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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3012
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE AID AND SUPPORT OF THE
2 PUBLIC COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
3 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
6 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
7 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the aid and support
8 of the public community and junior colleges for the fiscal year
9 beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023.....
10\$ 157,581,404.00.

11 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
12 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
13 Education Enhancement Fund deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75
14 and 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, not otherwise
15 appropriated, for the aid and support of public community and
16 junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and
17 ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 49,884,946.00.



18 **SECTION 3.** The funds appropriated in this act for the aid
 19 and support of the public and community junior colleges shall be
 20 apportioned in accordance with the following assigned weights:

		FTE
	<u>Formula Section</u>	<u>Formula</u>
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23	(a) Aid to Colleges:	
24	Base	15% prior year
25		appropriation
26	Academic	1.0
27	Technical	1.0
28	MSVCC Shared Host	.75
29	MSVCC Shared Provider	.25
30	(b) Career	1.0
31	(c) Associate Degree	
32	Nursing	1.19
33	(d) Associate Degree	
34	Allied Health	1.19

35 Academic, Technical, Career, Associate Degree Nursing and
 36 Associate Degree Allied Health funds shall be disbursed on the
 37 basis of prior year full-time equivalency (FTE) of hours generated
 38 during the summer, fall and spring semesters for each public
 39 community and junior college student actually enrolled and in
 40 attendance the last day of the sixth week of each semester, or its
 41 equivalent, counting only students who reside within the State of
 42 Mississippi. However, associate degree nursing students who



43 reside outside the State of Mississippi may be counted for pay
44 purposes.

45 Mississippi Virtual Community College (MSVCC) shared hosted
46 and provided courses may qualify for incentive funding on the
47 basis of the prior year full-time equivalency (FTE) of MSVCC
48 shared hours generated during the summer, fall and spring
49 semesters. In addition, all provider MSVCC semester credit hours
50 will be included in either the academic, technical or career
51 sections of the formula at a weight of one (1.0).

52 The Director of the Mississippi Community College Board, or
53 his designee, shall audit each public community and junior college
54 and shall determine who shall be counted in each college and shall
55 certify the number to the Mississippi Community College Board.

56 If, pending determination of the enrollment of students at
57 the public community and junior colleges entitled to participate
58 in this appropriation, as provided for in this section, the
59 Mississippi Community College Board shall find and determine that
60 any such public or community junior college does not have
61 sufficient funds on hand for payment of the necessary expenses of
62 its operation for the period commencing July 1, 2022, until
63 distribution of the funds appropriated hereby, then, in that
64 event, the Mississippi Community College Board is expressly
65 authorized to make an advance to any such public community or
66 junior college or colleges not having sufficient operating funds
67 for such period from the funds appropriated hereby; provided,



68 however, that the amount of any such advance to any one (1) public
69 community or junior college shall not exceed thirty-three percent
70 (33%) of the amount of state-appropriated funds received by such
71 public community or junior college during the preceding fiscal
72 year; and provided, further, that the amount of any such advance
73 shall be deducted from the pro rata part of the funds appropriated
74 hereby accruing to said public community or junior college when
75 enrollment has been ascertained and distribution of funds is made.

76 **SECTION 4.** No part of the amount herein appropriated shall
77 be used by the Mississippi Community College Board for
78 administrative or other purposes except in the manner and to the
79 extent authorized in this act making an appropriation for the
80 expenses of the Mississippi Community College Board.

81 **SECTION 5.** The funds disbursed under the provisions of this
82 act shall be accounted for through the Mississippi Community
83 College Board.

84 **SECTION 6.** The following public community and junior
85 colleges which qualify shall participate in the funds provided by
86 Sections 1 and 2 of this act:

87 Coahoma Community College, Copiah-Lincoln Community College,
88 East Central Community College, East Mississippi Community
89 College, Hinds Community College District, Holmes Community
90 College, Itawamba Community College, Jones County Junior College,
91 Meridian Community College, Mississippi Delta Community College,
92 Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College District, Northeast



93 Mississippi Community College, Northwest Mississippi Community
94 College, Pearl River Community College, and Southwest Mississippi
95 Community College.

96 **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that none
97 of the General Funds appropriated herein shall be expended for the
98 purpose of paying salaries, wages, and fringe benefits of any
99 public community and junior college employee who is serving as a
100 member of the State of Mississippi Legislature.

101 **SECTION 8.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
102 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
103 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the aid of the public
104 community and junior colleges, to fund life and health insurance,
105 for all employees of the public community and junior colleges for
106 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending
107 June 30, 2023.....\$ 26,943,342.00.

