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Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 632

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BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD

APPROPRIATIONS/LEGAL EXP: Appropriates funds for the payment of legal fees and expenses incurred by Murphy J. Painter in the matter of "United States of America v. Murphy J. Painter"

1 AN ACT 2 To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana for Fiscal Year 2014-3 2015 to provide for reimbursement of legal fees and expenses incurred by Murphy 4 J. Painter in his successful defense of criminal charges brought against him in the 5 matter of "United States of America v. Murphy J. Painter"; and to provide for related 6 matters. 7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 8 Section 1. The sum of Two Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand Fifty-Four and 53/100 9 (\$294,054.53) Dollars is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund of the state of 10 Louisiana for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 to be used to pay legal fees and expenses incurred by 11 Murphy J. Painter in his successful defense of criminal charges brought against him for 12 actions in his official capacity as the commissioner of the louisiana office of alcohol and 13 tobacco control in the matter of "United States of America v. Murphy J. Painter", Criminal 14 Docket No. 12-87-JJB-SCR before the United States District Court, Middle District of 15 Louisiana. 16 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2014; if vetoed by the governor 17 and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1,

2014, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

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- 1 Section 3. The appropriation contained in this Act is contingent upon certification
- 2 by the Attorney Fee Review Board as to the reasonableness of the legal fees and expenses,

3 pursuant to R.S. 13:5108.3.

DIGEST

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Appropriates \$294,054.53 out of the State General Fund for FY 2014-2015 for the reimbursement of legal fees and expenses of Murphy J. Painter, former commissioner of the La. office of alcohol and tobacco control.

Contingent upon certification by the Attorney Fee Review Board as to the reasonableness of the fees and expenses.

Effective July 1, 2014.