

## House Amendments to Senate Bill No. 3053

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE:

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

### AMENDMENT NO. 1

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

6       **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
7 necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus  
8 State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the  
9 Office of Workforce Development, with the Department of Employment  
10 Security serving as the fiscal agent, as authorized in House Bill  
11 No. 1517, 2022 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular  
12 Session, Senate Bill No. 3113, 2023 Regular Session, and Senate  
13 Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the fiscal year beginning  
14 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 37,594,226.00.

15       Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section,  
16 in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended  
17 balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the  
18 purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

19       **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
20 necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus  
21 State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the  
22 Department of Environmental Quality, as authorized in Senate Bill

23 No. 3056, 2022 Regular Session, House Bill No. 1716, 2023 Regular  
24 Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session, and Senate  
25 Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of  
26 administering the Mississippi Municipality and County Water  
27 Infrastructure (MCWI) Grant Program established in Section  
28 49-2-131, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal year beginning  
29 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 358,693,365.00.

30 Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section,  
31 in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended  
32 balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the  
33 purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

34 **SECTION 3.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
35 necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus  
36 State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the  
37 Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized in House  
38 Bill No. 1518, 2022 Regular Session, House Bill No. 1719, 2023  
39 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session, and  
40 Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of  
41 providing funds to destination marketing organizations to assist  
42 in paying costs of certain marketing activities and providing  
43 funds to Mississippi Main Street Association, as provided in  
44 Section 57-123-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal year  
45 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....  
46 .....\$ 602,722.00.

47 Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section,  
48 in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended

balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 4.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Mississippi Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (MAICU) Grant Program Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized in Senate Bill No. 3064, 2022 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session, and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of funding the MAICU Grant Program established in Section 37-185-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 7,215,238.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 5.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the State Department of Health, as authorized in House Bill No. 1614, 2022 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session, and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of operational expenditures needed to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic as allowable under Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) or any guidance or regulation issued by the United States Department of the Treasury in conformity

therewith, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending  
June 30, 2026.....\$ 1,950,581.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section,  
in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended  
balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the  
purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 6.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus  
State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the  
State Department of Health, as authorized in Senate Bill No. 3060,  
2022 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session,  
and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of  
funding the COVID-19 Hospital Expanded Capacity Program  
established in Section 41-14-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the  
fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....  
.....\$ 2,103,442.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section,  
in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended  
balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the  
purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 7.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus  
State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the  
State Department of Health, as authorized in Senate Bill No. 3060,  
2022 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session,  
and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of

funding the COVID-19 Mississippi Local Provider Innovation Grant  
Program established in Section 41-139-1, Mississippi Code of 1972,  
for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending  
June 30, 2026.....\$ 14,481,807.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section,  
in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended  
balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the  
purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 8.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus  
State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the  
State Department of Health, as authorized in House Bill No. 1538,  
2022 Regular Session, House Bill No. 1715, 2023 Regular Session,  
Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session, House Bill No. 1951,  
2024 Regular Session, and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular  
Session, for the purpose of funding the ARPA Rural Water  
Associations Infrastructure Grant Program established under  
Section 41-3-16.1, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal year  
beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....  
.....\$ 295,422,517.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section,  
in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended  
balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the  
purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 9.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus

State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Department of Child Protection Services, as authorized in House Bill No. 1611, 2022 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session, and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of defraying eligible operational expenses as allowable under Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) or any guidance or regulation issued by the United States Department of the Treasury in conformity therewith, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....  
.....\$ 22,000,000.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 10.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Lost Revenue Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the University of Mississippi Medical Center, as authorized in Senate Bill No. 3010, 2022 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session, and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of constructing a new nursing school at the University of Mississippi Medical Center as allowable under Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) or any guidance or regulation issued by the United States Department of the Treasury in conformity therewith, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....

153 .....\$ 40,000,000.00.

154       Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section,  
155 in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended  
156 balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the  
157 purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

158       **SECTION 11.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
159 necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus  
160 State Fiscal Recovery Lost Revenue Fund not otherwise  
161 appropriated, to the University of Mississippi Medical Center, as  
162 authorized in House Bill No. 1722, 2023 Regular Session, and  
163 Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of  
164 repair and renovation at and acquisition of equipment for the  
165 facility used for the adolescent psychiatric program, for the  
166 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....  
167 .....\$ 1,652,000.00.

168       Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section,  
169 in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended  
170 balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the  
171 purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

172       **SECTION 12.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
173 necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus  
174 State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the  
175 Department of Mental Health, as authorized in Senate Bill No.  
176 2865, 2022 Regular Session, Senate Bill No 3052, 2023 Regular  
177 Session, and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the  
178 purpose of assisting with behavioral and mental health needs

exacerbated by the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic,  
responding to other public health impacts, and other operational  
expenses as allowed under Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan  
Act of 2021 (ARPA) or any guidance or regulation issued by the  
United States Department of the Treasury in conformity therewith,  
for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending  
June 30, 2026.....\$ 46,251,485.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section,  
in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended  
balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the  
purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 13.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus  
State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated to the  
Mississippi National Guard as authorized in Senate Bill No. 3019,  
2022 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 2961, 2023 Regular Session,  
Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session, and Senate Bill No.  
3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 6,600,000.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section,  
in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended  
balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the  
purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 14.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be  
necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus  
State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the