108 The funds allocated in this section shall only be used to
109 participate in the State and School Employees' Life and Health
110 Insurance Plan. Any funds appropriated in this section which are
111 not expended during the fiscal year shall be carried forward for
112 the same purposes during the next succeeding fiscal year.

113 **SECTION 9.** In addition to funds appropriated in Section 8 of
114 this act, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
115 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
116 Insurance Carryover Fund No. 3295, for the purpose of fully
117 funding life and health insurance through the State and School



118 Employees' Life and Health Insurance Plan for all qualified
119 community and junior college employees, for the fiscal year
120 beginning July 1, 2022, and ending
121 June 30, 2023.....\$ 400,000.00.

122 **SECTION 10.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
123 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
124 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of
125 Workforce and Economic Development Support, including the
126 operation of the Workforce Development Centers and Advanced
127 Training Centers, providing start-up costs for new career and
128 technical programs, and providing the necessary funding to replace
129 outdated and obsolete equipment for existing career and technical
130 programs at each of the public community and junior colleges for
131 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending
132 June 30, 2023.....\$ 6,750,000.00.

133 **SECTION 11.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
134 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
135 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Mississippi
136 Community College Board for the purpose of defraying the cost of
137 Sign Language Interpreter Training at the public community and
138 junior colleges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and
139 ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 179,050.00.

140 **SECTION 12.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
141 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
142 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Mississippi



143 Community College Board for the purpose of defraying the cost of
144 the Education Technology Program at the public community and
145 junior colleges and the Mississippi Community College Board for
146 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending
147 June 30, 2023.....\$ 7,099,160.00.

148 **SECTION 13.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
149 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
150 Education Enhancement Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the
151 Mississippi Community College Board for the purpose of defraying
152 the cost of the Education Technology Program at the public
153 community and junior colleges and the Mississippi Community
154 College Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and
155 ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 2,900,840.00.

156 **SECTION 14.** A Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition
157 (MPACT) program beneficiary shall be considered a Mississippi
158 resident for the purposes of participating in this appropriation
159 regardless of the beneficiary's residence on the date of
160 enrollment, as set out in Section 37-155-5(d)(iii), Mississippi
161 Code of 1972.

162 **SECTION 15.** In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance
163 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of
164 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
165 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
166 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,



167 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted
168 performance measures provided below:

169		FY2023
170	<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>Target</u>
171	Instruction	
172	Number of Total Degrees Awarded per 100	
173	FTE Enrollment (%)	31.29
174	Number of Associate Degrees Awarded per	
175	100 FTE Enrollment (%)	17.11
176	Number of Associate of Applied Science	
177	Degrees Awarded per 100 FTE Enrollment	
178	(%)	7.00
179	Number of Certificates Awarded per 100	
180	FTE Enrollment (%)	9.50
181	Percent of First-Time Entering,	
182	Part-Time Degree- Seeking Students	
183	(Fall) who Earned 24 Credit Hours by the	
184	End of Year Two	18.50
185	Percent of First-Time Entering,	
186	Full-Time Degree-Seeking Students (Fall)	
187	who Earned 42 Credit Hours by the End	
188	of Year Two	46.82
189	Percent of Associate Degree Nursing &	
190	Practical Nursing Licensure Exam Pass	
191	Rates	42.51



192	Percent of Total Student Success, Which	
193	Includes Graduates, Transfers, &	
194	Retention (Those Still Enrolled)	80.78
195	Percent of Graduates	33.50
196	Percent of Transfers	20.78
197	Percent of Retention	8.34
198	Percent of Students Enrolled in Career/	
199	Technical & Health Science Graduates	23.50
200	Percent of In-State Job Placements of	
201	Career/ Technical & Health Science	
202	Graduates	90.10
203	Percent of Developmental English	
204	Students (Unduplicated Headcount) who	
205	Enrolled in English Composition I who	
206	Successfully Completed English	
207	Composition I During the Academic Year	51.50
208	Percent of Developmental Math Students	
209	(Unduplicated Headcount) who Enrolled in	
210	College Algebra who Successfully	
211	Completed College Algebra During the	
212	Academic Year	38.30
213	Number of High School Equivalencies Awarded	2,320
214	A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets	
215	set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the	



216 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget
217 Committee for Fiscal Year 2024.

