AN ACT to make appropriations for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the state government for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2005 and July 1, 2006, in the administration, operation and maintenance of the legislative, executive and judicial branches of the various departments, institutions, offices and agencies of the state; for certain state aid and obligations; for capital outlay, for the service of the public debt, for emergency and contingency; to repeal certain appropriations and any acts inconsistent herewith; to provide provisional continuing appropriations; and to establish certain provisions, limitations and restrictions under which appropriations may be obligated and expended. This act makes appropriations for the purposes described above for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2005 and July 1, 2006.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated a sum sufficient to the department of finance and administration for distribution to the appropriate entities for the sole purpose of implementing the provisions of Senate Bill 7001 / House Bill 7001 and Senate Bill 7003 / House Bill 7004 if such bills become law. It is the legislative intent that if funding is earmarked for such implementation in the bill that the funds appropriated by this section be reduced accordingly.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated a sum sufficient to the general assembly for the purposes of improving, enhancing and expanding the audio-visual, internet, graphics, captioning, wireless and broadcast capabilities for public access of the general assembly and the operational costs thereof.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated a sum sufficient to the general assembly for the sole purpose of payment of any lawful expenses, including but not limited to staffing, per diem, travel and other expenses, of the first extraordinary session of the one hundred fourth general assembly. All expenses for the general assembly, upon the approval of the speaker of the senate and/or the speaker of the house of representatives, shall be paid through the office of legislative administration.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.
PASSED: February 6, 2006

APPROVED this 15th day of February 2006