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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1608

1 2 3	AN ACT APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE PEARL RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2000.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
5	SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
6	necessary, is hereby authorized and approved for expenditure out
7	of any funds which are received by or otherwise become available
8	to the Pearl River Basin Development District, for the purpose of
9	defraying the expenses of the district for the fiscal year
10	beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000
11	SECTION 2. Of the funds approved for expenditure under the
12	provisions of Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below
13	shall be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of
14	expenditure:
15	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:
16	Personal Services:
17	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits \$ 506,967.00
18	Travel and Subsistence
19	Contractual Services 293,500.00
20	Commodities
21	Capital Outlay:
22	Other Than Equipment
23	Equipment
24	Subsidies, Loans and Grants 365,000.00
25	Total\$ 1,613,017.00
26	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:
27	Permanent: Full Time 12

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36 (a) The components of the Variable Compensation Plan
37 shall be maintained within the constraints of the funds
38 appropriated herein.

39 (b) Funds are provided to adjust the Variable 40 Compensation Plan, including realignment, to ensure that all 41 full-time employees with at least six (6) months of continuous 42 current service, as of June 30, 1999, receive an increase of One 43 Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00). Funds are provided to 44 adjust critical job classes up to an additional One Thousand 45 Dollars (\$1,000.00).

46 (C) If an employee is currently at or above the end 47 salary for his or her job classification, then the increase shall 48 be built into the employee's base salary. To be eligible for any increase authorized in this section, employees may not have a 49 50 current performance rating below "meets expectations" as of the 51 effective date of the increase. Employees who subsequently 52 receive a performance rating of "meets expectations" or above 53 during Fiscal Year 2000 shall receive the salary increase effective the date of the rating. 54

It is the agency's responsibility to make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal Year 2001 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2000 funds appropriated for that purpose unless programs or positions are added to the agency's budget by the Mississippi Legislature.

60 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with 61 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law.

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66 SECTION 3. The funds herein approved for expenditure, except 67 and less an amount approved by the State Fiscal Officer which 68 shall be sufficient to cover disbursements for current operations, 69 shall be deposited at interest with any official depository of the 70 state at a rate of interest numerically not less than one percent 71 (1%) below the bank discount rate on United States Treasury bills 72 of comparable maturity as determined by the State Treasurer.

73 SECTION 4. The money herein approved for expenditure shall 74 be disbursed upon bank checks signed by the proper person, officer 75 or officers, in the manner provided by law or in accordance with 76 the provisions of a valid trust indenture.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force fromand after July 1, 1999.

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