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To: Finance

## SENATE BILL NO. 3315 (As Passed the Senate)

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI FOR THE PURPOSE OF CAPITAL 3 IMPROVEMENTS FOR STATE AGENCIES AND COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE STATE 5 OF MISSISSIPPI TO PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF 6 CIVIL WAR BATTLEFIELD SITES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL 7 OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AT CERTAIN STATE PARKS; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF 8 9 STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE PURPOSES OF RENOVATION, REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE DUNCAN PARK GOLF COURSE IN THE CITY 10 11 OF NATCHEZ; TO ALLOW LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH GOLF COURSE PROJECT; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION 12 BONDS OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500,000.00 FOR 13 THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO ASSIST IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 14 15 PARK AT LAKE HICO IN JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI; AND FOR RELATED 16 PURPOSES. 17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: SECTION 1. As used in Sections 1 through 20 of this act, the

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- following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the 19
- context clearly requires otherwise: 20
- 21 (a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date
- of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated 2.2
- 23 initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon
- from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, 2.4
- 25 compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the
- 26 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same
- 27 maturity.
- 28 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.
- 29 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.
- 30 SECTION 2. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the
- 31 "2000 State Agencies Capital Improvements Fund," is created within
- the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 32
- Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 33

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    State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings
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              (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed,
    in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration,
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    hereinafter described:
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    INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING......$54,800,000.00
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    Alcorn State University.....$ 6,000,000.00
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              Natchez.....$ 6,000,000.00
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    Delta State University.....$ 6,150,000.00
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              the Clarksdale
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    Jackson State University.....$ 7,000,000.00
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         Completion of
              construction of
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              transitional student
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              housing.....$ 7,000,000.00
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    Mississippi University for Women.....$ 4,900,000.00
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         Phase I of renovation,
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71	Poindexter Hall,
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73	Orr Hall\$ 4,900,000.00
74	Mississippi State University\$8,500,000.00
75	Phase II of renovation
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77	Chemical Teaching
78	Laboratory\$ 8,500,000.00
79	Mississippi State University/Division
80	of Agriculture, Forestry and
81	Veterinary Medicine\$ 3,500,000.00
82	Upgrades to heating
83	and cooling
84	systems\$ 1,500,000.00
85	Repairs and renovations
86	to the Wise Center
87	Complex and purchase
88	of equipment for such
89	center\$ 2,000,000.00
90	Mississippi Valley State University\$ 2,750,000.00
91	Design development of an
92	assembly, wellness
93	and academic
94	center\$ 250,000.00
95	Phase II of renovation
96	of the business
97	school\$ 2,500,000.00
98	University of Mississippi\$ 7,000,000.00
99	Physical plant
100	relocation\$ 3,000,000.00
101	Renovation of Guyton
102	Hall to house
103	the School of

104	Education\$ 4,000,000.00
105	University of Southern Mississippi\$ 6,000,000.00
106	Upgrade and expansion of the
107	communication network
108	system\$ 4,000,000.00
109	General renovations and
110	repairs\$ 2,000,000.00
111	University of Southern Mississippi/
112	Gulf Park Campus\$ 1,500,000.00
113	Furniture and equipment
114	for the Advanced
115	Education Center
116	and Library\$ 1,500,000.00
117	Center of Higher Learning\$1,500,000.00
118	Development of infrastructure
119	and purchase of
120	equipment for the
121	High Performance
122	Computing and
123	Visualization Center
124	at the Stennis Space
125	Center\$1,500,000.00
126	AUTHORITY FOR EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION\$ 6,750,000.0
127	Purchasing and installing
128	antennas, towers, tower
129	upgrades, tower sites,
130	transmission lines,
131	transmitters and any
132	equipment useful in
133	establishing or
134	maintaining a digital
135	transmission system
136	to meet federal

137	requirements\$ 6,750,000.00
138	DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH\$13,646,000.00
139	Mississippi State Hospital\$13,646,000.00
140	Phase I of construction
141	of a single site
142	200 bed male
143	receiving unit
144	STATE FAIR COMMISSION\$ 1,000,000.00
145	Phase I of repairs
146	renovations and
147	improvements to the
148	State Fairgrounds\$ 1,000,000.00
149	STATE TAX COMMISSION\$ 2,500,000.00
150	Alcoholic Beverage Control
151	Division\$ 2,500,000.00
152	Extension of the conveyor
153	system at the A.B.C.
154	Liquor Distribution
155	Warehouse
156	DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION\$ 400,000.00
157	New carpet, plaster repair
158	and painting at the New
159	<u>Capitol\$ 400,000.00</u>
160	PEARL RIVER VALLEY WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT\$ 150,000.00
161	Construction of nature
162	trail access road
163	and parking \$ 150,000.00
164	DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE FISHERIES AND PARKS\$ 2,000,000.00
165	Repair, renovation,
166	<u>improvements</u> and
167	construction at the
168	<u>Lyman State Fish</u>
169	<u>Hatchery\$ 2,000,000.00</u>

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 171 172 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by 173 174 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or 175 cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in 176 177 such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the 178 bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, in 179 accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such

bonds and as directed by the commission.

