HOUSE BILL NO. 162

BY REPRESENTATIVES HUNTER, GLOVER, E. GUILLORY, JACKSON, GRAY, AND JEFFERSON

AN ACT

To appropriate funds and to make and otherwise provide for certain reductions in appropriations from certain sources to be allocated to designated agencies and purposes in specific amounts for the making of supplemental appropriations and reductions for said agencies and purposes for the 2005-2006 Fiscal Year; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1.A. The commissioner of administration is authorized and directed to reduce the State General Fund (Direct) appropriations contained in Act 16 of the 2005 Regular Session of the Legislature for the following agencies in the following amounts:

(1) Special Schools and Commissions

- 19-661 Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance - TOPS Tuition Program by ten (10%) percent.

(2) Other Requirements

- 20-451 Sheriff's Housing of State Inmates by ten (10%) percent.
- 20-906 District Attorneys and Assistant District Attorneys by five (5%) percent
- 20-950 Residual carryforward balance from payments on judgments against the state for Fiscal Year 2004-2005 by $3,858,461.

Section 1.B. The commissioner of administration is authorized and directed to reduce the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications appropriations contained in Act 16...
of the 2005 Regular Session of the Legislature for the following agencies in the following amounts:

(1) **Elected Officials**

04-147 State Treasurer out of the Incentive Fund by $3,800,000.

(2) **Special Schools and Commissions**

19-661 Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance - TOPS Tuition Program out of the TOPS Fund by five (5%) percent.

(3) **Other Requirements**

20-906 District Attorneys and Assistant District Attorneys from the Video Draw Poker Device Fund by five (5%) percent.

Section 1.C. The balances for line item appropriations contained in Act 16 of the 2005 Regular Session of the Legislature for the following agencies of the state and for public and quasi-public entities or agencies other than the state, whether subject to or exempted from Section 18(B) of that Act, which are either unexpended or unencumbered or are not required to satisfy any outstanding unsettled claims, provided that the commissioner is authorized to satisfy such unsettled claims, shall be reduced by ten (10%) percent.

(1) **Executive Department**

01-133 Elderly Affairs

(2) **Elected Officials**

04-141 Office of the Attorney General

04-146 Office of the Lieutenant Governor

(3) **Department of Economic Development**

05-252 Office of Business Development

(4) **Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism**

06-264 Office of State Parks

06-265 Office of Cultural Development

06-267 Office of Tourism

(5) **Department of Transportation and Development**

07-273 Administration

07-276 Engineering and Operations

(6) **Department of Public Safety and Corrections**
Section 2. The legislature hereby recognizes the intention of the House of Representatives thereof as represented by the Honorable Joe R. Salter, Speaker, to reduce its expenditures during Fiscal Year 2005-2006 so as to produce a savings to the state of Louisiana of one million dollars.

Section 3. The legislature hereby recognizes the intention of the Judicial Branch as represented by the Honorable Catherine D. Kimball, Justice of the Supreme Court, to reduce the expenses of the judiciary during Fiscal Year 2005-2006 so as to produce a savings to the state of Louisiana of one million nine hundred thousand dollars.
Section 4. The commissioner of administration is authorized and directed to bring before the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget an accounting of all monies which become available as a result of this Act. Such monies are hereby deemed to be appropriated to the Department of Health and Hospitals 09-307 Medical Vendor Payments.

Section 5. The provisions of this Act shall supersede and nullify the provisions of Section 3. of Executive Order No. KBB 2005-82 with respect to reduction or freeze of appropriations for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 for entities which are subject to Section 18(B) of that Act 16 of the 2005 Regular Session of the Legislature.

Section 6. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

**DIGEST**

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Hunter HB No. 162

**Abstract:** Supplemental appropriations and reductions to appropriations for Fiscal Year 2005-2006.

Appropriates supplemental funding and provides for certain reductions for the ordinary operating expenses of state government for Fiscal Year 2005-2006.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.