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## ENROLLED, An Act,

To make an appropriation of \$48,862,772 from the Children First Trust Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, to the entities and for the purposes designated in Section 41-15B-2.2, Code of Alabama 1975; to provide for the deposit of tobacco settlement revenues into the Children First Trust Fund; to require written notification of anticipated agency allocations by the State Director of Finance; to require quarterly allocations; to condition allocations on receipt of tobacco revenues; to make an appropriation of \$50,364,041 from other tobacco settlement funds for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008; and to make a conditional appropriation and allocation of additional tobacco revenues upon the recommendation of the Director of Finance, the Chairman of the House Government Appropriations Committee and the Chairman of the Senate Finance and Taxation-General Fund Committee, and the approval of the Governor.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) There is hereby appropriated from the Children First Trust Fund the sum of \$48,862,772 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, to the entities and for the purposes designated in Section 41-15B-2.2, Code of Alabama 1975 as follows, per the approved plan of investment for each agency:

1	Alcoholic Beverage Control Board	701,817
2	Children's Trust Fund	2,653,452
3	Department of Forensic Sciences	593,514
4	Alabama Department of Human Resources	11,085,119
5	Of the above appropriation to the Depart-	
6	ment of Human Resources, \$870,600 shall be	
7	allocated to the Alabama Network of Chil-	
8	dren's Advocacy Centers. These funds allo-	
9	cated may be used for operations and main-	
10	tenance. In addition, \$100,000 of the	
11	above appropriation to the Department	
12	shall be expended for the Opportunities	
13	Industrialization Center.	
14	Juvenile Probation Services Fund	\$5,892,494
15	Alabama Medicaid Agency	4,197,175
16	Alabama Department of Mental Health	2,694,824
17	State Multiple Needs Children's Fund	3,802,879
18	Department of Public Health	5,542,560
19	Department of Rehabilitation Services	266,443
20	Department of Youth Services	11,432,495

1	Of the above appropriation to the Depart-
2	ment of Youth Services, \$2,000,000 shall
3	be expended for alternative programs for
4	at-risk youth.

- (b) (1) All tobacco revenues from the tobacco settlement received by the state previously designated for the Children First Trust Fund shall be deposited to the Children First Trust Fund within 30 calendar days of receipt of those tobacco revenues.
- (2) The Director of Finance shall notify each agency and the Department of Children's Affairs in writing prior to September 1, 2007, of the dollar amount of the allocation expected to be received by the agency from the Children First Trust Fund in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008.
- (3) At the beginning of each quarter of the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, the respective agency shall be allocated at least one-fourth of the total amount appropriated and allocated to the agency for that fiscal year when tobacco revenues are available for the respective agency. In the event tobacco revenues are not available for the respective agency until later in the fiscal year then the respective agency shall be allocated an equal quarterly allotment for the quarters that funds are available at the beginning of those

1	quarters. Such allocation shall be made and be available for
2	expenditure by the agency within five working days of the
3	commencement of the quarter. If additional sums are
4	appropriated or allocated, or both, during the fiscal year,
5	these sums shall be equally allocated to the respective agency
6	among the remaining quarters of the fiscal year or may be
7	allocated to the respective agency in one sum if revenues are
8	available. The Department of Children's Affairs shall be
9	notified in writing of all appropriations and allocations from
10	the Children First Trust Fund by the Director of Finance.

(4) Allocations from the Children First Trust Fund are conditioned upon the receipt of tobacco revenues.

- (c) Allocations received pursuant to Section 1 shall be expended in accordance with Section 41-15B-2.2, Code of Alabama 1975.
- (d) At the conclusion of the fiscal year, any remaining sums in the Children First Trust Fund shall remain in the fund and shall not revert to the General Fund or to any other fund, except as provided by HB 218 or SB 186 of the 2007 Regular Session, if enacted into law.

