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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3009

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING  
2 THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
3 BOARD FOR 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 hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
7 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of  
8 defraying the administrative expenses of the Mississippi Community  
9 College Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and  
10 ending June 30, 2024.....\$ 6,059,847.00.

11 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
12 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
13 Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Community College Board,  
14 for the purpose of defraying the administrative expenses of the  
15 Mississippi Community College Board for the fiscal year beginning  
16 July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024.....\$ 94,787,148.00.

17 **SECTION 3.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2 of this  
18 act, Three Hundred Fifty-six Thousand Dollars (\$356,000.00) shall



19 be derived from the Education Enhancement Fund from funds  
20 deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi  
21 Code of 1972.

22 **SECTION 4.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of  
23 this act, the following positions are authorized:

24 AUTHORIZED HEADCOUNT:

25 Permanent: 45

26 Time-Limited: 0

27 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with  
28 the terms, conditions, and procedures established by law.

29 No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be  
30 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are  
31 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this  
32 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

33 **SECTION 5.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 1 of this  
34 act, Five Hundred Forty-two Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-nine  
35 Dollars (\$542,459.00) is provided to the Mississippi Community  
36 College Board for the purpose of defraying the cost of the  
37 Greenville Higher Education Center.

38 **SECTION 6.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 1 of this  
39 act, Thirty-seven Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-six Dollars  
40 (\$37,626.00) is provided for geospatial site licenses.

41 **SECTION 7.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2 of this  
42 act, Five Hundred Seventy-four Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-six  
43 Dollars (\$574,386.00) shall be derived from the out of any money



44 in the State Treasury to the credit of the Commission on  
45 Proprietary School and College Registration, for the purpose of  
46 defraying expenses incurred in the regulation and administration  
47 of the Mississippi Proprietary School and College Registration Law  
48 and the associated expenses of the Mississippi Community College  
49 Board.

50         **SECTION 8.** Of the funds appropriated herein, up to One  
51 Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) shall be expended from the Work  
52 Force Carryover Fund as created by House Bill No. 1271, 1995  
53 Regular Session.

54         **SECTION 9.** Of the funds appropriated in Sections 1 and 2 of  
55 this act, Fifty Million Eight Hundred Thirty-one Thousand Eight  
56 Hundred Two Dollars (\$50,831,802.00) is appropriated for the  
57 Workforce Education Program and Industrial Training. No funding  
58 obligation or commitment shall be made on behalf of the state for  
59 industrial training beyond the level of funding made available in  
60 this section. All industrial training program commitments made in  
61 Fiscal Year 2024 and future fiscal years shall be based only upon  
62 funds available in this section, and any proposed commitments  
63 shall be approved by the Executive Director of the Mississippi  
64 Community College Board or the Executive Director's designee prior  
65 to such commitment being finalized. Industrial training program  
66 commitments shall be made and based only upon training services  
67 provided and not for a specific funding amount. Any expenditures  
68 of funds authorized in this section are limited to obligations



69 made July 1, 2023, or after, and shall not be expended for  
70 obligations made prior to this date.

71       **SECTION 10.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2 of this  
72 act, Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000.00) shall be derived from  
73 unemployment compensation contributions deposited into the  
74 Mississippi Workforce Enhancement Training Fund and shall be  
75 utilized exclusively by the Mississippi Community College Board  
76 for workforce training in accordance with Senate Bill No. 2027,  
77 2010 Regular Session. It is the intention of the Legislature that  
78 the Workforce Enhancement Training Fund shall have not less than  
79 Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) set aside as a carry-forward  
80 to begin the Fiscal Year 2025 Workforce Education Program.

81       **SECTION 11.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2 of this  
82 act, Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00)  
83 shall be derived from fees charged for the Workforce Online  
84 Training Program, and the Mississippi Virtual Community College  
85 and funds in the amount of Two Million Four Hundred Forty-four  
86 Thousand Nine Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$2,444,914.00) shall be  
87 transferred from the Community and Junior College Education  
88 Technology Fund for the purpose of defraying the costs of the  
89 Mississippi Virtual Community College, the Workforce Online  
90 Training Program and the administrative expenses of the  
91 Mississippi Community College Board.

92       **SECTION 12.** Of the funds appropriated in of Section 2 of  
93 this act, One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00)



94 shall be derived from fees charged for issuing duplicate  
95 transcripts and duplicate diplomas for the High School Equivalency  
96 Testing Program for the purpose of defraying the costs of  
97 administering the High School Equivalency Testing Program of the  
98 Mississippi Community College Board, in accordance with Senate  
99 Bill No. 2626, 2002 Regular Session.

100       **SECTION 13.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2 of this  
101 act, Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000.00) shall be derived from  
102 the transfer of postsecondary vocational and technical funds from  
103 the Mississippi Department of Education to the Mississippi  
104 Community College Board for the purpose of managing the day-to-day  
105 operations of postsecondary career and technical education.

106       **SECTION 14.** It is the intention of the Legislature that an  
107 amount equal to One Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$1.50) per square foot  
108 shall be transferred to the Executive Office of the Board of  
109 Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning to defray  
110 utility costs.

111       **SECTION 15.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
112 budget requests for administrative expenses of the Mississippi  
113 Community College Board for Fiscal Year 2025 shall be submitted to  
114 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of  
115 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided  
116 during the Fiscal Year 2024 budget request process.

117       **SECTION 16.** It is the intention of the Legislature that  
118 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the



119 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things  
120 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,  
121 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind  
122 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to  
123 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are  
124 made without competitive bids.

125 **SECTION 17.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
126 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with  
127 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency  
128 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their  
129 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally  
130 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for  
131 actions contrary to this provision.

132 **SECTION 18.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
133 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
134 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
135 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
136 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
137 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

138 **SECTION 19.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
139 and after July 1, 2023, and shall stand repealed from and after  
140 June 30, 2023.

