

By: Representatives Mims, Faulkner, McGee

To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 272

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE CORONAVIRUS STATE  
2 FISCAL RECOVERY FUND TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE  
3 PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE COVID-19 MISSISSIPPI LOCAL PROVIDER  
4 INNOVATION GRANT PROGRAM FOR 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 Coronavirus  
8 State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the  
9 State Department of Health for the purpose of funding the COVID-19  
10 Mississippi Local Provider Innovation Grant Program established in  
11 Section 41-139-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal year  
12 beginning on July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024.....  
13 .....\$ 25,000,000.00.

14 **SECTION 2.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 1, the  
15 department is authorized to expend not more than Seven Hundred  
16 Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00) for administrative expenses  
17 in administering the grant program.



18           **SECTION 3.** (1) As used in this section and Section 4 of  
19 this act, the term "department" means the State Department of  
20 Health.

21           (2) The department shall not disburse any funds appropriated  
22 under this act to any recipient without first: (a) making an  
23 individualized determination that the expenditure sought is, in  
24 the department's independent judgment, for necessary expenditures  
25 eligible under Section 602 of the federal Social Security Act as  
26 added by Section 9901 of the federal American Rescue Plan Act of  
27 2021 (ARPA) and its implementing guidelines, guidance, rules,  
28 regulations and/or other criteria, as may be amended or  
29 supplemented from time to time, by the United States Department of  
30 the Treasury; and (b) determining that the recipient has not  
31 received and will not receive reimbursement for the expense in  
32 question from any source of funds, including insurance proceeds,  
33 other than those funds provided under Section 602 of the federal  
34 Social Security Act as added by Section 9901 of ARPA. In  
35 addition, the department shall ensure that all funds appropriated  
36 under this act are disbursed in compliance with the Single Audit  
37 Act (31 USC Sections 7501-7507) and the related provisions of the  
38 Uniform Guidance, 2 CFR Section 200.303 regarding internal  
39 controls, Sections 200.330 through 200.332 regarding sub-recipient  
40 monitoring and management, and subpart F regarding audit  
41 requirements.



42           **SECTION 4.** (1) As a condition of receiving and expending  
43 the funds granted under this act, each entity shall certify to the  
44 Department of Finance and Administration that each expenditure of  
45 the funds appropriated to the department and granted to them under  
46 this act complies with the guidelines, guidance, rules,  
47 regulations and/or other criteria, as may be amended from time to  
48 time, of the United States Department of the Treasury regarding  
49 the use of monies from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund  
50 established by ARPA.

51           (2) If the Office of Inspector General of the United States  
52 Department of the Treasury, or the Office of Inspector General of  
53 any other federal agency having oversight over the use of monies  
54 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund established by  
55 ARPA (a) determines that the department or recipient has expended  
56 or otherwise used any of the funds appropriated to the department  
57 under this act for any purpose that is not in compliance with the  
58 guidelines, guidance, rules, regulations and/or other criteria, as  
59 may be amended from time to time, of the United States Department  
60 of the Treasury regarding the use of monies from the Coronavirus  
61 State Fiscal Recovery Fund established by ARPA, and (b) the State  
62 of Mississippi is required to repay the federal government for any  
63 of those funds that the Office of the Inspector General determined  
64 were expended or otherwise used improperly by the department or  
65 recipient, then the department or recipient that expended or  
66 otherwise used those funds improperly shall be required to pay the



67 amount of those funds to the State of Mississippi for repayment to  
68 the federal government.

69         **SECTION 5.** The money appropriated by this act shall be paid  
70 by the State Treasurer out of any money in the Coronavirus State  
71 Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, upon warrants  
72 issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer  
73 shall issue his or her warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
74 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

75         **SECTION 6.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
76 and after July 1, 2023.

