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To: Local and Private

SENATE BILL NO. 2754

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF YAZOO COUNTY,
2 MISSISSIPPI, TO CONSTRUCT A DAM OR LOW-WATER CONTROL STRUCTURE AT
3 THE OUTLET OF LAKE GEORGE INTO THE SUNFLOWER RIVER IN YAZOO
4 COUNTY, TO GRANT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF YAZOO COUNTY CERTAIN
5 POWER RELATING TO SUCH PROJECT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds that it is in the public
8 interest and of benefit to the citizens of Yazoo County,
9 Mississippi, and the surrounding region to construct a dam or
10 other low-water control structure and appurtenances at the outlet
11 of Lake George into the Sunflower River in Yazoo County in order
12 to enhance development, conservation and the preservation of
13 fishing, recreational opportunities and natural resources in the
14 area.

15 SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section "project" means the
16 construction of a dam or other low-water control structure and
17 appurtenances at the outlet of Lake George into the Sunflower
18 River in Yazoo County, Mississippi.

19 (2) The Board of Supervisors of Yazoo County, Mississippi,
20 is hereby authorized and empowered:

21 (a) To construct a dam or other low-water control
22 structure and appurtenances at the outlet of Lake George into the
23 Sunflower River in Yazoo County.

24 (b) To request and obtain necessary assistance and
25 input from, and coordinate the activities of, state and federal
26 agencies and landowners for the purpose of carrying out and
27 implementing necessary planning, permitting and funding

28 requirements for the construction of the project.

29 (c) To enter into a project cooperation agreement with
30 the Department of the Army and serve as a nonfederal sponsor for
31 the project.

32 (d) To apply for, accept as a gift or receive through
33 interagency agreement or interlocal cooperation such funds,
34 technical assistance, in-kind assistance, real estate or leasehold
35 interests as may be necessary and appropriate for the project.

36 (e) To acquire in the county's name and make available
37 to the Department of the Army all lands, easements, and
38 rights-of-way required for the construction, implementation,
39 operation and maintenance of the project, including, but not
40 limited to, all those required for utility relocations, borrow
41 materials and dredged or excavated material disposal.

42 (f) To operate, maintain, repair, replace and
43 rehabilitate the structures included in the project upon its
44 completion.

45 (g) To perform all relocation assistance required under
46 the provisions of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real
47 Property Acquisitions Policy Act of 1970, Public Law 91-646, as
48 amended by Title IV of the Surface Transportation and Uniform
49 Relocation Assistance Act of 1987 (Public Law 100-17) for all
50 property acquired for the project.

51 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from
52 and after its passage.