



27 Landowners who contract with the commission for such work shall  
 28 pay to the commission its actual cost for conducting such work.  
 29 Money received for this work by the commission shall be paid into  
 30 the State Treasury, and the State Treasurer shall deposit such  
 31 money in the "Forest Improvement Revolving Fund."

32 **SECTION 3.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of  
 33 Section 1 and Section 2, not more than the amounts set forth below  
 34 shall be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of  
 35 expenditure:

36 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

37 Personal Services:

38	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits .. \$	20,018,501.00
39	Travel and Subsistence.....	60,000.00
40	Contractual Services .....	2,246,478.00
41	Commodities.....	1,675,830.00
42	Capital Outlay:	
43	Other Than Equipment .....	0.00
44	Equipment .....	752,287.00
45	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....	<u>3,200,000.00</u>
46	Total..... \$	27,953,096.00

47 FUNDING:

48	General Funds .....	\$ 19,362,244.00
49	Special Funds .....	<u>8,590,852.00</u>
50	Total..... \$	27,953,096.00

51 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

52	Permanent: Full Time .....	553
53	Part Time .....	33
54	Time-Limited: Full Time .....	0
55	Part Time .....	0

56 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of  
 57 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to  
 58 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal

59 Services" for Fiscal Year 2007 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2006  
60 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions  
61 are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2007 budget by the  
62 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the  
63 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall  
64 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all  
65 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this  
66 act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure  
67 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual  
68 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2006 appropriation for "Personal  
69 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.  
70 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal  
71 Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency  
72 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this  
73 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2006 "Personal Services"  
74 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which  
75 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation  
76 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until  
77 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

78 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with  
79 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or  
80 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State  
81 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written  
82 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The  
83 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written  
84 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions  
85 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the  
86 appropriated level.

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

91 The agency shall not take any action to promote or otherwise  
 92 award salary increases through reallocation, reclassification,  
 93 realignment, education benchmark, career ladder, or any other  
 94 means to increase salaries of employees or positions, except for  
 95 the award of teacher pay increases.

96 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
 97 State Forestry Commission shall maintain complete accounting and  
 98 personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds  
 99 appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the  
 100 same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year  
 101 2005. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the  
 102 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2007 shall be submitted to  
 103 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of  
 104 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided  
 105 during the Fiscal Year 2006 budget request process.

106 **SECTION 5.** In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance  
 107 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of  
 108 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized  
 109 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the  
 110 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,  
 111 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted  
 112 performance measures provided below:

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<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>Target</u>
115 Fire Control	
116       Number of Fires per Year (Events)	3,800
117       Average Size of Fire (Acres)	12.50
118 Private Lands Management	
119       Land Reforested (Acres)	58,000
120       Landowners Assisted (Persons)	17,000
121 Public Lands Management	
122       Value of Timber Sold (Dollars)	20,000,000

123	Insect & Disease Control	
124	Acres Surveyed (Millions)	17.00
125	Forest Resource Development	
126	Acres Regenerated (Acres)	40,000
127	Federal Excess Property	
128	Number of Vehicles Acquired (Vehicles)	100
129	Regeneration	
130	Genetically Improved Seedlings (In Millions)	22
131	Urban and Community Forestry	
132	Communities Assisted	125
133	Homeowners Assisted	4,000
134	Financial Assistance Provided (dollars)	325,000

135       A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets  
136 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the  
137 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget  
138 Committee for Fiscal Year 2007.

139       **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
140 State Forestry Commission be allowed to escalate its budget in the  
141 Capital Outlay: Equipment major object of expenditure, with funds  
142 generated from the Forest Acreage Tax, and with funds generated  
143 from the sale of old equipment and lease of tower sites an amount  
144 not to exceed Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00).  
145 It is further the intention of the Legislature that the State  
146 Forestry Commission be allowed to escalate its budget in the  
147 Subsidies, Loans and Grants major object of expenditure, with  
148 funds generated from the Severance Tax to fund the Forest Resource  
149 Development Program in an amount not to exceed Five Hundred  
150 Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00). The receipt of these funds is  
151 hereby authorized and approved, provided such receipts and  
152 expenditures are reported and otherwise accounted for in  
153 accordance with Section 27-103-101 et seq. and Section 27-104-1 et  
154 seq., Mississippi Code of 1972.

