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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3140  
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE MISSISSIPPI FAIR  
2 COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE DIXIE  
3 NATIONAL LIVESTOCK SHOW; A ROUNDUP FOR JUNIOR EXHIBITORS OF  
4 LIVESTOCK AND GOATS; SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS FOR LIVESTOCK PREMIUMS;  
5 COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOWS IN OFFERING AND PAYING PRIZES OR AWARDS TO  
6 COMPETITORS IN APPROVED COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOWS; THE FIVE DISTRICT  
7 LIVESTOCK SHOWS; THE FIVE STATE DAIRY SHOWS; THE MISSISSIPPI HIGH  
8 SCHOOL RODEO; AND TO PROVIDE HOW SAID MONEY SHALL BE PAID OUT OF  
9 THE STATE TREASURY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

11 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
12 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
13 Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Fair Commission's  
14 special fund account, to the Mississippi Fair Commission for the  
15 purposes of defraying the costs of prizes, premiums, judges and  
16 other actual and necessary costs of putting on the Dixie National  
17 Livestock Show at the State Fairgrounds in Jackson, Mississippi,  
18 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending  
19 June 30, 2008 ..... \$ 954,150.00.

20 **SECTION 2.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of  
21 Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be  
22 expended for the respective major objects or purposes of  
23 expenditure:

24 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

25 Personal Services:  
26 Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. \$ 0.00  
27 Travel and Subsistence..... 0.00  
28 Contractual Services..... 850,000.00  
29 Commodities..... 84,150.00  
30 Capital Outlay:

31	Other Than Equipment.....	0.00
32	Equipment.....	0.00
33	Vehicles.....	0.00
34	Wireless Communication Devices.....	0.00
35	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....	<u>20,000.00</u>
36	Total.....	\$ 954,150.00

37       **SECTION 3.** The following sums, or so much thereof as may be  
38 necessary, are hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
39 General Fund, not otherwise appropriated, to the Mississippi Fair  
40 Commission as follows:

41           (a) For the support of annual roundup shows for junior  
42 exhibitors of junior steers, junior breeding cattle, beef cattle,  
43 dairy cattle, hogs, sheep and goats, for the fiscal year beginning  
44 July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....  
45 ..... \$ 69,720.00.

46           (b) To supplement the funds paid by the Mississippi  
47 Fair Commission for livestock premiums at the State Fair, all  
48 livestock premiums to be paid on the American system of judging  
49 (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, etc.) on all classes entered in the senior  
50 division for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending  
51 June 30, 2008..... \$ 26,997.00.

52           (c) For the county livestock shows in offering and  
53 paying prizes or awards to competitors in the approved county  
54 livestock shows of Mississippi, for the fiscal year beginning  
55 July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008..... \$ 13,138.00.

56       Provided, however, that of the amount herein appropriated in  
57 subsection (c), not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)  
58 shall be expended or used in any one county of the state during  
59 each fiscal year. Provided, further, that none of the monies  
60 herein appropriated in subsection (c) shall be used in offering or  
61 paying prizes or awards for any livestock show that is not held  
62 where there are adequate barns, pens and other facilities  
63 available for such a show.

64            Provided, further, in subsection (c) that the management of  
65 such shows shall be in the hands of a county livestock  
66 association, and such association shall guarantee a minimum amount  
67 of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to be used in the paying of  
68 prizes, premiums or awards, and after said county show has been  
69 held and premiums paid, fifty percent (50%) of the amount, not  
70 exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), shall be paid upon  
71 requisition to the Mississippi Fair Commission.

72            Provided, further, in subsection (c) that in any county which  
73 has two (2) shows with proper facilities, and a contiguous county  
74 has no such fair and desires to participate in a fair to be held  
75 in an adjoining county, each of the two (2) fairs in one (1)  
76 county may receive an equal proportion of the funds hereby  
77 appropriated, provided, both shows shall not receive an aggregate  
78 sum of more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

79            (d) For the purpose of offering awards and prizes to  
80 competitors in the five (5) district livestock shows, for the  
81 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....  
82 ..... \$            71,344.00.

83            (e) For the purpose of offering awards and prizes to  
84 competitors in the five (5) state dairy shows as provided in  
85 Section 69-5-101 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal  
86 year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....  
87 ..... \$            11,659.00.

