

By: Representative Scoggin

To: Universities and
Colleges

HOUSE BILL NO. 1155

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 37-117-1 AND 37-117-3, MISSISSIPPI
 2 CODE OF 1972, TO CHANGE THE NAME OF "MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY FOR
 3 WOMEN" TO "THE W", WITH OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS DENOTING THE NAME AS
 4 "WYNBRIDGE STATE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI"; TO REPEAL SECTIONS
 5 37-117-5, 37-117-7, 37-117-9 AND 37-117-11, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
 6 1972, WHICH PROVIDE FOR THE COUNTY APPORTIONMENT OF STUDENTS,
 7 CERTIFICATES OF SELECTION AND DORMITORY PRIVILEGES AT THE
 8 MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY FOR WOMEN; TO AMEND SECTIONS 1-1-11, 1-5-7,
 9 7-3-15, 25-65-5, 25-65-7, 37-101-1, 37-101-41, 37-101-83,
 10 37-101-91, 37-101-141, 37-101-147, 37-101-303, 37-139-3, 37-183-5
 11 AND 39-39-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, IN CONFORMITY TO PRECEDING
 12 PROVISIONS IN ORDER TO REVISE AND REFLECT THE CHANGE IN
 13 NOMENCLATURE OF "MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY FOR WOMEN" TO "WYNBRIDGE
 14 STATE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI"; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

16 **SECTION 1.** Section 37-117-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
 17 amended as follows:

18 37-117-1. The institution, formerly named Mississippi
 19 College for Women, incorporated by the act of the Legislature,
 20 approved March 12, 1884, and established in pursuance thereof,
 21 shall continue to exist as a body politic and corporate by the
 22 name of * * * "The W", with all its property and franchises,
 23 rights, powers and privileges conferred on it by law, or properly
 24 incident to such a body and necessary to accomplish the purpose of



25 its creation; said college may receive and hold all real estate
26 and personal property conveyed or given to it for such purposes.

27 * * * Official documents shall hereafter * * * refer to "The W",
28 as "Wynbridge State University of Mississippi * * *," without
29 interference with the rights, powers and prerogatives of said
30 college which continue in all respects. Whenever the name
31 "Mississippi College for Women" or "Mississippi University for
32 Women" appears the same is construed to denote * * * "The W".

33 **SECTION 2.** Section 37-117-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
34 amended as follows:

35 37-117-3. The purpose and aim of * * * "The W" is to provide
36 a high-quality undergraduate and graduate education for women and
37 men in a variety of liberal arts and professional programs, while
38 maintaining its historical commitment to academic and leadership
39 development for women.

40 **SECTION 3.** Sections 37-117-5, 37-117-7, 37-117-9 and
41 37-117-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, which provide for the county
42 apportionment of students, certificates of selection and dormitory
43 privileges at the Mississippi University for Women, are hereby
44 repealed.

45 **SECTION 4.** Section 1-1-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
46 amended as follows:

47 1-1-11. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this
48 section, the Joint Committee on Compilation, Revision and
49 Publication of Legislation shall distribute or provide for the



50 distribution of the sets of the compilation of the Mississippi
51 Code of 1972 purchased by the state as follows:

52 Fifty-seven (57) sets to the Mississippi House of
53 Representatives and forty (40) sets to the Mississippi Senate for
54 the use of the Legislative Reference Bureau, Legislative Services
55 Offices, staffs and committees thereof.

56 Ten (10) sets to the Governor's Office; nine (9) sets to the
57 Secretary of State; and twenty (20) sets to the Auditor's Office.

58 One (1) set to each of the following: the Lieutenant
59 Governor; each member of the Legislature; the Treasurer; each
60 district attorney; each county attorney; each judge of the Court
61 of Appeals and each judge of the Supreme, circuit, chancery,
62 county, justice and municipal courts; each Mississippi Senator and
63 Mississippi Representative in Congress; State Superintendent of
64 Education; Director of the Department of Finance and
65 Administration; the Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce; each
66 Mississippi Transportation Commissioner; the Insurance
67 Commissioner; the Clerk of the Supreme Court; the State Board of
68 Health; each circuit clerk; each chancery clerk in the state for
69 the use of the chancery clerk and the board of supervisors; each
70 sheriff in the state for the use of his office and the county
71 officers; and each county for the county library (and an
72 additional set shall be given to each circuit clerk, chancery
73 clerk, sheriff and county library in counties having two (2)
74 judicial districts).



75 Six (6) sets to the Performance Evaluation and Expenditure
76 Review (PEER) Committee; three (3) sets to the Director of the
77 Legislative Budget Office; six (6) sets to the Department of
78 Corrections; two (2) sets to the Department of Archives and
79 History; two (2) sets to the State Soil and Water Conservation
80 Commission; sixty-eight (68) sets to the Attorney General's
81 office; six (6) sets to the Public Service Commission; four (4)
82 sets to the Public Utilities Staff; thirty-five (35) sets to the
83 Department of Revenue; one (1) set to the Board of Tax Appeals;
84 two (2) sets to the State Personnel Board; six (6) sets to the
85 State Law Library; one (1) set to the Library of Congress; ten
86 (10) sets to the University of Mississippi Law School; one (1) set
87 each to the Mississippi School for the Deaf and the Mississippi
88 School for the Blind; one (1) set each to the University of
89 Mississippi, Mississippi State University, Wynbridge State
90 University of Mississippi * * *, University of Southern
91 Mississippi, Delta State University, Alcorn State University,
92 Jackson State University, Mississippi Valley State University, and
93 the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning;
94 and one (1) set to the Supreme Court judges' conference room. In
95 furtherance of the State Library's reciprocal program of code
96 exchange with libraries of the several states, the joint committee
97 shall, at the direction and only upon the written request of the
98 State Librarian, distribute or provide for the distribution of
99 sets of the code to such libraries.