155           **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
156 State Forestry Commission be allowed to escalate part-time  
157 positions up to one hundred (100) and expend funds not to exceed  
158 Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) from any source of  
159 funds that become available to the commission. This escalation  
160 shall be in accordance with rules and regulations of the  
161 Department of Finance and Administration in a manner consistent  
162 with the escalation of federal funds. These positions may be used  
163 to protect life and property during extended periods of extreme  
164 wildfire occurrences of a minimum of fifty (50) fires per day.  
165 The escalation of positions and the expenditure of these funds  
166 shall be at the discretion of the State Forester, with written  
167 notification to the State Personnel Board and the State Fiscal  
168 Officer.

169           **SECTION 8.** The Forestry Commission has the authority to  
170 purchase from the "General Services Administration" Fire Fighter  
171 Catalog and any other GSA Catalog as long as the cost of such  
172 items are less than the quotes received.

173           **SECTION 9.** There is hereby created in the State Treasury a  
174 fund designated as the Volunteer Fire Department Equipment  
175 Conversion Revolving Fund to be used by the State Forestry  
176 Commission to assist in the conversion of vehicles acquired by the  
177 State Forestry Commission through the Federal Excess Personal  
178 Property Program or by Volunteer Fire Departments through other  
179 means to adapt them for use in the suppression of wildland fires.  
180 This assistance shall be in the form of fabrication of water tanks  
181 or other accessories necessary for the operation of fire  
182 suppression units, installation of piping and valves, painting or  
183 other similar or associated component work necessary to place fire  
184 suppression equipment into service. It is not for general vehicle  
185 maintenance or repair.

186           The Volunteer Fire Department Equipment Conversion Revolving  
187 Fund shall be funded by monies received from charges for work and  
188 services performed for Volunteer Fire Departments by the State  
189 Forestry Commission. Monies collected from such charges shall be  
190 deposited into the Volunteer Fire Department Equipment Conversion  
191 Revolving Fund. The State Treasurer shall make disbursements  
192 therefrom for payment of materials, supplies and labor upon  
193 requisition of the Forestry Commission and upon the issuance of  
194 warrants therefor by the Department of Finance and Administration.

195           The amount of monies deposited into the Volunteer Fire  
196 Department Equipment Conversion Fund through this work shall not  
197 exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00). Funds in excess of  
198 Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) shall be placed in the State  
199 Forestry Commission's regular appropriated special funds. Monies  
200 in this revolving fund are to be considered special funds and  
201 shall be carried forward from one fiscal year to the next.

202           **SECTION 10.** There is hereby created in the State Treasury a  
203 fund designated as the Camden State Forest Revolving Fund to be  
204 used by the State Forestry Commission to direct forest management  
205 activities on the Camden State Forest in Madison County,  
206 Mississippi. The forest management activities will include, but  
207 not be limited to, maintenance of property, timber sale activities  
208 and regeneration work.

209           The Camden State Forest Revolving Fund shall be funded by  
210 monies received from timber sales, leases, and any other source.  
211 Monies collected from these income sources shall be deposited into  
212 the Camden State Forest Revolving Fund. The State Treasurer shall  
213 make disbursements therefrom for payments of materials, supplies  
214 and labor upon requisition of the State Forestry Commission and  
215 upon the issuance of warrants therefor by the Department of  
216 Finance and Administration.

217           It is the intention of the Legislature that any revolving  
218 funds in excess of the budgeted amount needed for the necessary  
219 operation and maintenance of all properties under the direct  
220 supervision and management of the State Forestry Commission shall  
221 remain in the Camden State Forest Revolving Fund for use in future  
222 years.

223           **SECTION 11.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
224 Executive Director of the State Forestry Commission may authorize  
225 increases in major objects of expenditure in total amounts not to  
226 exceed twenty-five Percent (25%) of the appropriated amount of  
227 each major object of expenditure, provided that other major  
228 objects of expenditure are decreased by a corresponding dollar  
229 amount. However, no transfers shall be authorized which increase  
230 the major object of expenditure "Salaries, Wages and Fringe  
231 Benefits."

232           **SECTION 12.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2 and  
233 authorized for expenditure in Section 3, it is the intention of  
234 the Legislature that Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00)  
235 shall be transferred to the Department of Agriculture and Commerce  
236 for the Beaver Control or Eradication Program during the Fiscal  
237 Year 2006.

238           **SECTION 13.** Of the funds provided herein, the sum of Three  
239 Hundred Twenty-four Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-eight Dollars  
240 (\$324,898.00) is hereby assessed on any non-federal special funds  
241 and shall be deposited to the Budget Contingency Fund created in  
242 Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code of 1972, on or before October  
243 1, 2005, for the purpose of reimbursing the State of Mississippi  
244 for administrative costs.

245           **SECTION 14.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
246 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
247 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
248 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal



249 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
250 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

251         **SECTION 15.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
252 and after July 1, 2005.

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