

By: Representative Walker

To: Workforce Development;
Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 721

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE LEGISLATURE TO APPROPRIATE MONEY EACH
2 YEAR TO THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY FOR THE
3 PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE JOBS FOR MISSISSIPPI GRADUATES, INC.,
4 PROGRAM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** The Legislature shall appropriate money each year
7 to the Mississippi Department of Employment Security for the
8 purpose of funding the Jobs for Mississippi Graduates, Inc. (JMG)
9 program, which is the premier college and career readiness entity
10 for youth across the state. The Legislature finds that the JMG
11 program ensures high school graduates are workforce ready via
12 employability skills in an effort to reduce and eventually
13 eliminate the skills gap in our state.

14 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
15 and after July 1, 2023.