100 One (1) set to each state junior or community college; three
101 (3) sets to the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks; two
102 (2) sets to the Department of Environmental Quality; two (2) sets
103 to the Department of Marine Resources; two (2) sets to the
104 Mississippi Ethics Commission; six (6) sets to the Mississippi
105 Workers' Compensation Commission; four (4) sets to the State
106 Department of Rehabilitation Services; three (3) sets to the
107 Department of Child Protection Services; and four (4) sets to the
108 Department of Human Services. One (1) set to each of the
109 following: State Textbook Procurement Commission; University
110 Medical Center; State Library Commission; Department of
111 Agriculture and Commerce; Forestry Commission; and seventeen (17)
112 sets to the Department of Public Safety. Also, one (1) set to
113 each of the following: Adjutant General, Mississippi Development
114 Authority, Department of Banking and Consumer Finance, Bureau of
115 Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, the State
116 Educational Finance Commission, the Mississippi Board of
117 Vocational and Technical Education, Division of Medicaid, State
118 Board of Mental Health, and Department of Youth Services.

119 The joint committee is authorized to distribute or provide
120 for the distribution of additional sets of the Mississippi Code,
121 not to exceed three (3) sets, to the office of each district
122 attorney for the use of his assistants.

123 The joint committee shall provide to the Mississippi House of
124 Representatives and the Mississippi Senate the annual supplements



125 to the Mississippi Code of 1972 for each set of the code
126 maintained by the House and Senate.

127 An elected or appointed officeholder in the State of
128 Mississippi, except for a member of the Legislature, shall deliver
129 to his successor in office, or to the joint committee if there is
130 no successor, the set of the Mississippi Code of 1972 provided the
131 officeholder under this section.

132 Before the joint committee delivers or provides for delivery
133 of a copy of the Mississippi Code of 1972 to an individual
134 officeholder, the joint committee shall prepare and submit a
135 written agreement to the officeholder. The agreement shall, among
136 other provisions, state that the code is the property of the State
137 of Mississippi, that it shall be transferred to the officeholder's
138 successor in office, that the officeholder has an obligation to
139 make such transfer and that the officeholder shall be responsible
140 for the failure to deliver the code and for any damage or
141 destruction to the code, normal wear and tear excepted. The joint
142 committee shall execute the agreement and forward it to the
143 officeholder for execution. The joint committee shall not deliver
144 or provide for delivery of the code to the officeholder until the
145 executed agreement is received by the committee. The joint
146 committee may include in the agreement such other provisions as it
147 may deem reasonable and necessary. In addition to damages or any
148 other remedy for not transferring a set of the code to his
149 successor, an officeholder who does not transfer his set of the



150 code shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction,
151 pay a fine of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). Upon request of
152 the joint committee, the Attorney General shall assist the joint
153 committee in taking such actions as necessary to require an
154 officeholder to transfer the set of code provided under this
155 section to his successor, or to the joint committee if there is no
156 successor, and to recover reimbursement or damages from any
157 officeholder for the loss of or damage or destruction to any
158 volumes of the set of the code provided under this section, other
159 than normal wear and tear.

160 Replacement of missing, damaged or destroyed sets or volumes
161 of the code provided by this chapter may be obtained from the code
162 publisher through the joint committee at the established state
163 cost, the cost to be borne by the recipient.

164 No more than one (1) set of the Mississippi Code of 1972
165 shall be furnished to any one (1) individual, regardless of the
166 office or offices he may hold.

167 (2) The sets of actual bound volumes of the Mississippi Code
168 of 1972 referenced in subsection (1) shall be provided to each
169 elected state official, elected state district official and member
170 of the Legislature upon written request by the official or member
171 of the Legislature to the Joint Committee on Compilation, Revision
172 and Publication of Legislation.

173 **SECTION 5.** Section 1-5-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
174 amended as follows:



175 1-5-7. (1) The Office of the Secretary of State shall
176 distribute and transmit, free of cost, the general laws and
177 journals of each session of the Legislature, as follows: One (1)
178 volume of each to the following: Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
179 Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Auditor, State
180 Treasurer, Clerk of the Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals;
181 Mississippi State University, Wynbridge State University of
182 Mississippi * * *, Alcorn State University, University of Southern
183 Mississippi, Delta State University, Jackson State University,
184 Mississippi Valley State University, University of Mississippi and
185 University of Mississippi School of Law; the sheriff of each
186 county for the county law library; each member of the Legislature;
187 the Secretary of the Senate; the Clerk of the House; each attorney
188 employed in the Legislative Services Offices of the House of
189 Representatives and the Senate; each legislative committee meeting
190 room in the New Capitol; the Legislative Reference Bureau; the
191 Legislative Budget Office; the Legislative PEER Committee; the
192 Department of Archives and History; and the Library of Congress at
193 Washington, D.C.

194 The copies of the general laws and journals to be provided to
195 each sheriff, member of the Legislature and the attorneys employed
196 in the Legislative Services Offices of the House and Senate under
197 this subsection (1) shall not be provided unless specifically
198 requested by such sheriff, legislator or attorney in writing, and
199 the copies to be provided for legislative committee meeting rooms



200 in the New Capitol shall not be provided unless specifically
201 requested in writing by the Clerk of the House or the Secretary of
202 the Senate for the committee rooms of their respective house. Any
203 other recipient of the general laws and journals listed in this
204 subsection (1) may waive the receipt of the general laws, journals
205 or both by written request to the Office of the Secretary of
206 State.

207 (2) The Office of the Secretary of State shall provide, free
208 of cost, one (1) volume of the local and private laws to each
209 attorney employed in the Legislative Services Offices of the House
210 of Representatives and the Senate; each legislative committee
211 meeting room in the New Capitol; the Legislative Reference Bureau;
212 and the Legislative PEER Committee.

