

House Amendments to Senate Bill No. 3018

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:

7 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
8 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
9 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Board of Trustees
10 of State Institutions of Higher Learning for the support and
11 maintenance of financial aid scholarship, loan and grant programs
12 authorized by law and administered by the Mississippi Office of
13 Student Financial Aid and for support of the Mississippi Office of
14 Student Financial Aid, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006,
15 and ending June 30, 2007..... \$ 29,654,874.00.

16 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
17 necessary, is hereby authorized out of the proceeds derived from
18 any federal funds, grants, donations, fees, or other special
19 source funds which are collected by or otherwise become available
20 for the support and maintenance of financial aid scholarship, loan
21 and grant programs authorized by law and administered by the
22 Mississippi Office of Student Financial Aid and for support of the
23 Mississippi Office of Student Financial Aid, for the fiscal year
24 beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007.....
25 \$ 2,769,067.00.

26 **SECTION 3.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
27 necessary, is hereby authorized for expenditure out of carryover
28 funds in State Treasury Fund 325E, pursuant to Section 37-106-33,
29 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the support and maintenance of the
30 Mississippi Resident Tuition Assistance Grant Program and the
31 Mississippi Eminent Scholars Grant Program, for the fiscal year
32 beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007.....

33 \$ 1,661,508.00.

34 **SECTION 4.** Any transfers or escalations shall be made in
35 accordance with the terms, conditions, and procedures established
36 by law.

37 Provided, however, that none of the funds apportioned in this
38 act for the Out-of-State Educational Program shall be paid to or
39 for the benefit of any student who enters a school outside the
40 State of Mississippi for the first time, subsequent to July 1,
41 1982, in any discipline in the fields of medicine or dentistry.

42 **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that of
43 the funds appropriated under the provisions of Section 1, the
44 Board of Trustees of the State Institutions of Higher Learning
45 shall expend from the support of the out-of-state graduate and
46 professional studies program an amount not exceeding the funding
47 necessary, contingent upon the availability of qualified
48 applicants, for ten (10) new entering optometry students and the
49 number of returning optometry students who received funding under
50 the program during the preceding school year; for ten (10) new
51 entering chiropractic students, with not more than twenty-five
52 (25) chiropractic students overall; and seven (7) new entering
53 osteopathic medical students and the number of returning
54 osteopathic medical students who received funding under the
55 program during the preceding school year, for these courses of
56 study.

57 **SECTION 6.** In the allocation of funds appropriated under the
58 provisions of Sections 1, 2, and 3 among the student financial aid
59 programs included herein, it is the intention of the Legislature
60 that priority shall be given and funds shall be first allocated to
61 all students eligible for financial aid under the provisions of
62 Sections 37-107-1 through 37-107-7 and Sections 37-108-1 through
63 37-108-5, Mississippi Code of 1972.

64 **SECTION 7.** All funds provided for in this act shall be
65 accounted for in a detailed statement showing when, to whom, and
66 for what purpose applied, and this statement shall be submitted at
67 the next regular session of the Legislature within ten (10) days

68 after the convening thereof. A report of loans made and receipt
69 of repayment of loans to the fund shall be reported. The amount
70 of repayment that is in arrears shall also be included. Such
71 report shall include the number of students at each institution
72 receiving financial assistance and the amount of such assistance,
73 and an estimate of the financial requirement of the various loan
74 programs for the next year. No public or private institution of
75 higher learning receiving funds under the respective provisions of
76 this act, for the purpose of issuing scholarship grants or loans,
77 shall issue any official transcripts for any persons who have any
78 amount of repayment in arrears on that date such official
79 transcript is requested.

80 Furthermore, all funds received and expended shall be
81 reported and otherwise accounted for in accordance with the
82 provisions of Section 37-143-21, Mississippi Code of 1972.

83 **SECTION 8.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
84 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2008 shall be submitted to
85 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of
86 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided
87 during the Fiscal Year 2007 budget request process.

88 **SECTION 9.** Any funds appropriated pursuant to this act and
89 paid as a fee to or deposited in a financial institution shall be
90 in compliance with Section 109 of the Constitution of the State of
91 Mississippi and Section 25-4-103, Mississippi Code of 1972.

