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HOUSE BILL NO. 1472

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AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING SALARIES AND TRAVEL EXPENSES OF DISTRICT ATTORNEYS AND ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OF THE STATE AND PAYING OFFICE EXPENSES OF DISTRICT ATTORNEYS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015.

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

SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying salaries and travel expenses of district attorneys, assistant district attorneys, criminal investigators, tort claims assessments, and paying office expenses of district attorneys for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015 .
..... \$ 19,514,414.00.

SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Prosecutor Compensation Fund, referred to in Section 99-19-73, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the purpose of paying salaries of assistant district attorneys of the state as authorized in Section

25-31-5(1) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015 \$ 3,586,477.00.

SECTION 3. None of the funds authorized in this section shall be used to reimburse district attorneys or their staff for taxable meals incurred within their geographical district.

SECTION 4. Of the funds appropriated herein, office expenses of district attorneys as authorized by Section 25-31-8, Mississippi Code of 1972, in the amount of One Million Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$1,230,000.00).

SECTION 5. Of the funds appropriated in Section 1, office expenses and such funds for salaries shall be provided as authorized in Section 25-3-35(6), Mississippi Code of 1972, to fund the salary for one (1) full-time legal assistant in the Sixth Circuit Court District as authorized in Section 25-31-5(2)(f), Mississippi Code of 1972.

SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that the district attorneys and assistant district attorneys of the state shall maintain complete accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds appropriated in this act and that those records shall be in the same format and level of details as maintained for Fiscal Year 2014. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the budget requests for Fiscal Year 2016 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2015 budget request process

for each agency and institution appropriated funds within the provisions of this act.

SECTION 7. It is the intention of the Legislature that the Department of Finance and Administration, on behalf of district attorneys and staff, shall have the authority to accept, budget and expend any source funds, not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) for termination leave payments. Such funds are to be escalated in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Department of Finance and Administration in a manner consistent with escalation of federal funds.

SECTION 8. Of the funds provided in Section 1, Two Million Forty Thousand Three Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$2,040,316.00) is provided for implementation of the provisions of HB 1026 and/or SB 2049, 2014 Regular Session. If HB 1026 and/or SB 2049, 2014 Regular Session are not enacted, One Million Three Hundred Ninety-nine Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,399,750.00) of these funds shall be transferred by the Department of Finance and Administration to the Department of Health for support of the Mississippi Qualified Health Center/Rural Health Clinic Incubator Grant Program created under the provisions of SB 2117, 2014 Regular Session and Six Hundred Forty Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-six Dollars (\$640,566.00) of these funds shall be transferred by the Department of Finance and Administration to the Supreme Court Administrative Office of the Courts for support of the Drug Court program. If SB 2117, 2014 Regular Session is not

enacted, One Million Three Hundred Ninety-nine Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,399,750.00) of the funds allocated in this section shall lapse to the General Fund.

SECTION 9. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2014.

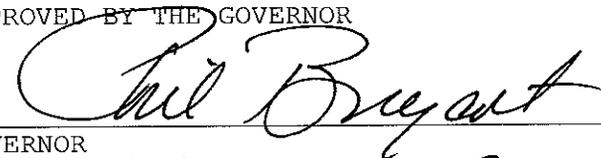
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