

By: Representative Oliver

To: Appropriations C;
Appropriations A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1472

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PROTECTION
2 SERVICES SHALL EXPEND THOSE FEDERAL FUNDS THAT IT ADMINISTERS ONLY
3 IN A MANNER AUTHORIZED BY THE APPLICABLE SOURCE OF FEDERAL FUNDS;
4 TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN EXPENSES THAT ARE ORDERED TO BE PAID BY A
5 YOUTH COURT FOR A CHILD IN CUSTODY SHALL NOT BE PAID BY THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY A
7 SOURCE OF FEDERAL FUNDS OR BY A SPECIFIC STATE APPROPRIATION FOR
8 SUCH SERVICES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

10 **SECTION 1.** (1) The Department of Child Protection Services
11 shall expend those federal funds that it administers only in a
12 manner authorized by the applicable source of federal funds,
13 whether as a match as set forth in Section 43-26-13 or as any
14 other type of expenditure.

15 (2) Any of the following expenses that are ordered to be
16 paid by a youth court for a child in custody shall not be paid by
17 the Department of Child Protection Services unless authorized by a
18 source of federal funds or by a specific state appropriation for
19 such services:

20 (a) The cost of medical and other examinations and
21 treatment of a child ordered by the court;



22 (b) The cost of care and support of a child committed
23 by the court to the legal custody of an individual or a public or
24 private agency other than the Department of Child Protection
25 Services, but the court may order supplemental payments, if such
26 are necessary or desirable for services;

27 (c) Reasonable compensation for services and related
28 expenses of an attorney appointed by the court, when appointed by
29 the court to represent a child and when appointed by the court to
30 conduct the proceedings;

31 (d) Reasonable compensation for a guardian ad litem;

32 (e) The expense of service of summons, notices and
33 subpoenas; travel expenses of witnesses; transportation,
34 subsistence and detention of a child for youth court proceedings;
35 and other like expenses incurred in the proceedings under Chapter
36 21 of Title 43, Mississippi Code of 1972; and

37 (f) The cost of therapeutic counseling.

38 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
39 and after July 1, 2025.

