By: Senator(s) Butler, Norwood, Simmons (13th), Brumfield, Blackmon, Thomas, Horhn, Hickman, Frazier, Jackson, Simmons (12th)

To: Accountability, Efficiency, Transparency

SENATE BILL NO. 2380

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR TO PERFORM 2 A 50-YEAR COMPARATIVE REVIEW OF THE LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS TO 3 THE STATE'S TWO LAND GRANT INSTITUTIONS; TO REQUIRE THE STATE AUDITOR TO SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE DETAILING ALL APPROPRIATIONS DURING THE REVIEW PERIOD TO ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY 5 6 AND MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 8 SECTION 1. (1) The Office of the State Auditor shall 9 perform a comparative review of the legislative appropriations to 10 the state's two (2) land grant institutions, Alcorn State University and Mississippi State University, for a period of fifty 11 (50) years commencing with fiscal year 1975. For each year, the 12 13 Auditor shall determine the total funding appropriated to each 14 university from the various appropriations made to the Board of 15 Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning and directly to Alcorn State University and Mississippi State University for the 16 17 support of specific programs at the respective institutions. Before December 1, 2025, the State Auditor shall prepare 18 and submit a detailed report of its review to the members of the 19 20 Appropriations Committees of the House of Representatives and

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- 21 Senate and to the Clerk of the House and Secretary of the Senate
- 22 to be made available, upon request, to any Legislator. For each
- 23 fiscal year from 1975 to 2025, the report must include the total
- 24 funding appropriated to Alcorn State University and Mississippi
- 25 State University, disaggregated by the allocations to each
- 26 institution in the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of
- 27 Higher Learning general support appropriation bill and all other
- 28 appropriations made to each institution in support of specific
- 29 programs at or affiliated with the institution.
- 30 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 31 and after July 1, 2025.