213 The copies of the local and private laws to be provided to
214 the attorneys employed in the Legislative Services Offices of the
215 House and Senate under this subsection (2) shall not be provided
216 unless specifically requested by such attorney in writing, and the
217 copies to be provided for legislative committee meeting rooms in
218 the New Capitol shall not be provided unless specifically
219 requested in writing by the Clerk of the House or the Secretary of
220 the Senate for the committee rooms of their respective house.

221 **SECTION 6.** Section 7-3-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
222 amended as follows:

223 7-3-15. The Secretary of State shall transmit, free of cost,
224 one (1) copy of each volume of "Southern Reporter-Mississippi



225 Cases" to the sheriff of each county of the state, for the county
226 library, if the sheriff specifically requests copies of the
227 volumes of "Southern Reporter-Mississippi Cases" in writing; one
228 (1) copy of each volume thereof to each of the following
229 educational institutions: Mississippi State University, Alcorn
230 State University, Wynbridge State University of Mississippi * * *,
231 Mississippi College School of Law, Delta State University, Jackson
232 State University, Mississippi Valley State University, and the
233 University of Southern Mississippi; ten (10) copies of each volume
234 thereof to the University of Mississippi; and one (1) copy of each
235 volume to the Library of Congress at Washington, D.C.

236 The above provisions of this section are made in recognition
237 of benefits received through receipt at depository libraries and
238 elsewhere in the State of Mississippi of public documents of the
239 United States under the provisions of federal and state laws.

240 **SECTION 7.** Section 25-65-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
241 amended as follows:

242 25-65-5. The following words and phrases shall have the
243 meanings ascribed herein, unless the context clearly indicates
244 otherwise:

245 (a) "University" means and includes Alcorn State
246 University, Delta State University, Jackson State University,
247 Mississippi State University, Mississippi State University
248 Agriculture and Forestry Experiment Station, Mississippi State
249 University Cooperative Extension Service, Mississippi State



250 University Forest and Wildlife Research Center, Mississippi State
251 University State Chemical Laboratory, Wynbridge State University
252 of Mississippi * * *, Mississippi Valley State University, the
253 University of Mississippi, University of Mississippi Medical
254 Center and the University of Southern Mississippi.

255 (b) "Community/Junior college" means and includes
256 Coahoma Community College, Copiah-Lincoln Community College, East
257 Central Community College, East Mississippi Community College,
258 Hinds Community College, Holmes Community College, Itawamba
259 Community College, Jones County Junior College, Meridian Community
260 College, Mississippi Delta Community College, Mississippi Gulf
261 Coast Community College, Northeast Mississippi Community College,
262 Northwest Mississippi Community College, Pearl River Community
263 College and Southwest Mississippi Community College.

264 (c) "State agency" means and includes the Department of
265 Finance and Administration, the State Tax Commission, the
266 Department of Education, the State Department of Health, the
267 Department of Mental Health, the Department of Agriculture and
268 Commerce, the Mississippi Development Authority, the Department of
269 Environmental Quality, the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and
270 Parks, the Department of Corrections, the Division of Medicaid,
271 the Department of Rehabilitation Services, the Department of
272 Public Safety, the Mississippi Employment Security Commission, the
273 Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services, the
274 Public Employees Retirement System, the Mississippi Department of



275 Transportation, the Mississippi Gaming Commission and the
276 Mississippi Department of Human Services.

277 (d) "Agency head" means an elected official who heads
278 an agency, an executive director or a governing board or
279 commission responsible for heading an agency or a president or
280 chancellor of a university or a president of a community/junior
281 college.

282 (e) "Agency internal audit director" means the person
283 appointed by the agency head to direct the internal audit function
284 for the state agency. Where consistent with responsibilities
285 described in this chapter, the term agency internal audit director
286 may also be referred to as inspector general, audit director,
287 chief auditor or similar internal audit administrator
288 descriptions.

289 (f) "Audit committee" means a standing committee
290 external to organization management that collectively has the
291 expertise to provide effective guidance regarding the acquisition
292 and provision of internal audit services and to provide guidance
293 in the provision of those services.

294 **SECTION 8.** Section 25-65-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
295 amended as follows:

296 25-65-7. The provisions of this chapter shall only apply (a)
297 to the following universities: (i) Alcorn State University, (ii)
298 Delta State University, (iii) Jackson State University, (iv)
299 Mississippi State University, (v) Mississippi State University



300 Agriculture and Forestry Experiment Station, (vi) Mississippi
301 State University Cooperative Extension Service, (vii) Mississippi
302 State University Forest and Wildlife Research Center, (viii)
303 Mississippi State University State Chemical Laboratory, (ix)
304 Wynbridge State University of Mississippi * * *, (x) Mississippi
305 Valley State University, (xi) The University of Mississippi, (xii)
306 University of Mississippi Medical Center and * * * (xiii) The
307 University of Southern Mississippi; (b) to the following
308 community/junior colleges: (i) Coahoma Community College, (ii)
309 Copiah-Lincoln Community College, (iii) East Central Community
310 College, (iv) East Mississippi Community College, (v) Hinds
311 Community College, (vi) Holmes Community College, (vii) Itawamba
312 Community College, (viii) Jones County Junior College, (ix)
313 Meridian Community College, (x) Mississippi Delta Community
314 College, (xi) Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, (xii)
315 Northeast Mississippi Community College, (xiii) Northwest
316 Mississippi Community College, (xiv) Pearl River Community College
317 and (xv) Southwest Mississippi Community College; and (c) to the
318 following agencies: (i) the Department of Finance and
319 Administration, (ii) the State Tax Commission, (iii) the
320 Department of Education, (iv) the State Department of Health, (v)
321 the Department of Mental Health, (vi) the Department of
322 Agriculture and Commerce, (vii) the Mississippi Development
323 Authority, (viii) the Department of Environmental Quality, (ix)
324 the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, (x) the



325 Department of Corrections, (xi) the Division of Medicaid, (xii)
326 the Department of Rehabilitation Services, (xiii) the Department
327 of Public Safety, (xiv) the Mississippi Employment Security
328 Commission, (xv) the Mississippi Department of Information
329 Technology Services, (xvi) the Public Employees Retirement System,
330 (xvii) the Mississippi Department of Transportation, (xviii) the
331 Mississippi Gaming Commission and (xix) the Mississippi Department
332 of Human Services.

