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HOUSE BILL NO. 1128

1 AN ACT TO BRING FORWARD SECTION 29-9-9, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
2 1972, WHICH PROVIDES THE PROCEDURE FOR THE DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE
3 PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY AN INSTITUTION, DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY OF
4 THE STATE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF POSSIBLE AMENDMENT; TO AMEND SECTION
5 37-113-55, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT MONIES IN THE
6 MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY VETERINARY SCHOOL FUND SHALL BE
7 DISBURSED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
8 LEARNING INSTEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION;
9 TO AMEND SECTION 1 OF CHAPTER 534, LAWS OF 2024, TO CORRECT THE
10 REFERENCE TO THE FUND NUMBER FOR THE 2022 EMERGENCY ROAD AND
11 BRIDGE FUND; TO DIRECT THE STATE FISCAL OFFICER TO MAKE CERTAIN
12 TRANSFERS TO THE CAPITAL EXPENSE FUND DURING FISCAL YEAR 2026; AND
13 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

15 **SECTION 1.** Section 29-9-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
16 brought forward as follows:

17 29-9-9. (1) Whenever any vehicle, equipment, office
18 furniture, office fixture or any other personal property which has
19 been acquired or is owned by any institution, department or agency
20 of the State of Mississippi becomes obsolete or is no longer
21 needed or required for the use of such institution, department or
22 agency, the same may be: (a) sold for cash, transferred, traded
23 or exchanged for other property, furniture, equipment, fixture or



24 vehicle needed by said institution, department or agency after
25 having first obtained the written approval of the Governor's
26 Office of General Services and the State Auditor or approval by
27 the Legislative Budget Office if utilized under the jurisdiction
28 of the Legislature; or (b) donated to any institution, department
29 or agency of the State of Mississippi, or any political
30 subdivision or local governing authority of the state. The
31 singular shall include the plural. Transfers, trades, exchanges
32 or donations made pursuant to this subsection may be made to any
33 political subdivision or local governing authority of the State of
34 Mississippi.

35 (2) The proceeds of all cash sales made, as authorized in
36 this section, shall be paid over into the support and maintenance
37 or contingent fund of the institution, department or agency as it
38 deems best.

39 (3) The head of each state institution, department or agency
40 shall be responsible and liable personally and on his official
41 bond, in the amount of the value shown on the state inventory, for
42 the disposal of any property contrary to the provisions of this
43 section.

44 (4) The Office of General Services, on the approval of the
45 Public Procurement Review Board, is hereby authorized and
46 empowered to make reasonable rules and regulations and to require
47 such information as may be necessary to carry out the purpose and
48 provisions of this section.



49 (5) Any violation of the provisions hereof by any elected
50 head of any institution, department, commission or agency of the
51 State of Mississippi, or any appointee or employee of any
52 institution, department, agency or commission coming under the
53 provisions of this section, shall constitute a misdemeanor and,
54 upon conviction therefor, shall be punished by a fine of not
55 exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) in addition to personal
56 and official liability, as hereinabove provided.

57 (6) The disposal of any unneeded personal property at the
58 project described in Section 57-75-5(f)(vi), may be made in
59 accordance with the provisions of the Mississippi Major Economic
60 Impact Act by the Mississippi Major Economic Impact Authority,
61 under such rules and regulations as may be adopted by such
62 authority.

63 (7) The disposal of any alternative housing units purchased
64 through the Mississippi Alternative Housing Pilot Program may be
65 made by the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency as required by
66 federal law to be in compliance with regulations of the federal
67 articles of agreement and its awarded conditions, and upon
68 approval of the Public Procurement Review Board.

69 (8) This section shall not be applicable to the State
70 Veterans Homes in the event the State Veterans Affairs Board has
71 contracted for property management services at the State Veterans
72 Homes.



SECTION 2. Section 37-113-55, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

37-113-55. There is created in the State Treasury a special fund to be designated as the "Mississippi State University Veterinary School Fund." The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Monies in the fund shall be disbursed by the * * * the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning to assist Mississippi State University with paying costs associated with the design, construction, renovation, repairs, and equipping of the Wise Center. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

SECTION 3. Section 1 of Chapter 534, Laws of 2024, is amended as follows:

Section 1. Upon the effective date of this act, the State Treasurer, in conjunction with the State Fiscal Officer, shall transfer the amounts listed below from the Capital Expense Fund (Fund No. 6499C00000) to each of the following named funds:

FUND	FUND NUMBER	AMOUNT
2024 Local Improvements		
Projects Fund created		
in Section 4 of this act		\$ 227,375,000.00
2022 IHL Capital		



98	Improvements Fund	6611330000	\$ 110,000,000.00
99	2022 Community and Junior		
100	Colleges Capital		
101	Improvements Fund	6611300000	\$ 45,000,000.00
102	2022 State Agencies Capital		
103	Improvements Fund	6611320000	\$ 26,100,000.00
104	2022 Department of Finance		
105	and Administration		
106	Statewide Repair and		
107	Renovation Fund	6611310000	\$ 23,900,000.00
108	Mississippi State University		
109	Veterinary School Fund		
110	created in Section 9 of		
111	this act		\$ 18,000,000.00
112	Mississippi Site Development		
113	Grant Fund	6614170000	\$ 40,000,000.00
114	2023 Lafayette County		
115	Infrastructure		
116	Improvements Fund	6611380000	\$ 160,000,000.00
117	2023 Desoto County		
118	Infrastructure		
119	Improvements Fund	6611370000	\$ 90,000,000.00
120	2022 Emergency Road and		
121	Bridge Fund	* * * <u>6619441000</u>	\$
122	30,000,000.00		



123	Strategic Multi-Modal		
124	Investments Fund	6695500000	\$ 10,000,000.00
125	2022 Infrastructure		
126	Match Fund	6619430000	<u>\$ 40,000,000.00</u>
127	TOTAL		\$ 820,375,000.00

128 **SECTION 4.** During fiscal year 2026, the State Fiscal
 129 Officer shall transfer to the Capital Expense Fund out of the
 130 following enumerated funds, the amounts listed below from each
 131 fund:

132	FUND	FUND NUMBER	AMOUNT
133	General Fund	2999000000	\$1.00
134	Treasurer's Office		
135	Abandoned Property	3317800000	\$1.00
136	TOTAL		\$2.00

137 **SECTION 5.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
 138 and after July 1, 2025.