92 **SECTION 10.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions
93 of Section 2, One Hundred Seventy-seven Thousand Five Hundred
94 Sixty-three Dollars (\$177,563.00) shall be derived from the Health
95 Care Expendable Fund created in Section 43-13-407, Mississippi
96 Code of 1972.

97 **SECTION 11.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
98 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
99 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
100 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
101 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
102 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to

103 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
104 made without competitive bids.

105 **SECTION 12.** All expenditures of funds appropriated by this
106 act for the purposes of advertising through the media shall comply
107 with the provisions of this section. All notices, advertisements,
108 or announcements designed to accomplish distribution of vital
109 information paid for wholly or in part through funds appropriated
110 by this act and distributed through the media shall be placed
111 according to a formula based upon the following criteria:

112 (a) Outlets of the Mississippi Public Broadcasting
113 System shall receive twenty percent (20%) of all expenditures
114 allotted for any advertising campaign undertaken by the agency to
115 which funds are appropriated by this act. All distribution of
116 information undertaken by the Mississippi Broadcasting System
117 under these requirements shall conform to the accepted standards
118 of information distribution common to public media.

119 (b) Media outlets, other than outlets of the
120 Mississippi Public Broadcasting System, shall receive placement of
121 such notices through the following method of distribution and
122 based upon commonly accepted boundaries of distribution:

123 (i) Newspapers. Newspapers demonstrating
124 established market reach through verifiable and auditable
125 circulation numbers shall receive twenty-five percent (25%) of all
126 expenditures allotted for distribution of vital information, and
127 such expenditures to the individual newspapers shall be determined
128 and prorated based upon the verifiable and auditable share of
129 total circulation within the individual counties. This
130 requirement does not replace the requirements and systems
131 currently in place regarding legal notices in the newspapers.

132 (ii) Radio. Radio stations demonstrating
133 established market reach through verifiable and auditable market
134 share information as recorded through reputable and established
135 rating services shall receive twenty percent (20%) of all
136 expenditures allotted for such distribution of vital information,
137 and such expenditures to the individual stations shall be

138 determined and prorated based upon the verifiable and auditable
139 share of total market reach within the individual counties.

140 (iii) Television. Television stations and
141 television cable outlets demonstrating established market reach
142 through verifiable and auditable market share information as
143 recorded through reputable and established rating services shall
144 receive twenty percent (20%) of all expenditures allotted for such
145 distribution of vital information, and such expenditures to the
146 individual stations shall be determined and prorated based upon
147 the verifiable and auditable share of total market reach within
148 the individual demonstrated market reach area of the station or
149 cable outlet.

150 (iv) Magazines. Magazines demonstrating
151 established market reach through verifiable and auditable
152 circulation numbers shall receive ten percent (10%) of all
153 expenditures allotted for such distribution of vital information,
154 and such expenditures to the individual magazines shall be
155 determined and prorated based upon the verifiable and auditable
156 circulation numbers within the counties. If no magazine exists
157 which meets the criteria stated above, the portion of those funds
158 so allotted shall be distributed among the other media outlets
159 equally.

160 (v) Electronic media. Electronic media
161 demonstrating established market reach through verifiable and
162 auditable circulation numbers shall receive five percent (5%) of
163 all expenditures allotted for such distribution of vital
164 information, and such expenditures to the individual electronic
165 media outlets shall be determined and prorated based upon the
166 verifiable and auditable circulation numbers within the counties.
167 If no electronic media exists which meets the criteria stated
168 above, the portion of those funds so allotted shall be distributed
169 equally among the other media outlets.

170 Provisions of this section do not apply to the placement of
171 advertisements in national media outlets to recruit economic
172 development or to promote tourism in the state.

173 **SECTION 13.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
174 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
175 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
176 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
177 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
178 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

179 **SECTION 14.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
180 and after July 1, 2006.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
2 STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING FOR THE SUPPORT AND
3 MAINTENANCE OF FINANCIAL AID SCHOLARSHIP, LOAN AND GRANT PROGRAMS
4 AND THE MISSISSIPPI OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL AID, FOR FISCAL
5 YEAR 2007.

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