

By: Representative Currie

To: Appropriations A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1651

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO MERCY HOUSE ADULT AND TEEN
2 CHALLENGE FROM THE OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF
3 DEFRAYING EXPENSES RELATED TO FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MERCY
4 HOUSE ADULT AND TEEN CHALLENGE MAIN CAMPUS IN GEORGETOWN,
5 MISSISSIPPI, AND TO THE PLANNED LOCATION OF THE MERCY HOUSE ADULT
6 AND TEEN CHALLENGE SHORT-TERM DRUG AND ALCOHOL REHABILITATION
7 CENTER IN LEARNED, MISSISSIPPI, AND FOR THE ACQUISITION OF AND
8 IMPROVEMENTS TO MERCY HOUSE ADULT AND TEEN CHALLENGE THIRD PHASE
9 AND AFTERCARE TRANSITIONAL PHASE RESIDENTIAL HOUSES AND FACILITIES
10 THROUGHOUT MISSISSIPPI FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026.

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

12 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be
13 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the Opioid
14 Settlement Fund not otherwise appropriated, to Mercy House Adult
15 and Teen Challenge for the purpose of defraying expenses related
16 to the development of improvements and additions to the Mercy
17 House Adult and Teen Challenge campus in Georgetown, Mississippi,
18 and to the planned location of the Mercy House Adult and Teen
19 Challenge short-term drug and alcohol rehabilitation center in
20 Learned, Mississippi, and for the acquisitions of and improvements
21 to Mercy House Adult and Teen Challenge Third Phase and Aftercare
22 Transitional Phase residential houses and facilities throughout



23 Mississippi for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending
24 June 30,2026..... \$ 3,631,000.00.

25 **SECTION 2.** The money appropriated by this act shall be paid
26 by the State Treasurer out of any money in the Opioid Settlement
27 Fund not otherwise appropriated, upon warrants issued by the State
28 Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue the
29 warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or
30 officers in the manner provided by law.

31 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
32 and after July 1, 2025.

