

By: Senator(s) Hopson

To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2962
(As Passed the Senate)

1 AN ACT MAKING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF CAPITAL EXPENSE
2 FUNDS, AND SPECIAL FUNDS TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE OFFICE OF
3 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023 AND 2024; THE STATE
4 VETERANS AFFAIRS BOARD FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023 AND 2024; THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023; THE DEPARTMENT
6 OF EDUCATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023; THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
7 ADMINISTRATION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023 AND 2024; THE DEPARTMENT OF
8 WILDLIFE FISHERIES AND PARKS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023; THE STATE
9 VETERANS HOME PURCHASE BOARD FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023; THE BOARD OF
10 ANIMAL HEALTH FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023; THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF
11 COURTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023; EAST CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR
12 FISCAL YEAR 2023; HINDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023;
13 MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS FOR FISCAL
14 YEAR 2023; MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
15 SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023 AND 2024.

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

17 **SECTION 1.** In addition to all other sums herein
18 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
19 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
20 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
21 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of paying for
22 certain outside legal assistance, expert witness fees, court fees,
23 judgments and settlement agreements incurred by the Office of the



24 Attorney General for the period beginning July 1, 2022, and ending
25 June 30, 2023.....\$ 604,310.00.

26 Of the funds appropriated in this section, the following
27 amounts are provided:

28 (a) Curtis Flowers v. State of Mississippi, Circuit
29 Court of Montgomery County, Mississippi,
30 Cause No. 1:20-cv-00150.....\$ 50,000.00.

31 (b) Harvill Payne Richardson v. State of Mississippi,
32 Circuit Court of Harrison County, Mississippi, Second Judicial
33 District, Cause No. A2402-2020-87.....\$ 50,000.00.

34 (c) Eddie Lee Howard v. State of Mississippi, Circuit
35 Court of Lowndes County, Mississippi,
36 Cause No. 2021-0026-CV1C.....\$ 50,000.00.

37 (d) Carl Lee Jordan v. State of Mississippi, Cause No.
38 A2401-2020-160; Circuit Court of Harrison County,
39 Mississippi.....\$ 50,000.00.

40 (e) Delaughter v. Woodall, et al,
41 1:14-cv-00018-RHWR.....\$ 404,310.00.

42 **SECTION 2.** In addition to all other sums herein
43 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
44 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
45 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
46 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of paying for
47 certain outside legal assistance, expert witness fees, court fees,
48 judgments and settlement agreements incurred by the Office of the



49 Attorney General for the period beginning upon passage of this act
50 and ending June 30, 2024.....\$ 985,000.00.

51 Of the funds appropriated in this section, the following
52 amounts are provided:

53 (a) United States v. State of Mississippi,
54 3:16-cv-622-CWR-FKB (S.D. Miss).....\$ 100,000.00.

55 (b) IRS v. State Agencies.....\$ 235,000.00.

56 (c) White., et al v. State Board of Election
57 Commissioners.....\$ 300,000.00.

58 (d) United States Department of Justice CRIPA
59 Investigation of MDOC.....\$ 350,000.00.

60 **SECTION 3.** In addition to all other sums herein
61 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
62 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
63 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
64 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the State
65 Veterans Affairs Board for the period beginning July 1, 2022, and
66 ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 416,869.00.

67 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
68 expenses related to an ACA penalty.

69 **SECTION 4.** In addition to all other sums herein
70 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
71 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury
72 and allocated in a manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office,



73 to defray the expenses of the State Veterans Affairs Board for the
74 period beginning upon passage of this act and
75 ending June 30, 2024.....\$ 1,266,025.00.

76 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of capital
77 repairs at the State Veterans' Homes.

78 **SECTION 5.** In addition to all other sums herein
79 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
80 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
81 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
82 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Department
83 of Public Safety for the period beginning July 1, 2022, and ending
84 June 30, 2023.....\$ 932,902.00.

85 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
86 expenses related to an ACA penalty.

