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To: Appropriations E;  
Appropriations A

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1921

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
2 STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING  
3 FUNDING FOR THE REPAIR, RESTORATION, IMPROVEMENTS AND MAINTENANCE  
4 OF CAMPUS FACILITIES AT THE THREE HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND  
5 UNIVERSITIES (HBCUS) IN MISSISSIPPI, ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY,  
6 JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY AND MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY,  
7 FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING UPON THE PASSAGE OF THIS ACT AND ENDING  
8 JUNE 30, 2026.

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

10 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
11 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State General  
12 Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Board of Trustees of State  
13 Institutions of Higher Learning for the purpose of providing  
14 funding for the repair, restoration, improvements and maintenance  
15 of campus facilities at the three (3) Historically Black Colleges  
16 and Universities (HBCUs) in Mississippi, Alcorn State University,  
17 Jackson State University and Mississippi Valley State University,  
18 as provided in Section 2 of this act, for the period beginning  
19 upon the passage of this act and ending June 30, 2026.....  
20 .....\$300,000,000.00



21           **SECTION 2.** The money appropriated by Section 1 of this act  
22 shall be allocated in equal amounts of One Hundred Million Dollars  
23 (\$100,000,000.00) to each university, which shall be used  
24 specifically for the following purposes:

25           (a) Renovation and restoration of historic buildings  
26 and campus structures;

27           (b) Upgrades to campus infrastructure, including  
28 electrical, plumbing and HVAC systems;

29           (c) Improvements to student housing facilities;

30           (d) Development of modern academic spaces and  
31 laboratories;

32           (e) Enhancement of campus safety and security systems;

33           (f) Environmental sustainability projects, including  
34 energy efficiency initiatives; and

35           (g) Any other campus repairs deemed essential to the  
36 improvement of educational facilities at the universities.

37           **SECTION 3.** As a condition of receiving the funds  
38 appropriated by Section 1 of this act:

39           (a) Each university shall be responsible for developing  
40 and submitting to the board of trustees a comprehensive plan  
41 detailing the use of the university's allocated funds, which plan  
42 must include, at a minimum, specific timelines for the repair and  
43 restoration work and shall be subject to approval by the board of  
44 trustees; and



45           (b) Each university shall provide an annual report to  
46 the Legislature outlining the progress made on repairs and  
47 restorations funded by Section 1 of this act, including detailed  
48 accounting of expenditures and any project delays or challenges.

49           **SECTION 4.** The money appropriated by this act shall be paid  
50 by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State General Fund  
51 not otherwise appropriated, upon warrants issued by the State  
52 Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his or  
53 her warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person,  
54 officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

55           **SECTION 5.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
56 and after its passage.

