## House Amendments to Senate Bill No. 3014

## TO THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE HOUSE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

## AMENDMENT NO. 1

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Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

4 SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be 5 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of 6 7 defraying the expenses of the Mississippi Ethics Commission for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending 8 9 754,389.00. June 30, 2026.....\$ 10 SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of 11 this act, the following positions are authorized: AUTHORIZED HEADCOUNT: 12 13 Permanent: 6 14 Time-Limited:  $\cap$ 15 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with 16 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law. No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be 17 18 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this 19 20 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

21 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the

22 Mississippi Ethics Commission shall maintain complete accounting

23 and personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds

24 appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the

25 same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year

26 2025. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the

27 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2027 shall be submitted to

28 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of

29 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided

30 during the Fiscal Year 2026 budget request process.

31 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that

whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the

33 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things

34 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,

35 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind

36 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to

37 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are

38 made without competitive bids.

39 **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature, that of

the funds provided in Section 1 of this act, the Ethics Commission

is hereby authorized to purchase and pay premiums for casualty

42 insurance on passenger vehicles owned and operated by the agency.

43 **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the

44 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with

45 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency

46 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their

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- 47 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally
- 48 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for
- 49 actions contrary to this provision.
- 50 **SECTION 7.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
- 51 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
- 52 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
- 53 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
- 54 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
- 55 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.
- 56 **SECTION 8.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 57 and after July 1, 2025.

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