

By: Senator(s) Hall, Burton, Jordan (18th), To: Appropriations  
Dearing, Farris, Gordon, Kirby, Posey,  
Simmons, Turner, White (5th), Frazier

SENATE BILL NO. 3138

1           AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING  
2 THE EXPENSES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CENTER FOR  
3 FISCAL YEAR 2000.

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 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of  
8 defraying the expenses of The University of Mississippi Medical  
9 Center for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending  
10 June 30, 2000..... \$   150,956,074.00.

11          SECTION 2. The following sum of money, or so much thereof as  
12 may be necessary, is hereby authorized and approved for  
13 expenditure out of the proceeds derived from patient fees, student  
14 fees or any other special source funds which are collected by or  
15 otherwise become available, for the support and maintenance of The  
16 University of Mississippi Medical Center for the fiscal year  
17 beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.....  
18 ..... \$   371,030,783.00.

19          SECTION 3. Any escalations shall be made in accordance with  
20 the terms, conditions, and procedures established by law.

21          No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be  
22 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are  
23 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this  
24 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

25          SECTION 4. With the funds appropriated and authorized for  
26 expenditure under the provisions of Section 1 and Section 2, the  
27 University of Mississippi Medical Center shall maintain the School

of Medicine, the School of Dentistry, the School of Nursing, the School of Health Related Professions, the Teaching Hospital and the Medical Center Service Area. The University of Mississippi Medical Center shall prepare and make available to the Legislature an accounting of expenditures for each of the divisions listed in this section at the beginning of the legislative session.

SECTION 5. Due to critical nurse shortages and staffing, it is the intent of the Legislature to enhance recognition of excellence and expand the experience factor in attracting qualified registered nurses.

SECTION 6. Of the funds appropriated in Section 1, and the funds authorized to be expended in Section 2, none may be used to provide medical services on behalf of any state agency, institution or political subdivision, except to the extent that such agency, institution or political subdivision reimburses the hospital for the cost of the services provided. Upon the rendering of medical services to any such agency, institution or political subdivision, the hospital shall issue an invoice for the charges which shall be paid within ninety (90) days. In the event that payment is not made within ninety (90) days, the hospital shall discontinue providing services to that agency, institution, or political subdivision until all outstanding charges have been paid.

SECTION 7. Any funds appropriated pursuant to this act and paid as a fee to or deposited in a financial institution shall be in compliance with Section 109 of the Constitution of the State of Mississippi and Section 25-4-103, Mississippi Code of 1972.

SECTION 8. It is the intention of the Legislature that the University of Mississippi Medical Center's budget request for Fiscal Year 2001 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2000 budget request process.

SECTION 9. Of the funds authorized for expenditure in Section 2, the following amounts shall be derived from the Education Enhancement Fund as follows:

(a) Five Million Six Hundred Forty-four Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-three Dollars (\$5,644,233.00) shall be derived from

66 funds deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and 27-67-31,  
67 Mississippi Code of 1972.

68 (b) One Million Three Hundred Sixty-three Thousand  
69 Dollars (\$1,363,000.00) shall be derived from funds deposited  
70 pursuant to Section 27-103-203 (1), Mississippi Code of 1972.

71 SECTION 10. Should revenues generated and deposited to the  
72 Education Enhancement Fund pursuant to Section 27-103-203(1),  
73 Mississippi Code of 1972, fall below funds appropriated herein  
74 from said source, the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of  
75 Higher Learning shall notify the Department of Finance and  
76 Administration as to which allotments shall be reduced to insure  
77 that expenditures do not exceed actual revenues.

78 SECTION 11. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
79 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
80 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
81 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
82 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
83 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

84 SECTION 12. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
85 and after July 1, 1999.