

By: Representative Young

To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 591

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF  
2 EDUCATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSISTING PARENTS OF AT-RISK PUBLIC  
3 SCHOOL STUDENTS IN MEETING THE FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS OWED TO A  
4 SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE COST OF LOST, STOLEN OR DAMAGED ELECTRONIC  
5 DEVICES ASSIGNED TO A STUDENT UNDER THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S K-12  
6 EDUCATIONAL ONE-TO-ONE PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024.

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

8 **SECTION 1.** (1) The following sum, or so much of it as may  
9 be necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State  
10 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Department  
11 of Education for the purpose of assisting the parents of public  
12 school students deemed to be at-risk of failing, as determined by  
13 receipt of free or reduced lunch, in meeting the financial  
14 obligations owed to the local school district of attendance for  
15 the cost of lost, stolen or damaged electronic devices assigned to  
16 the student under the school district's K-12 educational  
17 one-to-one program for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and  
18 ending June 30, 2024.....\$3,000,000.00.

19 (2) The State Department of Education shall allocate the sum  
20 appropriated under subsection (1) of this section proportionately



21 to each public school district in the state and shall require a  
22 dollar for dollar match from the persons held liable for the cost  
23 of electronic devices assigned to a student which have been lost,  
24 stolen or damaged.

25       **SECTION 2.** The money appropriated by this act shall be paid  
26 by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State General Fund  
27 not otherwise appropriated, upon warrants issued by the State  
28 Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue the  
29 warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or  
30 officers in the manner provided by law.

31       **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
32 and after July 1, 2023.

