ 103,113.00.

94 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of paying an
95 ACA penalty.



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

103 This additional appropriation is for administration of a
104 summer grant program.

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

112 This additional appropriation is for federal matching funds
113 for Medicaid medical services.

114 **SECTION 8.** In addition to all other sums herein appropriated,
115 the following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is
116 appropriated out of is appropriated out of any money to the credit
117 of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, and allocated in a
118 manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office, to the Department
119 of Finance and Administration to make payments for the period July
120 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022.....\$ 8,046,958.00.



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

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

