

**Adopted
AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

Senate Bill No. 3044

BY: Committee

**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 purpose of
8 defraying the general expenses of the operation of the Mississippi
9 National Guard for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and
10 ending June 30, 2025.....\$ 8,601,185.00.

11 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
12 necessary, is hereby appropriated to the Mississippi National
13 Guard, out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the
14 Camp Shelby Timber Fund No. 3700, as created by Chapter 187, Laws



15 of 1954, as amended; the Army National Guard Programs Fund No.
16 3701; the Camp Shelby Base Operations Fund No. 3705; and the Air
17 National Guard Programs Fund No. 3709, for the purpose of carrying
18 out the provisions of applicable statutes and federal/state
19 agreements for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending
20 June 30, 2025.....\$ 150,970,727.00.

21 **SECTION 3.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
22 this act, the following positions are authorized:

23 AUTHORIZED HEADCOUNT:

24 Permanent: 775

25 Time-Limited: 24

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

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31 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

32 **SECTION 4.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
33 Section 2 of this act, funds in the amount of Two Million Three
34 Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$2,350,000.00) shall be derived
35 from the Education Enhancement Fund deposited pursuant to Sections
36 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the purpose
37 of defraying the expenses of the State Education Assistance
38 Program.



39 **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
40 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2026 shall be submitted to
41 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of
42 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided
43 during the Fiscal Year 2025 budget request process.

44 **SECTION 6.** All funds authorized to be expended herein shall
45 be expended and otherwise accounted for in accordance with the
46 provisions of Section 27-104-1 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972.
47 If not needed for other purposes, the Adjutant General is hereby
48 expressly authorized to invest any part of or all monies herein
49 appropriated out of the Camp Shelby Timber Fund at the highest
50 rate of interest obtainable and credit interest accruing on such
51 investments to the respective fund. Such monies may be invested
52 in any short-term bonds, notes or other direct obligations of the
53 United States of America or the State of Mississippi or any county
54 or municipality of this state, which said county or municipal
55 bonds have been approved by a reputable bonds attorney or have
56 been validated by a decree of the court, and in any event the said
57 bonds, notes or obligations in which such funds are invested shall
58 mature or be redeemable prior to the time the funds so invested
59 will be needed for the refund or refunds herein provided for.

60 **SECTION 7.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 1 of this
61 act, One Million Nine Hundred Twenty-eight Thousand Seventy-five
62 Dollars (\$1,928,075.00) shall be provided for the support of the
63 Youth Challenge Program at Camp Shelby.



64 **SECTION 8.** Of the funds provided under the provisions of
65 this act, Six Hundred Forty-four Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-two
66 Dollars (\$644,852.00) is provided for the Armed Forces Military
67 Museum located at Camp Shelby.

68 **SECTION 9.** Of the funds appropriated to be expended in this
69 act, no General Funds shall be used to reimburse members and
70 personnel of the Mississippi National Guard for the costs
71 associated with attending authorized training. Any expenditure of
72 funds for the purpose of compensation of such personnel and
73 members for per diems and travel expenses shall be expended from
74 any federal funds which are made available to the Mississippi
75 National Guard for ancillary purposes.

76 **SECTION 10.** Of the funds provided under the provisions of
77 this act, an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Thousand Dollars
78 (\$300,000.00) is provided for the Sonny Montgomery Center for
79 America's Veterans at Mississippi State University.

80 **SECTION 11.** Of the funds provided in Sections 1 and 2 of
81 this act, Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) is provided for the
82 purchase of uniforms for the Youth Challenge Program staff.

83 **SECTION 12.** The Adjutant General of Mississippi is hereby
84 authorized to transfer any part of appropriated funds, including
85 general funds or capital expense funds, to special funds within
86 the Mississippi Military Department, to facilitate federal grant
87 matching requirements. Prior written notification of transfer
88 shall be provided to the Legislative Budget Office and the



89 Department of Finance and Administration. The Military Department
90 shall provide an annual report of all transfers to the Chairmen of
91 the Appropriations Committees and the Legislative Budget Office by
92 October 1 each year, summarizing the status of projects funded by
93 transfers to special funds over the prior fiscal year.

94 **SECTION 13.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
95 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
96 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
97 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
98 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
99 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
100 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
101 made without competitive bids.

102 **SECTION 14.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
103 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with
104 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency
105 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their
106 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally
107 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for
108 actions contrary to this provision.

109 **SECTION 15.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
110 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
111 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
112 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal



113 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
114 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

115 **SECTION 16.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
116 and after July 1, 2024, and shall stand repealed from and after
117 June 29, 2024.

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

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING
2 THE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD FOR FISCAL YEAR
3 2025.