333 **SECTION 9.** Section 37-101-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
334 amended as follows:

335 37-101-1. The following state institutions of higher
336 learning shall be under the management and control of a board of
337 trustees to be known as the Board of Trustees of State
338 Institutions of Higher Learning, namely:

339 (a) The University of Mississippi;

340 (b) Mississippi State University of Agriculture and
341 Applied Science;

342 (c) Wynbridge State University of Mississippi * * *;

343 (d) The University of Southern Mississippi;

344 (e) Delta State University;

345 (f) Alcorn State University;

346 (g) Jackson State University;

347 (h) Mississippi Valley State University;

348 (i) And any other of like kind which may be hereafter
349 established by the state.



350 **SECTION 10.** Section 37-101-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
351 amended as follows:

352 37-101-41. (1) (a) Except as otherwise provided in
353 paragraph (b) of this section, and subject to the provisions of
354 Section 37-101-42, the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of
355 Higher Learning (the "board") is authorized and empowered to lease
356 to private individuals or corporations for a term not exceeding
357 thirty-five (35) years any land or land with existing auxiliary
358 facilities at any of the following state-supported institutions:
359 Mississippi State University of Agriculture and Applied Science,
360 Jackson State University, Mississippi Valley State University,
361 University of Mississippi, Alcorn State University, University of
362 Southern Mississippi, Wynbridge State University of
363 Mississippi * * * and Delta State University, for the purpose of
364 erecting or renovating, furnishing, maintaining and equipping
365 auxiliary facilities thereon for active faculty, staff and/or
366 students. The auxiliary facilities shall be constructed or
367 renovated, and may be furnished, maintained and equipped thereon
368 by private financing, and may be leased back to the board for use
369 by the concerned state-supported institution of higher learning.
370 The lease shall contain a provision permitting the board to
371 purchase the building located thereon, including any furnishings
372 and equipment therein, for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) after
373 payment by the board of all sums of money due under said lease.



374 (b) The Board of Trustees of State Institutions of
375 Higher Learning may grant authority to universities to lease to
376 private individuals or corporations for a period not exceeding
377 thirty-five (35) years, any land or land with existing auxiliary
378 facilities at the university, for the purpose of erecting or
379 renovating, furnishing, maintaining and equipping auxiliary
380 facilities thereon for active faculty, staff and/or students. The
381 auxiliary facilities shall be constructed or renovated, and may be
382 furnished, maintained and equipped thereon by private financing,
383 and may be leased back to the board for use by the university.
384 The lease shall contain a provision permitting the board to
385 purchase the auxiliary facilities located thereon, including any
386 furnishings and equipment therein, for the sum of One Dollar
387 (\$1.00) after payment by the board of all sums of money due under
388 the lease.

389 (2) Upon there being an agreement reached between the Board
390 of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning and a
391 university upon whose land the auxiliary facility will be
392 constructed or renovated and a private individual(s) or
393 corporation(s) to enter into such lease agreement as described in
394 subsection (1), it shall be stipulated in the agreement that all
395 newly constructed or renovated auxiliary facilities shall be in
396 compliance with the minimum building code standards employed by
397 the state as required under Section 31-11-33.



398 (3) The board, in conjunction with the university, shall
399 have sole discretion to decide the placement of new auxiliary
400 facilities upon the university's campus. However, the scope of
401 any such construction or renovation by private entities shall be
402 limited to two (2) leases entered into pursuant to this Section
403 37-101-41 per year for each university, and shall not exceed in
404 the aggregate twenty-five percent (25%) of the university's total
405 main campus or satellite campus property under the original lease
406 period. In addition, the scope of any such renovation by private
407 entities shall be limited to one (1) project per fiscal year for
408 each university.

409 (4) No contractual lease agreement for the construction or
410 renovation, furnishing, maintaining and equipping of privately
411 financed auxiliary facilities shall be entered into by a
412 university without prior approval of the Board of Trustees of
413 State Institutions of Higher Learning. An auxiliary facility is a
414 facility that is described by the current Postsecondary Education
415 Facilities Inventory and Classification Manual (FICM) as within
416 categories 500/600/700/800/900.

417 Before entering into contractual lease agreements for the
418 construction or renovation, furnishing, maintaining and equipping
419 of privately financed auxiliary facilities, the Board of Trustees
420 of State Institutions of Higher Learning shall establish rules and
421 procedures to ensure adequate public advertisement of any
422 requirement for the construction or renovation, furnishing,



423 maintaining and equipping of privately financed auxiliary
424 facilities at a university in order to promote full and open
425 competition and which set forth the requirements for evaluation of
426 offers and award of the contract lease agreement to the private
427 entity.

428 (5) In addition to the above stated authority, the
429 university, with the permission of the board, is authorized to
430 enter into such marketing, support, management, operating,
431 cooperating or other similar agreements as the university and
432 board may deem advisable or prudent in connection with the ongoing
433 operations of such auxiliary facilities for a period not to exceed
434 the term of the lease relating to such auxiliary facilities.

