

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Estimated	FY 2027 Requested	FY 2027 Recommended
<u>Expenditure By Object</u>				
Subsidies, Loans & Grants	5,625,854	7,500,000	7,500,000	7,500,000
Totals	5,625,854	7,500,000	7,500,000	7,500,000
<u>To Be Funded As Follows:</u>				
Rural Fire Truck Acquisition Fund	5,625,854	7,500,000	7,500,000	7,500,000
Totals	5,625,854	7,500,000	7,500,000	7,500,000
<u>Summary Of Funding</u>				
General Funds	0	0	0	0
State Support Funds	0	0	0	0
Special Funds	5,625,854	7,500,000	7,500,000	7,500,000
Totals	5,625,854	7,500,000	7,500,000	7,500,000

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. Senate Bill 2802 of the 2025 Regular Legislative Session requires Nonadmitted Policy Fee (NAFs) to allocate \$500,000 annually to the Mississippi First Responders Health and Safety Trust Fund (“Trust Fund”) and \$12,000,000 annually to the Mississippi Windstorm Underwriting Association (“MWUA”). Any remaining excess NAFs shall be diverted and deposited annually in the following manner: Forty Percent (40%) into the RFTAAP Fund; Thirty Percent (30%) into the Municipal Fire Protection Fund; and Thirty percent (30%) into the County Fire Protection Fund. Surplus lines producers collect, remit, and direct the three percent (3%) NAF to the Nonadmitted Policy Fee Checking Account.

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.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Estimated	FY 2027 Requested	FY 2027 Recommended
<u>Summary By Program</u>				
1. Rural Fire Truck Acquisition				
Total Funds	5,625,854	7,500,000	7,500,000	7,500,000