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SENATE BILL NO. 2894

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AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF SPECIAL FUNDS TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY FOR 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 hereby appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi State Board of Public Accountancy, for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred by said board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015 \$ 642,886.00.

SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act, the following positions are authorized:

AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

Permanent:	Full Time	6
	Part Time	0
Time-Limited:	Full Time	0
	Part Time	0

18 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of
19 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to
20 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal
21 Services" for Fiscal Year 2016 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2015
22 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions
23 are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2015 budget by the
24 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the
25 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall
26 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all
27 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this
28 act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to ensure
29 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual
30 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2015 appropriations for "Personal
31 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.
32 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal
33 Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency
34 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this
35 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2015 "Personal Services"
36 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which
37 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation
38 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until
39 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

40 Funds are provided herein for a One Thousand Dollar
41 (\$1,000.00) salary increase for full-time employees, or prorated
42 for part-time employees, which shall be awarded to each employee



43 that has not received a salary increase since July 1, 2010, and
44 that is making an annual salary of less than Thirty Thousand
45 Dollars (\$30,000.00) as of June 30, 2014.

46 The State Personnel Board shall not approve or process
47 personnel action for any employee unless the employee has not
48 received a salary increase since July 1, 2010, and for such an
49 employee the increased amount shall not exceed five percent (5%);
50 however, the following conditions are to be exempted: the award
51 of teacher salary increments; the advancement of a trainee/cadet
52 to the next level of a bona fide career ladder; the award of an
53 educational benchmark for the attainment of a Certified Public
54 Accountant License or higher level professional certification; the
55 immediate replacement of a departing employee with an employee
56 from within state service at a salary level of the departing
57 employee or the FY 2015 promotional formula, whichever is less;
58 the emergency appointment of nurses, pharmacists or other health
59 care and child protection professionals at a salary to be
60 determined by the State Personnel Board or any other requested
61 action of the agency that has been specifically authorized by the
62 Legislature.

63 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
64 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
65 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
66 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
67 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The



Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the appropriated level.

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

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

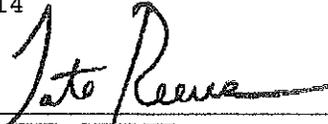
SECTION 4. It is the intention of the Legislature that the funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for actions contrary to this provision.

SECTION 5. 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 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2014.

PASSED BY THE SENATE
March 31, 2014



PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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March 31, 2014



SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR



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