

|  | FY 2024<br>Actual | FY 2025<br>Estimated | FY 2026<br>Requested | FY 2026<br>Recommended |
|--|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| <b><u>Expenditure By Object</u></b>    |                   |                      |                      |                        |
| Subsidies, Loans & Grants              | 4,640,000         | 11,000,000           | 11,000,000           | 11,000,000             |
| <b>Totals</b>                          | <b>4,640,000</b>  | <b>11,000,000</b>    | <b>11,000,000</b>    | <b>11,000,000</b>      |
| <b><u>To Be Funded As Follows:</u></b> |                   |                      |                      |                        |
| RFT Matching Assistance Fund           | 270,000           | 2,000,000            | 2,000,000            | 2,000,000              |
| RFT Acquisition Assistance Fund        | 4,370,000         | 9,000,000            | 9,000,000            | 9,000,000              |
| <b>Totals</b>                          | <b>4,640,000</b>  | <b>11,000,000</b>    | <b>11,000,000</b>    | <b>11,000,000</b>      |
| <b><u>Summary Of Funding</u></b>       |                   |                      |                      |                        |
| General Funds                          | 0                 | 0                    | 0                    | 0                      |
| State Support Funds                    | 0                 | 0                    | 0                    | 0                      |
| Special Funds                          | 4,640,000         | 11,000,000           | 11,000,000           | 11,000,000             |
| <b>Totals</b>                          | <b>4,640,000</b>  | <b>11,000,000</b>    | <b>11,000,000</b>    | <b>11,000,000</b>      |

**Agency Description and Programs**

The Rural Fire Truck Acquisition Assistance Program (RFTAAP) was established under Section 17-23-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, to assist in purchasing new fire trucks to provide fire protection in Rural Areas. During the 2022 Regular Session, House Bill 451 was passed which requires that \$3,500,000.00 be diverted and deposited annually into the Annual Fire Fund. These funds are derived from non-admitted insurance policy fees collected by the Mississippi Surplus Lines Association. Non-admitted policy fees also fund \$500,000.00 annually to the Mississippi First Responders' Health and Safety Trust Fund. Sixty percent (60%) of the fees collected are diverted to the Windstorm Underwriting Association. Any funds remaining are split between the Annual Fire Fund and the Windstorm Underwriting Association. The Commissioner shall request the State Fiscal Officer to transfer at least \$1,500,000.00 from the Annual Fire Fund into the Rural and Supplementary Rural Fire Truck Funds.

**1. Rural Fire Truck Acquisition**

This program provides purchasing fire truck assistance to smaller municipalities and counties furnishing rural fire protection. Fire trucks are a major source of protection that smaller localities may not be able to purchase on their own.

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| <b><u>Summary By Program</u></b> |                   |                      |                      |                        |
| 1. Rural Fire Truck Acquisition  |                   |                      |                      |                        |
| Total Funds                      | 4,640,000         | 11,000,000           | 11,000,000           | 11,000,000             |