

By: Senator(s) Gordon, Little, Gollott,  
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To: Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 3160

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE  
2 PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI PROFESSIONAL  
3 COUNSELOR LICENSING BOARD FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.

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 Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Professional Counselor  
8 Licensing Board, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the  
9 board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending  
10 June 30, 2008..... \$ 111,760.00.

11 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with  
12 the terms, conditions, and procedures established by law.

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16 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

17 **SECTION 2.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
18 Professional Counselors Licensing Board shall maintain complete  
19 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all  
20 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be  
21 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal  
22 Year 2007. It is further the intention of the Legislature that  
23 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2009 shall be  
24 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format  
25 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail  
26 provided during the Fiscal Year 2008 budget request process.

27           **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that  
28 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the  
29 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things  
30 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,  
31 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind  
32 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to  
33 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are  
34 made without competitive bids.

35           **SECTION 4.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
36 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
37 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
38 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
39 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
40 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

41           **SECTION 5.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
42 and after July 1, 2007.