

House Amendments to Senate Bill No. 3004

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE HOUSE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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 support and
8 maintenance of the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service for
9 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending
10 June 30, 2024.....\$ 31,600,078.00.

11 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
12 necessary, is hereby authorized for expenditure out of any special
13 source funds which are collected by or otherwise become available
14 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Mississippi
15 Cooperative Extension Service for the fiscal year beginning
16 July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024.....\$ 14,302,211.00.

17 **SECTION 3.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2 of this
18 act, One Million One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars
19 (\$1,150,000.00) shall be derived from the Education Enhancement
20 Fund from funds deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and
21 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

22 **SECTION 4.** No general funds authorized to be expended herein
23 shall be used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds
24 which are being used for salaries authorized under the provisions
25 of this act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

26 **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
27 Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service provide programs in the
28 emphasis areas of Agriculture, Family and Consumer Education,
29 Natural Resources and Environment, 4-H, and Business and Community
30 Development in each county.

31 **SECTION 6.** No part of the funds appropriated or authorized
32 to be expended hereby shall be spent directly or indirectly for
33 payment of attorneys' fees for the services of any attorney who
34 was not employed by the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service
35 pursuant to the express authorization of the Board of Trustees of
36 State Institutions of Higher Learning prior to performance of such
37 legal services.

38 **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
39 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2025 shall be submitted to
40 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of
41 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided
42 during the Fiscal Year 2024 budget request process.

43 **SECTION 8.** It is the intention of the Legislature that if
44 the funds appropriated in Section 1 of this act are used directly
45 or indirectly to match or otherwise secure any federal grants,
46 research grants or donations, such special source funds not
47 classified as current restricted funds shall be added and

48 accounted for under Section 2 of this act. Further, it is the
 49 intention of the Legislature that all such aforementioned special
 50 source funds be included in all reports and requests for the 2024
 51 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature.

52 **SECTION 9.** In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance
 53 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of
 54 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
 55 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
 56 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,
 57 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted
 58 performance measures provided below:

| | FY2024 |
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| <u>Performance Measures</u> | <u>Target</u> |
| 61 Agriculture | |
| 62 Number of Published Information Items | 300 |
| 63 Number of Mass Media Items | 4,500 |
| 64 Number of Direct Educational Contacts | 270,000 |
| 65 Average Cost per Educational Contact | 13.46 |
| 66 Family & Consumer Education | |
| 67 Number of Published Information Items | 150 |
| 68 Number of Direct Educational Contacts | 205,000 |
| 69 Average Cost per Educational Contact | 9.34 |
| 70 Business & Community Dev | |
| 71 Number of Direct Educational Contacts | 88,000 |
| 72 Average Cost per Educational Contact | 20.28 |
| 73 4-H Youth Development | |

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| 74 | Number of Direct Educational Contacts | 178,000 |
| 75 | Average Cost per Educational Contact | 11.66 |
| 76 | Natural Resources & Environment | |
| 77 | Number of Published Information Items | 150 |
| 78 | Number of Mass Media Items | 6,000 |
| 79 | Number of Total Contacts (Persons Across | |
| 80 | all Delivery Methods/Events) | 370,000 |
| 81 | Average Cost per Educational Contact | 27.75 |

82 A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets
83 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the
84 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget
85 Committee for Fiscal Year 2025.

86 **SECTION 10.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
87 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
88 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
89 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
90 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
91 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
92 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
93 made without competitive bids.

94 **SECTION 11.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
95 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with
96 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency
97 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their
98 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally

99 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for
100 actions contrary to this provision.

101 **SECTION 12.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
102 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
103 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
104 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
105 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
106 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

107 **SECTION 13.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
108 and after July 1, 2023, and shall stand repealed from and after
109 June 29, 2023.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE SUPPORT AND
2 MAINTENANCE OF THE MISSISSIPPI COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE FOR
3 FISCAL YEAR 2024.

HR13\SB3004A.J

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Clerk of the House of Representatives