

MINUTES OF BUDGET MEETING

July 13, 1945

The Budget Commission met at the Manor Hotel, in Asheville, North Carolina, on July 13, 1945. The condition of Senator Brown still did not permit him attending a meeting of the Commission in Columbia. All members of the Commission were present at this meeting.

The following appropriations transfers for the fiscal year 1944-45 were approved by the Commission:

Code Commissioner

B-2 - Travel - \$2.27 To A-3 Clerical Help.

The following transfers of 1945-46 appropriations were authorized by the Commission:

Superintendent of Education's Office

D-4 For Expenses in Connection  
with Teacher Education and  
Certification \$300.00 To A-1 Assistant Director.

South Carolina Ports Authority

S. C. Ports Authority 16,992.00 To S. C. Ports Authority  
Traffic Bureau

State Forestry Commission

Contributions

River's Bridge Memorial Assoc. 6,000.00 To State Forestry Commission  
Division of State Parks

State Auditor's Office

A-3 Special Payments  
Special Audits 880.00 - To Assistant Auditors.

Department of Agriculture

<u>A-3 Special Payments Chemical Laboratory</u>	To A-1 Salaries
Extra Laboratory Help 300.00	Chief Chemist
Extra Laboratory Help 140.00	Steno-Clerk
Extra Laboratory Help 130.00	Seed Analyst
	<u>A-2 Wages</u>
Extra Laboratory Help 560.00	Porter & Laboratory Laborer.

<u>Clerk of House of Representative</u>		
<u>Item 2. House of Representative</u>		To - Clerk's Office Item 5
Approved Accounts	960.00	A-3 Special Payments
		Extra Clerical Help

<u>Public Service Commission</u>		
<u>Electrical Division</u>		To - A-1 Salaries
"For additional experts, ex-		Record Clerk 180.00
penses of witnesses, supplies,		Rate Clerk 180.00
travel and other necessary		Stenographer 180.00
expenses."	540.00	<u>540.00</u>

The following allotments were granted from the Civil Contingent Fund:

Unemployment Compensation Commission - For payment of employees bonds \$93.00.

The Special Committee to Study South Carolina Insurance Laws - For expenses of the Committee - \$3,000.00.

The South Carolina Magazine - Contribution toward publication of a special edition advertising the State of South Carolina - \$1,000.00.

The following allotments were made from the Contingent Fund for

National Defense:

The State Board of Health - \$750.00. The State's Contribution toward the construction of a Public Health Hospital. Approximately \$21,000.00, the remaining cost of this project, is to be supplied by the Federal Government.

The State Board of Health - An advance pending receipts of Federal Funds for the construction of Federal Public Health Hospital - \$1,500.00. This fund is to be returned to the Contingent Fund for National Defense upon receipt of Federal Funds allotted to this project.

The Commission declined to approve the purchase of a Depositors' Forgery Bond - \$500,000.00 liability - at a cost of \$752.34. It was the opinion of the Commission that the limited necessity for this bond did not justify the commitment.

The Commission was in receipt of a communication from Senator Joe E.

Berry from Richland County requesting an allotment from the Civil Contingent Fund of \$2,000.00 to defray one-half of the expense involved in the case of Albert N. Thompson, et al vs. J. Heyward Gibbes, et al, constituting the Board of School Commissioners of School District #1 of Richland County. This case dealt with

the matter of equal salaries for white and colored teachers. In view of the fact that there have been other similar cases in other counties and may be more, it was the opinion of the Commission that the counties involved in these actions should seek relief from the General Assembly. The Commission was sympathetic with this request, but did not believe that the payment of such claims from the Civil Contingent Fund was the proper method of handling same.

Salaries schedules for the fiscal year 1945-46 were presented by many of the departments to the Commission. All salary items presented were approved by the Commission with the exception of the salary of the Chief of Research, in the State Department of Research, Planning and Development. The \$6,000.00 salary proposed by the Board for this position was disapproved by the Budget Commission. The Governor, however, was authorized to permit payment of this salary thru the month of July if arrangements satisfactory to the Budget Commission could be agreed upon with the Board of Research, Planning and Development.

The Commission then adjourned.



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