435 **SECTION 11.** Section 37-101-83, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
436 amended as follows:

437 37-101-83. (a) (i) A special fund, to be designated as the
438 "2022 IHL Capital Improvements Fund," is created within the State
439 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as
440 a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General
441 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at
442 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General
443 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in
444 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

445 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed,
446 in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration,
447 with the approval of the Board of Trustees of State Institutions



448 of Higher Learning on those projects related to the universities
 449 under its management and control to pay the costs of capital
 450 improvements, renovation and/or repair of existing facilities,
 451 furnishings and/or equipping facilities for public facilities as
 452 hereinafter described:

		AMOUNT
NAME	PROJECT	ALLOCATED
455	Alcorn State University.....\$	5,040,000.00
456	Preplanning for repair,	
457	renovation, and	
458	expansion of and upgrades	
459	and improvements to the	
460	David L. Whitney Complex	
461	and Wellness Center; campus	
462	safety and security project,	
463	including open space	
464	development, sprinkler	
465	systems for dormitories,	
466	security camera	
467	installation, card access	
468	systems, street lighting,	
469	and emergency kiosks; and	
470	repair, renovation and	
471	upgrading of campus	
472	infrastructure.....\$	1,040,000.00



473 Repair and renovation of
 474 and upgrades and
 475 improvements to the Math
 476 and Science Building.....\$ 4,000,000.00
 477 Delta State University.....\$ 5,640,000.00
 478 Repair, renovation and
 479 replacement of and
 480 upgrades and
 481 improvements to HVAC systems
 482 and related equipment and
 483 infrastructure.....\$ 3,937,500.00
 484 Repair and renovation
 485 for ADA compliance
 486 for the Bologna Performing
 487 Arts Center.....\$ 1,702,500.00
 488 Jackson State University.....\$ 12,000,000.00
 489 Construction, furnishing
 490 and equipping of a new
 491 dining facility and
 492 related facilities.....\$ 12,000,000.00
 493 Mississippi State University.....\$ 14,680,000.00
 494 Repair, renovation, construction,
 495 acquisition of property, furnishing
 496 and equipping of related
 497 facilities to house the



498 College of Architecture,
 499 Art and Design.....\$ 14,680,000.00
 500 Mississippi State University/Division of
 501 Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine....\$ 9,610,000.00
 502 Repair and renovation
 503 of and upgrades and
 504 improvements to
 505 Dorman Hall and
 506 related facilities.....\$ 9,610,000.00
 507 Wynbridge State University of Mississippi * * *...\$ 2,500,000.00
 508 Repair, renovation,
 509 and upgrading of
 510 campus buildings
 511 and facilities.....\$ 2,500,000.00
 512 Mississippi Valley State University.....\$ 10,200,000.00
 513 Repair, renovation,
 514 expansion of
 515 and improvements to
 516 existing buildings and facilities on
 517 the main campus.....\$ 10,200,000.00
 518 University of Mississippi.....\$ 5,500,000.00
 519 Construction, furnishing
 520 and equipping of a new
 521 mechanical and power
 522 plant building and related



523	facilities.....\$	4,500,000.00	
524	Preplanning for		
525	construction,		
526	furnishing and		
527	equipping of a		
528	new building and		
529	related facilities		
530	to house the School		
531	of Accountancy.....\$	1,000,000.00	
532	University of Mississippi Medical Center.....\$	8,000,000.00	
533	Repair, renovation,		
534	and upgrading of		
535	campus buildings		
536	and facilities.....\$	8,000,000.00	
537	University of Southern Mississippi.....\$	11,000,000.00	
538	Construction, furnishing		
539	and equipping of a new		
540	science research facility...\$	11,000,000.00	
541	IHL Education and Research Center.....\$	1,400,000.00	
542	Repair and replacement of		
543	chillers and related		
544	equipment for the campus		
545	air conditioning and		
546	heating system.....\$	1,400,000.00	
547	TOTAL.....\$	85,570,000.00	



548 (b) (i) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
549 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in paragraph (a)
550 of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used
551 within four (4) years after the date funds are transferred under
552 Section 1 of Chapter 510, Laws of 2022, from the Capital Expense
553 Fund created in Section 27-103-303, Mississippi Code of 1972, into
554 the special fund, then the institution of higher learning for
555 which any unused monies are allocated under paragraph (a) of this
556 section shall provide an accounting of such unused monies to the
557 Department of Finance and Administration.

558 (ii) Monies in the special fund may be used to
559 reimburse reasonable actual and necessary costs incurred by the
560 Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the
561 Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, in
562 administering or providing assistance directly related to a
563 project described in paragraph (a) of this section. An accounting
564 of actual costs incurred for which reimbursement is sought shall
565 be maintained for each project by the Department of Finance and
566 Administration, Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
567 Management. Reimbursement of reasonable actual and necessary
568 costs for a project shall not exceed two percent (2%) of the
569 monies in the special fund used for such project. Monies
570 authorized for a particular project may not be used to reimburse
571 administrative costs for unrelated projects.



572 (c) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting
573 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
574 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and
575 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the
576 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The
577 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be
578 under the direction of the Department of Finance and
579 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State
580 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants
581 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director
582 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

583 (d) Any amounts allocated to an institution of higher
584 learning that are in excess of that needed to complete the
585 projects at such institution of higher learning that are described
586 in paragraph (a) of this section may be used for general repairs
587 and renovations at the institution of higher learning.

588 **SECTION 12.** Section 37-101-91, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
589 amended as follows:

590 37-101-91. The Board of Trustees of State Institutions of
591 Higher Learning is hereby authorized and empowered to contract
592 with and borrow money from the United States of America, or any
593 department, instrumentality, or agency thereof, as may be
594 designated or created to make loans and grants, or from private
595 lenders, at an overall rate of interest to maturity not to exceed
596 that allowed in Section 75-17-103, for the purpose of acquiring



597 land for, and erecting, repairing, remodeling, maintaining, adding
598 to, extending, improving, equipping, or acquiring dormitories,
599 dwellings, apartments, athletic stadium, gymnasiums, student union
600 buildings, student service centers, athletic fields, swimming
601 pools, parking facilities, cafeterias, dining halls, and/or other
602 revenue producing facilities, to be located at or near the
603 campuses of the University of Mississippi, Mississippi State
604 University of Agriculture and Applied Science, Wynbridge State
605 University of Mississippi * * *, Alcorn State University,
606 University of Southern Mississippi, Delta State University,
607 Jackson State University, Mississippi Valley State University, and
608 Gulf Coast Research Laboratory.

