

By: Representative Clarke

To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 223

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES
2 AND HISTORY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A GRANT TO THE SCOTT FORD
3 HOUSE, INC., TO DEVELOP TWO HISTORIC PROPERTIES ON EAST COHEA
4 STREET IN THE CITY OF JACKSON FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be
7 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State General
8 Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Department of Archives and
9 History for the purpose of providing a grant to the Scott Ford
10 House, Inc., to be expended as provided in Section 2 of this act,
11 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30,
12 2024.....\$ 500,000.00.

13 **SECTION 2.** The money provided to the Scott Ford House, Inc.,
14 by the Department of Archives and History under Section 1 of this
15 act shall be expended as follows:

16 (a) To develop the property located at 136 East Cohea
17 Street in the City of Jackson, the home of the former slave Mary
18 Scott Green, to tell her story and that of other Mississippi
19 midwives; and



20 (b) To develop the property located at 138 East Cohea
21 Street in the City of Jackson as a house museum to tell the family
22 story of the midwife Virginia Scott Ford.

23 **SECTION 3.** The money appropriated by this act shall be paid
24 by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State General Fund
25 not otherwise appropriated, upon warrants issued by the State
26 Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his
27 warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or
28 officers in the manner provided by law.

29 **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
30 and after July 1, 2023.

