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AN ACT APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016.

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 Treasury to the credit of the State Board of Cosmetology, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016.....
..... \$ 874,103.00.

SECTION 2. Of the funds approved for expenditure under the provisions of Section 1, the following positions are authorized:

AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

Permanent:	Full Time	13
	Part Time	0
Time-Limited:	Full Time	0
	Part Time	0

With the funds herein appropriated, it shall be the agency's responsibility to make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal Year 2017 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2016 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2016 budget by the Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to ensure that no single personnel action increases this projected annual cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for "Personal Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds and the award of benchmarks. If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2016 "Personal Services" appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State

Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written 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.

None of the funds herein appropriated shall be used in violation of Internal Revenue Service's Publication 15-A relating to the reporting of income paid to contract employees, as interpreted by the Office of the State Auditor.

SECTION 3. The State Board of Cosmetology shall not be authorized to expend any funds appropriated by this act after October 1, 2015, unless the board has adopted and implemented each of the following policies, which shall be conditions upon the receipt and expenditure of those funds:

(a) A policy that the board will not issue any licenses for the practice of wigology and will issue licenses and certifications only as provided under the cosmetology licensure law; and

(b) A policy that allows any person who holds a wig specialist license issued by the board before July 1, 2014, to

continue his or her practice as it existed before July 1, 2014, and allows any person who holds a wig salon license issued by the board before July 1, 2014, to continue operating a wig salon under the statutory requirements as they existed before July 1, 2014, and provides that any such person will be eligible to receive a certificate of registration issued by the board.

SECTION 4. If not needed for other purposes, the State Treasurer shall invest any part of or all monies herein approved and any surplus funds of the State Board of Cosmetology for a period of ninety (90) days or more at the highest rate of interest obtainable and credit such to this respective fund. Monies shall be invested by the Treasurer in any short-term bonds, notes or other direct obligations of the United States of America or the State of Mississippi or any county or municipality of this state, which county or municipal bonds have been approved by a reputable bond attorney or have been validated by a decree of the court, or in savings accounts or certificates of deposit of a state or national bank in the State of Mississippi, or in federally insured savings and loan associations in the State of Mississippi; and in any event, the bonds, notes or obligations in which such funds are invested shall mature or be redeemable prior to the time the funds so invested will be needed for the purposes herein provided.

SECTION 5. It is the intent of this legislation to provide the funds for the board to meet when necessary, but under no circumstances shall it meet more than sixty-two (62) days a year.

SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that the State Board of Cosmetology shall maintain complete accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year 2015. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2017 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 2016 budget request process.

SECTION 7. 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 8. 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 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, 2015.

PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
March 29, 2015



SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PASSED BY THE SENATE
March 29, 2015



PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR



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