609 In agreements or commitments by or between the aforesaid
610 board of trustees and private lenders and/or the U.S. Department
611 of Housing and Urban Development to make loans or grants for the
612 construction of dormitories in which bonds are to be issued under
613 the provisions of Sections 37-101-91 through 37-101-103, and in
614 which part or all of the principal and/or interest on said bonds
615 is to be paid or guaranteed by the U.S. Department of Housing and
616 Urban Development, said bonds shall bear a net interest rate not
617 in excess of that allowed in Section 75-17-103.

618 Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section,
619 bonds referred to hereinabove may be issued pursuant to the
620 supplemental powers and authorizations conferred by the provisions



621 of the Registered Bond Act, being Sections 31-21-1 through
622 31-21-7.

623 **SECTION 13.** Section 37-101-141, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
624 amended as follows:

625 37-101-141. The Board of Trustees of State Institutions of
626 Higher Learning is hereby authorized and empowered, in its
627 discretion, to sell and dispose of the timber, trees, dead wood
628 and stumps standing, growing and being upon the lands granted to
629 the State of Mississippi for the use and benefit of the University
630 of Mississippi by an act of Congress of the United States approved
631 June 20, 1894, and upon the lands granted to the State of
632 Mississippi for the use and benefit of Wynbridge State University
633 of Mississippi * * * by an act of Congress of the United States
634 approved March 2, 1895, and upon the lands granted to the State of
635 Mississippi for the use and benefit of Mississippi State
636 University of Agriculture and Applied Science, and Alcorn State
637 University by an act of Congress of the United States approved
638 February 20, 1895, whenever the sale or disposition of such timber
639 shall be to the best advantage of the institutions named herein.
640 Such timber shall be sold and disposed of under the direction and
641 specifications of the State Forestry Commission in accordance with
642 sound and efficient principles of forestry management and
643 conservation.

644 **SECTION 14.** Section 37-101-147, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
645 amended as follows:



646 37-101-147. All leases and conveyances of timber, trees,
647 dead wood and stumps, and all oil, gas and mineral leases, or
648 leases for other purposes, provided for in Sections 37-101-141 and
649 37-101-143, shall be executed by the President of the Board of
650 Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning, and attested by
651 the Commissioner of Higher Education, respectively, for and on
652 behalf of the University of Mississippi, Wynbridge State
653 University of Mississippi * * *, Mississippi State University of
654 Agriculture and Applied Science and Alcorn State University, as
655 the case may be. The corporate seal of the proper institution
656 shall be affixed to all conveyances and leases of the lands held
657 for the use and benefit of such institutions. In all such cases
658 such conveyances and leases shall be executed only upon the order
659 or resolution of the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of
660 Higher Learning in the manner and method hereinbefore set forth.

661 **SECTION 15.** Section 37-101-303, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
662 amended as follows:

663 37-101-303. Before the issuance of any of the bonds herein
664 authorized, the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher
665 Learning shall forward to the State Bond Commission its
666 recommendation declaring the necessity for the issuance of general
667 obligation bonds as authorized by Sections 37-101-301 through
668 37-101-331 for the purpose of erecting, repairing, constructing,
669 remodeling, adding to or improving capital facilities for
670 institutions of higher learning. The State Bond Commission shall



671 have the power and is hereby authorized, upon receipt of the
 672 aforesaid recommendations, at one (1) time or from time to time,
 673 to declare the necessity for issuance of negotiable general
 674 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi in an aggregate
 675 amount not to exceed Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00) to
 676 provide funds for the purposes hereinabove set forth and to issue
 677 and sell bonds in the amount specified.

678 Out of the total amount of bonds authorized to be issued,
 679 funds shall be allocated among the institutions of higher learning
 680 as follows:

681	Alcorn State University.....	\$ 4,416,000.00
682	Delta State University.....	1,882,000.00
683	Jackson State University.....	2,396,000.00
684	Mississippi State University.....	9,810,000.00
685	<u>Wynbridge State University of Mississippi</u> * * *	
686	.....	1,909,000.00
687	Mississippi Valley State University.....	1,775,000.00
688	University of Mississippi.....	6,086,000.00
689	University of Southern Mississippi.....	5,971,000.00
690	University of Southern Mississippi -	
691	Gulf Park Campus.....	309,000.00
692	University Medical Center.....	3,465,000.00
693	Gulf Coast Research Laboratory.....	260,000.00
694	Education and Research Center.....	475,000.00
695	Division of Agriculture, Forestry and	



696 Veterinary Medicine..... 1,246,000.00

697 It is expressly provided, however, that in the event any
698 emergencies or unforeseen contingencies arise, the amount set
699 forth above for any institution may be increased by the Board of
700 Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning, provided that
701 the amount of such increase is achieved by a pro rata reduction in
702 the amounts allocated to the other institutions.

703 **SECTION 16.** Section 37-139-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
704 amended as follows:

705 37-139-3. (1) There is hereby created the Mississippi
706 School for Mathematics and Science which shall be a residential
707 school for eleventh and twelfth grade high school students located
708 on the campus of the Wynbridge State University of
709 Mississippi * * *.

710 (2) The school shall be governed by the State Board of
711 Education.

712 (3) The board shall develop a plan relating to the opening,
713 the operation and the funding of the school. Such plan shall be
714 presented to the Legislature during the 1988 Regular Session and
715 shall include an equitable and reasonable plan for student
716 recruitment without regard to race, creed or color.

717 (4) The purpose of the school shall be to educate the gifted
718 and talented students of the state, and its curriculum and
719 admissions policies shall reflect such purpose.