87 **SECTION 6.** In addition to all other sums herein
88 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
89 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
90 General Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by the
91 Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Department of
92 Education for the period beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June
93 30, 2023.....\$ 20,000,000.00.

94 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
95 the expenses of the Mississippi Adequate Education Program.

96 **SECTION 7.** In addition to all other sums herein
97 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be



98 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury,
99 and allocated in a manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office,
100 to defray the expenses of the Department of Education for the
101 period beginning July 1, 2022, and
102 ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 20,000,000.00.

103 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
104 the expenses of the Educational Facilities Revolving Loan Fund
105 Program.

106 **SECTION 8.** In addition to all other sums herein
107 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
108 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
109 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund, and allocated in a manner
110 as determined by the Treasurer's Office to defray the expenses of
111 the Department of Finance and Administration for the period
112 beginning upon passage of this act, and
113 ending June 30, 2024\$ 6,000,000.00.

114 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
115 eligible administration and reporting expenses related to the
116 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds incurred on or after March
117 3, 2021, through the final expenditure date as determined by the
118 U.S. Treasury.

119 **SECTION 9.** In addition to all other sums herein
120 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
121 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
122 Capital City Water/Sewer Projects Fund, and allocated in a manner



123 as determined by the Treasurer's Office to defray the expenses of
124 the Department of Finance and Administration for the period
125 beginning upon passage of this act, and
126 ending June 30, 2024.....\$ 30,000,000.00.

127 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of providing
128 funds to assist the City of Jackson, Mississippi, in paying costs
129 associated with construction, reconstruction, repairs, upgrades
130 and improvements to the City of Jackson's water and sewer systems
131 and related facilities as authorized in Section 29-5-251,
132 Mississippi Code 1972.

133 **SECTION 10.** In addition to all other sums herein
134 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
135 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
136 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
137 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Department
138 of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks for the period beginning July 1,
139 2022, and ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 1,376,228.00.

140 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
141 expenses related to an ACA penalty.

142 **SECTION 11.** In addition to all other sums herein
143 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
144 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury,
145 and allocated in a manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office,
146 to defray the expenses of the Veterans' Home Purchase Board for
147 the period beginning July 1, 2022, and



148 ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 25,000,000.00.

149 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
150 expenses related to providing new home loans to veterans.

151 **SECTION 12.** In addition to all other sums herein
152 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
153 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
154 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
155 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Board of
156 Animal Health for the period beginning July 1, 2022, and ending
157 June 30, 2023.....\$ 220,783.00.

158 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
159 operational expenses.

160 **SECTION 13.** In addition to all other sums herein
161 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
162 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
163 General Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by the
164 Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Administrative
165 Office of Courts at the Mississippi State Supreme Court for the
166 period beginning July 1, 2022, and
167 ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 625,000.00.

168 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
169 expenses related to the Youth Court Support Program to assist
170 counties in maintaining and operating Youth Courts.

171 **SECTION 14.** In addition to all other sums herein
172 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be



173 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
174 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
175 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of East Central
176 Community College for the period beginning July 1, 2022, and
177 ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 101,182.00.

178 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
179 the expenses of career and technical education teachers.

180 **SECTION 15.** In addition to all other sums herein
181 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
182 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
183 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
184 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of Hinds Community
185 College for the period beginning July 1, 2022, and
186 ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 169,572.00.

187 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
188 the expenses of career and technical education teachers.

189 **SECTION 16.** In addition to all other sums herein
190 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
191 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury,
192 and allocated in a manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office,
193 to defray the expenses of the Mississippi State Board of
194 Registered Professional Geologists for the period beginning July
195 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023.....\$ 17,699.00.

196 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
197 the expenses related to accumulated leave payments.



198 **SECTION 17.** In addition to all other sums herein
199 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
200 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
201 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
202 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Mississippi
203 Department of Information Technology Services for the period
204 beginning upon passage of this act and
205 ending June 30, 2024.....\$ 5,500,000.00.

206 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
207 expenses related to the implementation of a state-owned private
208 cloud environment.

209 **SECTION 18.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
210 and after its passage.

