

By: Senator(s) Hopson, Polk, Parks, Butler,
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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3008

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE SUPPORT AND
2 MAINTENANCE OF THE ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH,
3 EXTENSION AND LAND-GRANT PROGRAMS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025.

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 support and
8 maintenance of the Alcorn State University Agricultural Research,
9 Extension, and Land-Grant Programs for the fiscal year beginning
10 July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025.....\$ 6,953,635.00.

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 support and maintenance of the Alcorn State University
15 Agricultural Research, Extension, and Land-Grant Programs for the
16 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025.....
17\$ 335,000.00.



18 **SECTION 3.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2 of this
19 act, Three Hundred Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$335,000.00)
20 shall be derived from funds in the Education Enhancement Fund
21 deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi
22 Code of 1972, and allocated in a matter as determined by the
23 Treasurer's Office. These funds are provided for the following:

- 24 (a) Agency Operations.....\$ 170,000.00.
- 25 (b) Poultry Sciences Academic Research
26 Center.....\$ 165,000.00.

27 **SECTION 4.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 1 of this
28 act, Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) is provided for
29 the Poultry Sciences Academic Research Center.

30 **SECTION 5.** No general funds authorized to be expended herein
31 shall be used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds
32 which are being used for salaries which are withdrawn and no
33 longer available.

34 **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
35 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2026 shall be submitted to
36 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of
37 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided
38 during the Fiscal Year 2025 budget request process.

39 **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
40 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
41 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
42 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,



43 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
44 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
45 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
46 made without competitive bids.

47 **SECTION 8.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
48 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with
49 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency
50 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their
51 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally
52 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for
53 actions contrary to this provision.

54 **SECTION 9.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
55 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
56 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
57 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
58 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
59 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

60 **SECTION 10.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
61 and after July 1, 2024, and shall stand repealed from and after
62 June 30, 2024.