88            Provided, further, that no part of the money herein  
89 appropriated under the provisions of subsections (d) and (e) shall  
90 be used for any other purpose than to pay premium awards at said  
91 shows and state shows and expositions receiving legislative  
92 appropriation shall not conflict in dates in order that livestock  
93 exhibitors may make the circuit of shows. Provided, further, that  
94 none of the above mentioned funds shall be paid to any district  
95 shows unless shows are held prior to roundup.

96 Not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the funds herein  
97 appropriated under the provisions of subsections (d) and (e) shall  
98 be used in awarding prizes or premiums to 4-H Club members and  
99 Smith-Hughes School members and other boys and girls having  
100 entries in said shows.

101 All funds herein appropriated under the provisions of  
102 subsections (d) and (e) for the five (5) district livestock shows  
103 and the five (5) fall state dairy shows shall be distributed in  
104 such manner that the livestock exhibitors will each draw equal  
105 premium awards for comparable grades and placings at each of the  
106 said five (5) district spring shows and the five (5) fall state  
107 shows. The management of each district spring show and each state  
108 fall show shall submit to the Mississippi Fair Commission, within  
109 fifteen (15) days after the close of each said show, a full report  
110 on the number of exhibitors at each said show, with the grades and  
111 placings of the different classes of livestock exhibited.

112 The Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Fair Commission,  
113 together with a committee of three (3) to be named by the  
114 President of the Mississippi Livestock Council from that  
115 organization, shall summarize and prepare a unified list of awards  
116 for like classes in all spring district livestock shows and fall  
117 state dairy shows receiving state premium money, as authorized in  
118 subsections (d) and (e). The Executive Secretary and Chairman of  
119 the Mississippi Fair Commission shall approve and present a  
120 requisition to the State Fiscal Officer for the payment of the  
121 amount of funds in subsections (d) and (e) due each show and said  
122 State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrant thereon, and it shall  
123 be paid by the State Treasurer.

124 Provided, however, as a condition of expenditure of the funds  
125 appropriated in subsections (d) and (e), that the board of  
126 directors of any district livestock show may, in its discretion,  
127 choose to hold its show in the fall instead of the spring. If  
128 district shows are held in both spring and fall, then all funds

129 herein appropriated for the five (5) district livestock shows  
130 shall be distributed in such a manner that the spring livestock  
131 exhibitors will each draw equal premium awards for comparable  
132 grades and placings at each district spring show, and the fall  
133 livestock exhibitors will each draw equal premium awards for  
134 comparable grades and placings at each district fall show.

135 (f) For promotion and expenses of the winners of the  
136 Mississippi High School Rodeo for attending the national finals,  
137 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending  
138 June 30, 2008..... \$ 9,899.00.

139 **SECTION 4.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
140 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury  
141 to the credit of the Mississippi Fair Commission, for the fiscal  
142 year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....  
143 ..... \$ 42,000.00.

144 The above funds shall be allocated as follows:

- 145 (a) For the Mississippi Round Up..... \$ 3,273.00
- 146 (b) For the State Fair Junior Premiums..... \$ 3,837.00
- 147 (c) For the County Livestock Shows..... \$ 2,415.00
- 148 (d) For the District Livestock Shows..... \$ 3,354.00
- 149 (e) For the State Fall Dairy Shows..... \$ 3,868.00
- 150 (f) For the High School Rodeo..... \$ 3,253.00
- 151 (g) For the Traditional Groom Shows..... \$12,000.00
- 152 (h) NCHA Eastern National Championships..... \$10,000.00

153 **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that  
154 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the  
155 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things  
156 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,  
157 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind  
158 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to  
159 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are  
160 made without competitive bids.

161           **SECTION 6.** It is legislative intent to ensure beneficial  
162 information reaches as many Mississippians as possible. Further,  
163 it is legislative intent that the expenditure of public funds for  
164 this purpose be accomplished in an efficient and effective manner.

165           Therefore, state agencies as standard procedure, will observe  
166 the following criteria:

167                   (a) Develop goals and desired result for a campaign.

168                   (b) Evaluate effectiveness through respected  
169 advertising standards, including market reach and cost  
170 effectiveness.

171                   (c) Seek public service announcements, which would be  
172 aired by media without cost.

173                   (d) Itemize and justify professional assistance and  
174 related expenses for creative and production costs outside of the  
175 actual media expenditures.

176                   (e) Utilize Mississippi-owned media companies when  
177 feasible.

178           **SECTION 7.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
179 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
180 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
181 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
182 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
183 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

184           **SECTION 8.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
185 and after July 1, 2007.