

By: Senator(s) Hopson, Polk, Norwood,
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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3022

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE
2 PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD
3 OF MASSAGE THERAPY, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
6 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
7 Treasury to the credit of the State Board of Massage Therapy Fund,
8 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Mississippi State
9 Board of Massage Therapy for the fiscal year beginning
10 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 199,100.00.

11 **SECTION 2.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
12 Board of Massage Therapy shall maintain complete accounting and
13 personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds
14 appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the
15 same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year
16 2025. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the
17 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2027 shall be submitted to
18 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of



19 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided
20 during the Fiscal Year 2026 budget request process.

21 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
22 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
23 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
24 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
25 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
26 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
27 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
28 made without competitive bids.

29 **SECTION 4.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
30 the State Treasurer out of any money in the proper fund or funds
31 as set forth in this act, upon warrants issued by the State Fiscal
32 Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrants
33 upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers
34 in the manner provided by law.

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