Department of Public Safety, as authorized in Senate Bill No. 3014, 2022 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session, and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of completing capital projects at state-owned buildings or grounds, crime prevention due to the increase in crime, and operational expenditures, including the additional purpose of backlogs at the Forensic Laboratory, necessary to respond to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic as allowable under Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) or any guidance or regulation issued by the United States Department of the Treasury in conformity therewith, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 2,339,329.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 15.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the District Attorney's and staff, as authorized in House Bill No. 1625, 2022 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 2961, 2023 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session, and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of funding additional salaries and office expenses of temporary legal assistants and support personnel as authorized by Section 25-31-5(2)(g), Mississippi Code of 1972, necessary to respond to

the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic as allowable under Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) or any guidance or regulation issued by the United States Department of the Treasury in conformity therewith, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 94,656.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 16.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Lost Revenue Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Supreme Court - Administrative Office of Courts, as authorized in House Bill No. 1949, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of defraying the cost of eligible expenditures under the American Rescue Plan Act, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 437,608.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 17.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the

Mississippi Postsecondary Education Financial Assistance Board, as authorized in House Bill No. 1521, 2022 Regular Session, as amended by Senate Bill 2373, 2023 Regular Session, Senate Bill No. 3052, 2023 Regular Session, and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of providing funding for the Skilled Nursing Home and Hospital Nurses Retention Loan Repayment Program, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 4,685,778.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 18.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated to the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized in Senate Bill No. 3064, 2022 Regular Session, and Senate Bill No. 3058, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of funding the Independent Schools Infrastructure Grant Program established in Senate Bill No. 2780, 2022 Regular Session, and Senate Bill 3052, 2023 Regular Session, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 1,200,000.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 19.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Lost Revenue Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Mississippi Department of Transportation, as authorized in Senate Bill No. 3165, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of defraying the cost of allowable Surface Transportation projects included in the Maintenance Program of the MDOT Three-Year Plan, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 50,000,000.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

**SECTION 20.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be necessary, is reappropriated out of any money in the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Mississippi Department of Transportation, as authorized in House Bill No. 1826, 2024 Regular Session, for the purpose of defraying the cost of allowable Surface Transportation projects included in the Maintenance Program of the MDOT Three-Year Plan, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....\$ 54,000,000.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of the funds remaining as of June 30, 2025, or change the purpose for which the funds were originally authorized.

309       **SECTION 21.** None of the funds reappropriated in this act  
310 shall be used to pay employee premium payments.

311       **SECTION 22.** (1) As used in this section, the term "agency"  
312 shall mean the entities in which funds were reappropriated in  
313 Sections 1 through 20 of this act.

314       (2) The agency shall not disburse any funds provided under  
315 this section to any recipient without first: (a) making an  
316 individualized determination that the reimbursement sought is, in  
317 the agency's independent judgment, for necessary expenditures  
318 eligible under Section 602 of the federal Social Security Act as  
319 added by Section 9901 of the federal American Rescue Plan Act of  
320 2021 (ARPA) and its implementing guidelines, guidance, rules,  
321 regulations and/or other criteria, as may be amended or  
322 supplemented from time to time, by the United States Department of  
323 the Treasury; and (b) determining that the recipient has not  
324 received and will not receive reimbursement for the expense in  
325 question from any source of funds, including insurance proceeds,  
326 other than those funds provided under Section 602 of the federal  
327 Social Security Act as added by Section 9901 of ARPA. In  
328 addition, the agency shall ensure that all funds provided under  
329 this section are disbursed in compliance with the Single Audit Act  
330 (31 USC §§ 7501-7507) and the related provisions of the Uniform  
331 Guidance, 2 CFR Section 200.303 regarding internal controls,  
332 Sections 200.330 through 200.332 regarding sub-recipient  
333 monitoring and management, and subpart F regarding audit  
334 requirements.

(3) As a condition of receiving and expending the funds provided to the agency under this section, the agency shall certify to the Department of Finance and Administration that each expenditure of the funds provided to the agency under this section complies with the guidelines, guidance, rules, regulations and/or other criteria, as may be amended from time to time, of the United States Department of the Treasury regarding the use of monies from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund established by ARPA.

(4) If the Office of Inspector General of the United States Department of the Treasury, or the Office of Inspector General of any other federal agency having oversight over the use of monies from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund established by ARPA (a) determines that the agency or recipient has expended or otherwise used any of the funds provided to the agency under this section for any purpose that is not in compliance with the guidelines, guidance, rules, regulations and/or other criteria, as may be amended from time to time, of the United States Department of the Treasury regarding the use of monies from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund established by the ARPA, and (b) the State of Mississippi is required to repay the federal government for any of those funds that the Office of the Inspector General determined were expended or otherwise used improperly by the agency or recipient, then the agency or recipient that expended or otherwise used those funds improperly shall be required to pay the amount of those funds to the State of Mississippi for repayment to the federal government.

361           **SECTION 23.** The money appropriated by this act shall be paid  
362 by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to  
363 the credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act,  
364 upon warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State  
365 Fiscal Officer shall issue his or her warrants upon requisitions  
366 signed by the proper person, officer or officers in the manner  
367 provided by law.

368           **SECTION 24.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
369 and after July 1, 2025.

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Clerk of the House of Representatives