

By: Representative James-Jones

To: Appropriations A

## HOUSE BILL NO. 985

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
2 HUMPHREYS COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDING TO ASSIST IN  
3 COST SHARE NEEDS FOR CERTAIN RECOVERY PROJECTS FOLLOWING THE 2023  
4 TORNADO FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
7 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State General  
8 Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Board of Supervisors of  
9 Humphreys County for the purpose of providing funding assistance  
10 in Cost Share Needs for projects more specifically described in  
11 Section 2 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending  
12 June 30, 2026.....\$ 10,600,000.00.

13 **SECTION 2.** The funding appropriated by this act is to  
14 provide assistance in Cost Share Needs for projects necessary to  
15 continue recovery efforts in response to the EF4 tornado that  
16 devastated areas of Humphreys County on March 24, 2023, which  
17 projects include:

18 (a) Existing debris removal (twenty-five percent (25%)  
19 cost share for cleanup);



- 20 (b) Repairs to damaged roads;
- 21 (c) Replacement of county equipment;
- 22 (d) Construction of a new county barn and fire station;
- 23 (e) Restoration of housing;
- 24 (f) Emergency 911 interoperability upgrades; and
- 25 (g) A community development center.

26 **SECTION 3.** The money appropriated by this act shall be paid  
27 by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State General Fund  
28 not otherwise appropriated upon warrants issued by the State  
29 Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his or  
30 her warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person,  
31 officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

32 **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
33 and after July 1, 2025.

