By: Senator(s) Hopson, Polk, Turner-Ford, To: Appropriations Chism, DeLano, Norwood

SENATE BILL NO. 3037

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF SPECIAL FUNDS TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023.

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 Treasury to the credit of the State Board of Architecture and

8 Landscape Architecture Advisory Committee, for the purpose of

9 defraying the expenses incurred by said board for the fiscal year

10 beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023......

11\$ 349,898.00.

12 **SECTION 2.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of

13 this act, the following positions are authorized:

14 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

Permanent: Full Time........ 2

16 Part Time 0

Time-Limited: Full Time......

Part Time

19	With the funds herein appropriated, it shall be the agency's
20	responsibility to make certain that funds required for "Personal
21	Services" for Fiscal Year 2024 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2023
22	funds appropriated for that purpose unless programs or positions
23	are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2023 budget by the
24	Mississippi Legislature. The Legislature shall determine the
25	agency's personal services appropriation, which shall be published
26	by the State Personnel Board. Additionally, the State Personnel
27	Board shall determine and publish the projected annualized payroll
28	costs based on current employees. It shall be the responsibility
29	of the agency head to ensure that actual personnel expenditures
30	for Fiscal Year 2023 do not exceed the data provided by the
31	Legislative Budget Office. If the agency's Fiscal Year 2023
32	projected cost exceeds the annualized costs, no salary actions
33	shall be processed by the State Personnel Board with the exception
34	of new hires that are determined to be essential for the agency.
35	Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
36	the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
37	allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
38	Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
39	approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The
40	Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
41	approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
42	without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the
43	appropriated level.

44	No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be
45	used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are
46	being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this
47	act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

- None of the funds herein appropriated shall be used in violation of Internal Revenue Service's Publication 15-A relating to the reporting of income paid to contract employees, as interpreted by the Office of the State Auditor.
- Funds have been appropriated herein for the purpose of
 funding Project SEC2 minimum salaries for all employees covered
 under the Colonel Guy Groff/Neville Kenning Variable Compensation
 Plan. It shall be the agency's responsibility to ensure that the
 funds are used to increase all employees' salaries up to the
 minimum level as determined by the State Personnel Board.
 - Board of Architecture shall maintain complete accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year 2022. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2024 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2023 budget request process.

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- 68 SECTION 4. It is the intention of the Legislature that 69 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the 70 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things 71 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, 72 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind 73 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to 74 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are 75 made without competitive bids.
- SECTION 5. It is the intention of the Legislature that the
 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with
 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency
 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their
 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally
 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for
 actions contrary to this provision.
- SECTION 6. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.
- SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2022, and shall stand repealed from and after June 30, 2022.