218 **SECTION 16.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
219 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
220 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Mississippi
221 Community College Board for the purpose of defraying the cost of
222 the Associate Degree Nursing and Allied Health Programs, for the
223 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023.....
224\$ 2,556,922.00.

225 **SECTION 17.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
226 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
227 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of
228 continuing the dropout recovery initiative based on a successful
229 program administered through the adult basic education program
230 with the Mississippi Community College Board and to enroll
231 low-skill adults in career pathways that combine high school
232 equivalency, skills training and workforce credentials in an
233 intensive program that produces adults who can compete for jobs
234 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending
235 June 30, 2023.....\$ 3,000,000.00.

236 Of the funds provided in this section, one-half (1/2) shall
237 be allocated equally and the remaining one-half (1/2) shall be
238 allocated on the basis of the prior year headcount enrollment in
239 Adult Education, MIBEST or other career pathway programs.



240 The public community and junior colleges shall prepare and
241 make available to the Legislature and the Legislative Budget
242 Office a comprehensive report on the number of dropouts that have
243 enrolled in a High School Equivalency and/or career program for
244 each community and junior college during Fiscal Year 2022 on, or
245 before, August 1, 2023.

246 **SECTION 18.** It is the intention of the Legislature that none
247 of the funds provided herein shall be used to pay certain
248 utilities for state-furnished housing for any employees. Such
249 utilities shall include electricity, natural gas, butane, propane,
250 cable and phone services. Where actual cost cannot be determined,
251 the agency shall be required to provide meters to be in compliance
252 with legislative intent. Such state-furnished housing shall
253 include single-family and multifamily residences but shall not
254 include any dormitory residences. Allowances for such utilities
255 shall be prohibited.

256 **SECTION 19.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
257 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
258 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
259 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
260 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
261 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
262 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
263 made without competitive bids.



264 **SECTION 20.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
265 support of community and junior colleges shall maintain complete
266 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all
267 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be
268 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal
269 Year 2022. It is further the intention of the Legislature that
270 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2024 shall be
271 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format
272 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail
273 provided during the Fiscal Year 2023 budget request process.

274 **SECTION 21.** The following sum, Ten Million Dollars
275 (\$10,000,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby
276 appropriated out of any money in the Education Enhancement Fund
277 not otherwise appropriated for the Career and Technical Advantage
278 Program which will provide start-up costs for new career and
279 technical programs, expansion of existing career and technical
280 programs, and infrastructure for career and technical program
281 equipment, lab upgrades, and renovations to sustain the programs
282 at public community colleges. Fifteen percent (15%) of the funds
283 appropriated in this section shall be distributed evenly to each
284 community college and the remaining eighty-five percent (85%) of
285 the funds shall be distributed on the basis of prior year career
286 and technical full-time equivalency (FTE) hours generated during
287 the summer, fall, and spring semesters for each public community
288 college.



289 **SECTION 22.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
290 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with
291 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency
292 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their
293 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally
294 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for
295 actions contrary to this provision.

296 **SECTION 23.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
297 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
298 Treasury to the credit of the Capital Expense Fund, as created in
299 Section 27-103-303, Mississippi Code of 1972, and allocated in a
300 manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office, to defray the
301 expenses of the public community and junior colleges, acting
302 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
303 Management, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending
304 June 30, 2023.....\$ 10,000,000.00.

305 This appropriation is made for the purpose of providing the
306 funds necessary to authorize the expenditure of funds for
307 construction and/or repair and renovation projects for the public
308 community and junior colleges as allocated herein:

309	Coahoma Community College.....	\$ 314,264.00.
310	Copiah- Lincoln Community College.....	\$ 460,254.00.
311	East Central Community College.....	\$ 336,320.00.
312	East Mississippi Community College.....	\$ 533,725.00.
313	Hinds Community College.....	\$ 1,615,789.00.



314	Holmes Community College.....	\$	734,015.00.
315	Itawamba Community College.....	\$	760,710.00.
316	Jones Junior College.....	\$	676,327.00.
317	Meridian Community College.....	\$	422,691.00.
318	Mississippi Delta Community College.....	\$	372,587.00.
319	Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.....	\$	1,292,212.00.
320	Northeast Mississippi Community College.....	\$	584,522.00.
321	Northwest Mississippi Community College.....	\$	869,579.00.
322	Pearl River Community College.....	\$	712,434.00.
323	Southwest Mississippi Community College.....	\$	314,571.00.

324 **SECTION 24.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
325 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
326 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
327 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
328 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
329 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

330 **SECTION 25.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
331 and after July 1, 2022.