720 (5) The board shall prepare the annual budget for the
721 school.

722 **SECTION 17.** Section 37-183-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
723 amended as follows:

724 37-183-5. (1) There is established the Postsecondary
725 Education COVID-19 Mitigation Relief Program for public and
726 private postsecondary educational institutions to be administered
727 by the department, which shall set the dates and deadlines for
728 applying for an award under this section. The program is
729 established for the purpose of providing reimbursement to eligible
730 postsecondary educational institutions for unreimbursed expenses
731 directly related to COVID-19. The department shall establish such
732 rules and regulations as it deems necessary and proper to carry
733 out the purposes and intent of this section.

734 (2) The department shall approve applications for
735 reimbursement from each eligible postsecondary educational
736 institution. For each eligible postsecondary educational
737 institution, the department shall only award funds equivalent to
738 the lesser of the total of itemized eligible COVID-19-related
739 expenses or the maximum allowable for each institution based on
740 the total number of students enrolled during the 2019-2020
741 scholastic year, who were actively enrolled as a part-time or
742 full-time student on March 1, 2020, as determined by the student
743 allocation formulas specified in subsections (3) and (4) of this
744 section. To qualify for reimbursement, each postsecondary



745 educational institution's application for reimbursement must, in
746 addition to specifying the amount of reimbursement requested, also
747 include an itemized expense report that evidences the eligible
748 expenses incurred by the eligible postsecondary educational
749 institution.

750 (3) (a) Each four-year postsecondary educational
751 institution shall be eligible to be reimbursed at an amount
752 equivalent to Five Hundred Sixty-eight Dollars (\$568.00) per
753 student actively enrolled as a part-time or full-time student on
754 March 1, 2020. Each four-year postsecondary educational
755 institution's reimbursement shall be determined upon the
756 submission of the itemized expense report, required under
757 subsection (2) of this section. Failure of a four-year
758 postsecondary educational institution to submit the itemized
759 expense report will subject the institution to forfeiture of any
760 allotted funds designated for the specific institution's eligible
761 maximum reimbursement amount.

762 (b) Upon a showing of itemized eligible
763 COVID-19-related expenses, the eligible maximum reimbursement
764 amount allowed for each four-year postsecondary educational
765 institution, as determined by the student allocation formula
766 prescribed in paragraph (a) of this subsection, shall be as
767 follows:

768 (i) Alcorn State University\$ 1,854,520.00
769 (ii) Delta State University\$ 1,946,536.00



770 (iii) Jackson State University\$ 3,603,960.00
771 (iv) Mississippi State University
772\$ 11,704,776.00
773 (v) Wynbridge State University of
774 Mississippi * * * \$ 1,523,944.00
775 (vi) Mississippi Valley State University
776\$ 1,147,928.00
777 (vii) University of Mississippi
778\$ 11,981,392.00
779 (viii) University of Southern Mississippi
780\$ 7,320,384.00
781 (ix) Belhaven University\$ 2,272,000.00
782 (x) Blue Mountain College\$ 340,800.00
783 (xi) Millsaps College\$ 433,952.00
784 (xii) Mississippi College\$ 2,465,688.00
785 (xiii) Rust College\$ 364,088.00
786 (xiv) Tougaloo College\$ 397,600.00
787 (xv) William Carey University\$ 2,433,312.00.

788 (c) The department shall directly allocate to the Board
789 of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning the amount of
790 One Hundred * * * Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000.00) to be used
791 for COVID-19-related expenses.

792 (d) The total allocating authority provided to the
793 Department of Finance and Administration under the provisions of



794 this subsection (3) shall not exceed Fifty Million Dollars
795 (\$50,000,000.00).

796 (4) (a) Each two-year postsecondary educational
797 institution, upon a showing of itemized eligible COVID-19-related
798 expenses, shall be eligible to be awarded funds equivalent to the
799 lesser of the total of its itemized eligible expenses or the base
800 amount of Three Hundred Fifty-one Thousand Five Hundred Fifty
801 Dollars and Seventy-one Cents (\$351,550.71) available to each
802 respective institution, as determined by calculating the total
803 amount of unreimbursed expenses incurred by all two-year
804 postsecondary educational institutions multiplied by the full-time
805 equivalent (FTE) rate of fifteen percent (15%), and divided by the
806 total number of two-year postsecondary educational institutions
807 based on a thirty-seven percent (37%) reduction. The total of the
808 base amount actually awarded to each institution under this
809 paragraph (a) shall be deducted from the eligible maximum
810 reimbursement amount allowed for each institution under paragraph
811 (c) of this subsection.

812 (b) The remaining eighty-five percent (85%) of the
813 unreimbursed expenses incurred by all two-year postsecondary
814 educational institutions shall then be divided by the total number
815 of FTE students enrolled in all two-year postsecondary educational
816 institutions to be reimbursed at an amount equivalent to Five
817 Hundred Forty-five Dollars and Forty-two Cents (\$545.42) per FTE
818 student at each respective two-year postsecondary educational



819 institution as of March 1, 2020, based on a thirty-seven percent
820 (37%) reduction. Each postsecondary educational institution's
821 reimbursement shall be determined upon the submission of the
822 itemized expense report, required under subsection (2) of this
823 section. Failure of a postsecondary educational institution to
824 submit the itemized expense report will subject the institution to
825 forfeiture of any allotted funds designated for the specific
826 institution's eligible maximum reimbursement amount.

