By: Representatives Read, Oliver, Bounds, To: Appropriations Busby, Cockerham, Hale, Haney, Hines, Huddleston, Jackson, Ladner, Scoggin, Turner, Watson, Young

HOUSE BILL NO. 1596 (As Sent to Governor)

1 2 3	AN ACT APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024.
4	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 appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury
7	to the credit of the State Board of Cosmetology, for the purpose
8	of defraying the expenses of the board for the fiscal year
9	beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024
10	\$ 1,013,260.00.
11	SECTION 2. Of the funds approved for expenditure under the
12	provisions of Section 1, the following positions are authorized:
13	AUTHORIZED HEADCOUNT:
14	Permanent: 13
15	Time-Limited: 0
16	With the funds herein appropriated, it shall be the agency's
17	responsibility to make certain that funds required for Personal
18	Services for Fiscal Year 2025 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2024 funds

- 19 appropriated for that purpose unless programs or positions are
- 20 added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2024 budget by the Mississippi
- 21 Legislature. The Legislature shall determine the agency's
- 22 personal services appropriation, which the State Personnel Board
- 23 shall publish. The agency's personal services appropriation may
- 24 consist of restricted funds for approved vacancies for Fiscal Year
- 25 2024 that may not be utilized for active Fiscal Year 2023
- 26 Headcount. It shall be the agency's responsibility to ensure that
- 27 the funds provided for vacancies are used to increase headcount
- 28 and not for promotions, title changes, in-range salary adjustments
- 29 or any other mechanism for increasing salaries for current
- 30 employees. It is the Legislature's intention that no employee
- 31 salary falls below the minimum salary established by the
- 32 Mississippi State Personnel Board.
- 33 Additionally, the State Personnel Board shall determine and
- 34 publish the projected annualized payroll costs based on current
- 35 employees. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to
- 36 ensure that actual personnel expenditures for Fiscal Year 2024 do
- 37 not exceed the data provided by the Legislative Budget Office. If
- 38 the agency's Fiscal Year 2024 projected cost exceeds the
- 39 annualized costs, no salary actions shall be processed by the
- 40 State Personnel Board except for new hires determined to be
- 41 essential for the agency.
- 42 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
- 43 the terms, conditions, and procedures established by law or

- 44 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
- 45 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
- 46 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The
- 47 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
- 48 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
- 49 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the
- 50 appropriated level.
- No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be
- 52 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds used for
- 53 salaries authorized under the provisions of this act and which are
- 54 withdrawn and no longer available.
- None of the funds herein appropriated shall be used in
- 56 violation of the Internal Revenue Service's Publication 15-A
- 57 relating to the reporting of income paid to contract employees, as
- 58 interpreted by the Office of the State Auditor.
- 59 **SECTION 3.** The State Board of Cosmetology shall not be
- 60 authorized to expend any funds appropriated by this act after
- October 1, 2019, unless the board has adopted and implemented each
- of the following policies, which shall be conditions upon the
- 63 receipt and expenditure of those funds:
- 64 (a) A policy that the board will not issue any licenses
- 65 for the practice of wigology and will issue licenses and
- 66 certifications only as provided under the cosmetology licensure
- 67 law; and

68	(b) A policy that allows any person who holds a wig
69	specialist license issued by the board before July 1, 2014, to
70	continue his or her practice as it existed before July 1, 2014,
71	and allows any person who holds a wig salon license issued by the
72	board before July 1, 2014, to continue operating a wig salon under
73	the statutory requirements as they existed before July 1, 2014,
74	and provides that any such person will be eligible to receive a
75	certificate of registration issued by the board.
76	SECTION 4. In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance
77	Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of
78	the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
79	in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
80	intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,
81	this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted
82	performance measures provided below:
83	FY2024
84	Performance Measures Target
85	Exam Administration
86	Number of Students Tested 1,500
87	Cost per Licensing Examination 400.00
88	School Coordination
89	Number of School Permits 41
90	Establishment Inspections
91	Percent of Establishments, by Type
92	(Salons & Schools), That are Inspected
93	Each Year 80.00
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94	Number of Average Violations per
95	Inspection by Type 3
96	Number of Documented Complaints Received 15
97	Percent of Documented Complaints
98	Resolved within Six Months 100.00
99	Percent of School Audits Resulting in
100	Disciplinary Actions 3.00
101	Licensure & Information Support
102	Percent of Completed Applications
103	Processed within Ten Business Days, by
104	Type (Practitioners, Instructors) 100.00
105	Number of Business Days from Date of
106	Completed Applications of New Salon &
107	School to Initial Inspection 14
108	Collect & Report the Percent of License
109	Renewals Issued within Seven Business
110	Days, Ten Business Days for Schools 100.00
111	A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets
112	set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the
113	agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget
114	Committee for Fiscal Year 2025.
115	SECTION 5. It is the intent of this legislation to provide
116	the funds for the board to meet when necessary, but under no
117	circumstances shall it meet more than sixty-two (62) days a year.

118	SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that the
119	State Board of Cosmetology shall maintain complete accounting and
120	personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds
121	appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the
122	same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year
123	2023. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the
124	agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2025 shall be submitted to
125	the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of
126	detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided
127	during the Fiscal Year 2024 budget request process.

SECTION 7. It is the intention of the Legislature that whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are made without competitive bids.

136 SECTION 8. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 137 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with 138 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency 139 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally 140 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for 141 actions contrary to this provision. 142

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SECTION 9. 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 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from
and after July 1, 2023.