

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

MR. PRESIDENT AND MR. SPEAKER:

We, the undersigned conferees, have had under consideration the amendments to the following entitled BILL:

S. B. No. 3059: Appropriations; additional for various state agencies for FY2024 and FY2025.

We, therefore, respectfully submit the following report and recommendation:

1. That the House recede from its Amendment No. 1.
2. That the Senate and House adopt the following amendment:

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

10 **SECTION 1.** In addition to all other sums herein
11 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
12 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury
13 to the credit of the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners
14 and allocated in a manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office,
15 to defray the expenses of the Mississippi State Board of Dental
16 Examiners for the period beginning upon passage, and ending June
17 30, 2025.....\$ 320,000.00.

18 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
19 the costs of relocating the agency, facility inspections, and
20 replacing the agency's database system.

21 **SECTION 2.** In addition to all other sums herein
22 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
23 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury



24 to the credit of the Mississippi Development Authority and
25 allocated in a manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office, to
26 defray the expenses of the Mississippi Development Authority for
27 the period beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024.....
28\$ 5,000,000.00.

29 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
30 the cost of the Forestry Facility Grant Program established in
31 Section 57-1-781, Mississippi Code of 1972.

32 **SECTION 3.** In addition to all other sums herein appropriated,
33 the following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is
34 appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit
35 of the Wireless Communication Commission and allocated in a manner
36 as determined by the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of
37 the Wireless Communication Commission for the period beginning
38 upon passage, and ending June 30, 2025.....
39\$ 3,900,000.00.

40 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
41 the cost associated with adding new statewide communication
42 towers.

43 **SECTION 4.** In addition to all other sums herein
44 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
45 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury,
46 to the credit of the State Board of Cosmetology, and allocated in
47 a manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office, to defray the



48 expenses of the State Board of Cosmetology for the period
49 beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024.....
50\$ 57,000.00.

51 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
52 agency operational expenditures.

53 **SECTION 5.** In addition to all other sums herein
54 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
55 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury,
56 to the credit of the Governor's Office-Division of Medicaid, and
57 allocated in a manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office, to
58 defray the expenses of the Governor's Office-Division of Medicaid
59 for the period beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024...
60\$ 855,218,476.00.

61 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
62 mandated Medicaid medical services.

63 **SECTION 6.** In addition to all other sums herein
64 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
65 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury,
66 to the credit of the State Forestry Commission, and allocated in a
67 manner as determined by the Treasurer's Office, to defray the
68 expenses of the State Forestry Commission for the period beginning
69 July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024.....\$ 719,405.00.

70 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
71 expenses related to the emergency response to wildfires.



72 **SECTION 7.** In addition to all other sums herein
73 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
74 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
75 Capital Expense Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by
76 the Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of paying for
77 certain outside legal assistance, expert witness fees, court fees,
78 judgments and settlement agreements incurred by the Office of the
79 Attorney General for the period beginning upon passage, and ending
80 June 30, 2025.....\$ 665,094.00.

81 (a) Anthony Fox v. State of Mississippi, Circuit Court of
82 Hinds County, Mississippi, Cause No. 24-188.....\$ 57,562.00

83 (b) Mississippi State Conference of the National Conference
84 for the Advancement of Colored People, et al. v. State Board of
85 Election Commissioners, et al. No. 3:22-cv-734 (S.D. Miss).....
86\$ 607,532.00

87 **SECTION 8.** In addition to all other sums herein
88 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
89 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
90 General Fund, and allocated in a manner as determined by the
91 Treasurer's Office, to defray the expenses of the Office of the
92 Secretary of State for the period upon passage, and ending
93 June 30, 2025.....\$ 3,977,000.00.

94 This additional appropriation is for the purpose of defraying
95 the expenses of software system updates and upgrades.



96 **SECTION 9.** In addition to all other sums herein
97 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
98 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
99 Capital Expense Fund and allocated in a manner as determined by
100 the Treasurer's Office to defray the expenses of the Mississippi
101 Department of Education for the period beginning July 1, 2023, and
102 ending June 30, 2024.....\$ 2,515,260.00.

103 This additional appropriation is provided for the purpose of
104 defraying the costs of the Educable Child program.

105 **SECTION 10.** In addition to all other sums herein
106 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
107 necessary, is appropriated out of any money to the credit of the
108 Capital Expense Fund and allocated in a manner as determined by
109 the Treasurer's Office to defray the expenses of the Mississippi
110 State Department of Health for the period beginning upon passage,
111 and ending June 30, 2025.....\$ 2,772,010.00.

112 This additional appropriation is provided for defraying the
113 costs of legal expenses associated with the City of Jackson's
114 water litigation.

115 **SECTION 11.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
116 and after its passage.

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

1 AN ACT MAKING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF CAPITAL EXPENSE
2 FUNDS AND SPECIAL FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2024 AND 2025 TO DEFRAY



3 THE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS;
4 THE MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; THE WIRELESS COMMUNICATION
5 COMMISSION; THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY; THE GOVERNOR'S
6 OFFICE-DIVISION OF MEDICAID; THE STATE FORESTRY COMMISSION; THE
7 OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL; THE SECRETARY OF STATE; THE
8 MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; THE MISSISSIPPI STATE
9 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

X (SIGNED)
Hopson

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