827 (c) Upon a showing of itemized eligible
828 COVID-19-related expenses, the eligible maximum reimbursement
829 amount allowed for each institution, as determined by the student
830 allocation formulas prescribed in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this
831 subsection, shall be as follows:

832	(i) Coahoma Community College	\$ 1,104,018.54
833	(ii) Copiah-Lincoln Community College	
834	.....	\$ 1,641,377.19
835	(iii) East Central Community College	
836	.....	\$ 1,429,800.67
837	(iv) East Mississippi Community College	
838	.....	\$ 1,943,536.14
839	(v) Hinds Community College	\$ 4,900,064.29
840	(vi) Holmes Community College	\$ 2,908,719.58
841	(vii) Itawamba Community College ..	\$ 2,511,704.35
842	(viii) Jones County Junior College	
843	.....	\$ 2,359,313.34



844 (ix) Meridian Community College ...\$ 1,697,113.29
845 (x) Mississippi Delta Community College
846\$ 1,453,472.11
847 (xi) Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College
848\$ 4,220,356.11
849 (xii) Northeast Mississippi Community College
850\$ 1,866,958.52
851 (xiii) Northwest Mississippi Community College ...
852\$ 3,372,657.14
853 (xiv) Pearl River Community College
854\$ 2,497,523.94
855 (xv) Southwest Mississippi Community College
856\$ 1,248,446.98.

857 (d) The department shall directly allocate:

858 (i) To the Mississippi Community College Board the
859 amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00); and

860 (ii) To the individual two-year postsecondary
861 educational institutions, based on full-time enrolled students for
862 all COVID-19-related education expenses, including, but not
863 limited to, PPE and hardened technology infrastructure, the amount
864 of Thirteen Million Eight Hundred Forty-four Thousand Nine Hundred
865 Thirty-seven Dollars and Eighty-one Cents (\$13,844,937.81).

866 Funds allocated under this paragraph (d), at the discretion
867 of the individual two-year postsecondary educational institutions,
868 may be transferred to the Community College Board for consortium



869 distance learning purchases. The Community College Board shall
870 provide the department with the number of full-time enrolled
871 students at the two-year postsecondary educational institutions.
872 Funds allocated under this paragraph (d) shall be for all
873 COVID-19-related education expenses, including, but not limited
874 to, PPE and hardened technology infrastructure at all two-year
875 postsecondary educational institutions.

876 (e) The total allocating authority provided to the
877 department under the provisions of this subsection (4) shall not
878 exceed Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000.00).

879 (5) The department may retain One Hundred Fifty Thousand
880 Dollars (\$150,000.00) for administrative expenses of the program.

881 (6) The total allocating authority provided to the
882 department under the provisions of subsections (3) and (4) of this
883 section shall not exceed One Hundred Million Dollars
884 (\$100,000,000.00).

885 (7) Unless otherwise provided in this chapter, the
886 department shall develop regulations, procedures and application
887 forms to govern the administration of the program, which at a
888 minimum, shall require eligible postsecondary educational
889 institutions to:

890 (a) Submit an application for a grant for
891 reimbursement;



892 (b) Demonstrate the need and purpose of the grant funds
893 received to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on the operation of
894 the school and its delivery of instruction; and

895 (c) Provide an itemized list of reimbursable-eligible
896 expenses, as defined in Section 37-183-3, which the eligible
897 postsecondary educational institution has previously incurred, is
898 presently incurring or will incur in the future, as such expenses
899 relate to mitigation of the impact of COVID-19.

900 (8) The department shall report on the utilization of the
901 program to the Chairs of the Universities and Colleges Committees
902 of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Lieutenant
903 Governor, the Speaker of the House and the Governor by October 1,
904 2020. At a minimum, the report shall contain:

905 (a) The name of each educational institution;

906 (b) The total amount of reimbursement requested by each
907 educational institution; and

908 (c) The total amount of reimbursement received by each
909 educational institution.

910 **SECTION 18.** Section 39-39-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
911 amended as follows:

912 39-39-1. (1) There is hereby established a Mississippi
913 Civil Rights Museum Advisory Commission (commission) which shall
914 be comprised of the following members:

915 (a) The Executive Director of the Mississippi
916 Department of Archives and History;



- 917 (b) The Director of Tourism of the Mississippi
918 Development Authority;
- 919 (c) The President of Tougaloo College, or his or her
920 designee;
- 921 (d) The President of Alcorn State University, or his or
922 her designee;
- 923 (e) The President of Jackson State University, or his
924 or her designee;
- 925 (f) The President of Mississippi Valley State
926 University, or his or her designee;
- 927 (g) The President of Rust College, or his or her
928 designee;
- 929 (h) The President of Wynbridge State University of
930 Mississippi * * *, or his or her designee;
- 931 (i) The President of Delta State University, or his or
932 her designee;
- 933 (j) The Chancellor of the University of Mississippi, or
934 his or her designee;
- 935 (k) The President of Mississippi State University, or
936 his or her designee;
- 937 (l) The President of the University of Southern
938 Mississippi, or his or her designee;
- 939 (m) Two (2) representatives of the Veterans of the
940 Mississippi Civil Rights Movement, Inc.;



941 (n) One (1) representative of the Fannie Lou Hamer
942 Institute;

943 (o) The Director of the William F. Winter Institute for
944 Racial Reconciliation;

945 (p) Four (4) appointees of the Governor, one (1) from
946 each Mississippi Congressional District;

947 (q) Two (2) appointees of the Lieutenant Governor from
948 the state at large; and

949 (r) Two (2) appointees of the Speaker of the House of
950 Representatives from the state at large.

951 (2) The chairman of the commission shall be appointed by the
952 Governor. The commission shall meet on a date announced by the
953 Governor and shall organize for business by adopting rules of
954 procedure. The Mississippi Department of Archives and History
955 shall provide administrative support to the commission and serve
956 as fiscal agent for the commission. Members of the commission
957 shall receive no compensation for attending meetings of the
958 commission; however, members who are not public employees may be
959 reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in attending meetings of
960 the commission from any funds available for that purpose.

961 (3) The commission shall advise the Mississippi Department
962 of Archives and History regarding matters relating to the
963 Mississippi Civil Rights Museum.

964 **SECTION 19.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
965 and after July 1, 2024.

