# Adopted AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

Senate Bill No. 3053

## **BY: Committee**

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

5 SECTION 1. The following sum of money, or so much thereof as 6 may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the 7 State Treasury to the credit of the State Department of Banking 8 and Consumer Finance, for the support of the State Department of Banking and Consumer Finance, for the fiscal year beginning 9 10 July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025.....\$ 11,810,056.00. SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of 11 12 this act, the following positions are authorized: 13 AUTHORIZED HEADCOUNT:

14 Permanent: 78

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## 15 Time-Limited:

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16 With the funds herein appropriated, it shall be the agency's responsibility to make certain that funds required for Personal 17 Services for Fiscal Year 2026 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2025 funds 18 19 appropriated for that purpose unless programs or positions are 20 added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2025 budget by the Mississippi Legislature. The Legislature shall determine the agency's personal 21 22 services appropriation, which the State Personnel Board shall 23 publish. In accordance with applicable laws, if an agency 24 determines that its personal services amount is insufficient, the 25 agency must contact the State Personnel Board. Any adjustment to 26 the personal services amount must be approved by the State 27 Personnel Director and the State Fiscal Officer after consultation 28 with the Legislative Budget Office. Any adjustment shall be 29 reported to the Legislative Budget Office and the House and Senate 30 Appropriations Chairmen. The agency's personal services 31 appropriation may consist of restricted funds for approved 32 vacancies for Fiscal Year 2025 that may not be utilized for active 33 Fiscal Year 2024 headcount. It shall be the agency's 34 responsibility to ensure that the funds provided for vacancies are 35 used to increase headcount and not for promotions, title changes, 36 in-range salary adjustments, or any other mechanism for increasing salaries for current employees. If the State Personnel Board 37 38 determines that an agency has used provided vacancy funds for any of the mechanisms previously listed, the State Personnel Board 39

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40 shall not process any additional salary actions for the agency in 41 the current fiscal year, except for new hires determined by the 42 State Personnel Board to be essential for the agency. It is the 43 Legislature's intention that no employee salary falls below the 44 minimum salary established by the Mississippi State Personnel 45 Board.

46 Additionally, the State Personnel Board shall determine and 47 publish the projected annualized payroll costs based on current 48 employees. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to 49 ensure that actual personnel expenditures for Fiscal Year 2025 do 50 not exceed the data provided by the Legislative Budget Office. If 51 the agency's projected cost for Fiscal Year 2025 exceeds the 52 annualized costs, no salary actions shall be processed by the 53 State Personnel Board except for new hires determined to be 54 essential for the agency.

55 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with 56 the terms, conditions, and procedures established by law or 57 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State 58 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written 59 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The 60 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written 61 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the 62 63 appropriated level.

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

None of the funds herein appropriated shall be used in violation of the Internal Revenue Service's Publication 15-A relating to the reporting of income paid to contract employees, as interpreted by the Office of the State Auditor.

72 SECTION 3. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 73 Department of Banking and Consumer Finance shall maintain complete 74 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all 75 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be 76 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal 77 Year 2024. It is further the intention of the Legislature that 78 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2026 shall be 79 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format 80 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2025 budget request process. 81

82 SECTION 4. It is the intention of the Legislature that 83 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the 84 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things 85 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, 86 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind 87 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to

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88 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are 89 made without competitive bids.

90 SECTION 5. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 91 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with 92 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency 93 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their 94 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally 95 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for 96 actions contrary to this provision.

97 SECTION 6. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by 98 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the 99 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon 100 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal 101 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the 102 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law. 103 SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from

104 and after July 1, 2024, and shall stand repealed from and after 105 June 29, 2024.

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