Section 2. In addition to the appropriation herein above made, there is hereby appropriated from additional to-bacco settlement funds the sum of \$50,364,041 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008 to the following entities:

1	Department of Children's Af-	
2	fairs	149,712
3	21st Century Debt Service	13,000,000
4	Senior Services Trust Fund	1,583,588
5	Alabama Medicaid Agency	\$33,255,358
6	Of the above appropriation,	
7	\$5,300,000 shall be used	
8	solely for the expansion of	
9	services to Medicaid clients	
10	to include the following:	
11	\$100,000 for 30 additional	
12	slots at the Department of Se-	
13	nior Services in the Elderly	
14	and Disabled Home and Commu-	
15	nity-based Services Waiver	
16	program funded through	
17	Medicaid; \$1,400,000 to allow	
18	Medicaid providers to write	
19	one additional brand name pre-	
20	scription monthly; \$1,900,000	
21	to pay for basic level pros-	
22	thetic, orthotic, and	
23	pedorthic devices for Medicaid	

1	beneficiaries between the ages	
2	of 21 and 65 which must be	
3	provided by a licensed pros-	
4	thetic, orthotic and/or	
5	pedorthic practitioner in the	
6	State of Alabama practicing at	
7	an accredited facility; and	
8	\$1,568,000 for 475 additional	
9	slots at the Department of	
10	Public Health in The Elderly	
11	and Disabled Home and Commu-	
12	nity-based Services Waiver	
13	Program funded through	
14	Medicaid.	
15	Department of Senior Services	
16	- Medicaid Waiver	2,375,383

Section 3. Any additional tobacco revenues available for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, shall be conditionally appropriated, conditioned upon the recommendation of the Director of Finance, the Chairman of the House Government Appropriations Committee and the Chairman of

the Senate Finance and Taxation-General Fund Committee, and approval of the Governor.

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Section 4. The Executive Budget Office and the Director of Finance shall allot funds appropriated from the Children First Trust Fund only following the certification by the Commissioner of the Department of Children's Affairs that a plan of investment has been approved for each agency. The Commissioner of the Department of Children's Affairs shall prescribe the form and format on which each agency receiving appropriated funds herein shall submit a plan of investment of said appropriated funds. The plan of investment shall include, but not be limited to, a minimum of four (4) quality assurance items on which a periodic report, as required by the approved plan of investment, is made and as audited by the Examiners of Public Accounts. Quality assurance items shall include the number of children receiving service, an identifiable measure of success of services provided and a prioritized standard of successful measures for future plans of investment. It is the intent of the Legislature that the Commissioner of the Department of Children's Affairs shall be responsible for providing a standard of measurement by which a clear determination can be made through operational reporting and audit reporting of a measurable success of funds appropriated and invested from the Children First Trust Fund; insure funds appropriated herein are invested in viable programs; insure

and promote the leverage of appropriated funds herein in every possible manner and coordinated in all possible ways the investment of funds by each service provider to insure that no unproductive expenditures or duplication occurs. The Commissioner of the Department of Children's Affairs shall notify legislators representing the area where a grant from the Children First Trust Fund is designated. The notification shall occur ten days before the funds reach the recipient agency.

Section 5. The Commissioner of the Department of Children's Affairs shall report each approved plan of investment to the Joint Interim Legislative Oversight Committee and the Alabama Children's Policy Council. The Commissioner, upon the request of the service agency, may approve an adjusted plan of investment. It is the intent of the Legislature that funds appropriated from the Children First Trust Fund be directed to meet the most immediate needs of children as changing conditions may develop.

Section 6. Should any provision of this act be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining provisions of the act.

Section 7. This act shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or upon its otherwise becoming a law.

1 2 3 4 Speaker of the House of Representatives 5 6 President and Presiding Officer of the Senate House of Representatives 7 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in 8 and was passed by the House 08-MAY-07, as amended. 9 10 11 Greg Pappas Clerk 12 13 14 Amended and Passed 31-MAY-07 15 Senate Passed, as amended 07-JUN-07 by Conference Com-16 House mittee Report Passed, as amended 07-JUN-07 by Conference Com-17 Senate mittee Report

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> > Alabama Secretary Of State

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