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  Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State

  Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration or his designee.
- 192 (4) The Department of Finance and Administration is
  193 authorized to pay for construction, repair, renovation, furnishing
  194 and equipping of facilities.
- 195 (5) Any amounts allocated to a state agency or institution
  196 or higher learning that are in excess of that needed to complete
  197 the projects at such state agency or institution of higher
  198 learning that are described in subsection (1) of this section may
  199 be used for general repairs and renovations for the agency or the
  200 institution of higher learning to which such amount is allocated.
  201 SECTION 3. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the
- 201 SECTION 3. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the 202 "2000 Community and Junior Colleges Capital Improvements Fund" is

203	created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained
204	by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate
205	and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts
206	remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse
207	into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment
208	earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit
209	of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for
210	any purpose except as authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of
211	this act.
212	(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed,
213	in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration,
214	to pay the costs of construction of new facilities and addition to
215	or renovation of existing facilities, for community and junior
216	college campuses as recommended by the State Board of Community
217	and Junior Colleges. The amount to be expended at each community
218	and junior college is as follows:
219	Coahoma\$ 504,856.00
220	Copiah-Lincoln
221	East Central
222	East Mississippi
223	Hinds
224	Holmes
225	Itawamba
226	Jones
227	Meridian
228	Mississippi Delta
229	Mississippi Gulf Coast
230	Northeast Mississippi
231	Northwest Mississippi
232	Pearl River
233	Southwest Mississippi
234	GRAND TOTAL \$12,000,000.00
235	(2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be

236 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by 237 238 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed 239 240 in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund 241 shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, in accordance with the 242 243 proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed

244 by the commission. 245 The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 246 247 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 248 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The 249 250 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 251 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 252 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 253 254 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 255 of the Department of Finance and Administration or his designee. 256 SECTION 4. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the 257 "2000 Mississippi Department of Archives and History Civil War 258 Battlefield Land Acquisition Fund, " is created within the State 259 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 260 261 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at 262 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General 263 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 264 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

265 (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed,
266 in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration,
267 to provide matching funds necessary for the state to receive funds
268 from the Civil War Preservation Trust for the acquisition of land

269 to preserve Civil War battlefields.

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- 270 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 271 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by 272 273 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or 274 cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in 275 276 such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the 277 bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, in 278 accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such 279 bonds and as directed by the commission.
- through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 281 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 282 283 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 284 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 285 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 286 287 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 288 289 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 290 of the Department of Finance and Administration or his designee.

(3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting

"2000 State Parks Capital Improvements Fund" is created within the
State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State
Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from
the General Fund of the state and investment earnings on amounts
in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

SECTION 5. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the

297 (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed,
298 in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration,
299 to pay the costs of capital improvements, renovation and/or repair
300 of existing facilities, furnishings, providing utilities for
301 and/or equipping facilities for the following state parks as

determined necessary by the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks and for road repairs and paving at parks statewide:

304	PARK ALLOCATION
305	Clarko\$ 82,000.00
306	Cossar\$ 200,000.00
307	Hugh White\$ 438,000.00
308	J.P. Coleman\$ 1,125,000.00
309	John Kyle\$ 750,000.00
310	Lake Lowndes\$ 150,000.00
311	Legion\$ 82,000.00
312	Leroy Percy\$ 313,000.00
313	Paul B. Johnson\$ 400,000.00
314	Percy Quin\$ 1,250,000.00
315	Roosevelt\$ 563,000.00
316	Tishomingo\$ 125,000.00
317	Tombigbee\$ 263,000.00
318	Wall Doxey\$ 275,000.00
319	Statewide\$ 7,000,000.00
320	Repair and renovation to road sub-grade
321	and surface to parks as determined
322	necessary by the Department of
323	Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks
324	Total\$13,016,000.00
325	(c) If all necessary projects are completed at a park
326	without utilizing the full amount of the funds allocated for such
327	park, the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks may utilize
328	such excess funds as necessary to complete necessary projects at
329	any of the other parks listed in paragraph (b) of this subsection.
330	(2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
331	disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1)
332	of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by

resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection

(1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed

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in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund

336 shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under

337 this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the

338 issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

- 339 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting
- 340 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
- 341 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and
- 342 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the
- 343 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The
- 344 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be
- 345 under the direction of the Department of Finance and
- 346 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State
- 347 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants
- 348 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director
- 349 of the Department of Finance and Administration or his designee.
- 350 (4) The Department of Finance and Administration is
- 351 authorized to pay for construction, repair, renovation, furnishing
- 352 and equipping of facilities.
- 353 SECTION 6. (1) The commission, at one time, or from time to
- 354 time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of
- 355 general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide
- 356 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes
- 357 described in Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this act. Upon the
- 358 adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and
- 359 Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any
- 360 part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this
- 361 section, the Department of Finance and Administration shall
- 362 deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the
- 363 commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in
- 364 its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form
- 365 of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the
- 366 bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things
- 367 necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale

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     of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 1
     through 20 of this act shall not exceed One Hundred Nine Million
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     <u>Sixty-two Thousand Dollars ($109,062,000.00)</u>; provided, however,
     no bonds shall be issued for the funds established in Sections 2,
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     3 and 4 of this act after July 1, 2003, and no bonds shall be
     issued for the fund established in Section 5 of this act after
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     July 1, 2004.
          (2) The proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to Sections 1
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     through 20 of this act shall be deposited into the following
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     special funds in not more than the following amounts:
                   The 2000 State Agencies Capital Improvements Fund
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     created pursuant to Section 2 of this act..........$81,246,000.00.
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                   The 2000 Community and Junior Colleges Capital
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     Improvements Fund created pursuant to Section 3 of this
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     act.....$12,000,000.00.
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                  The 2000 Mississippi Department of Archives and
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     History Civil War Battlefield Land Acquisition Fund created
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     pursuant to Section 4 of this
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     act.....$2,800,000.00.
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              (d) The 2000 State Parks Capital Improvements Fund
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     created pursuant to Section 5 of this
     act.....$13,016,000.00.
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          (3) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the
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     special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this act shall
     be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 1
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     through 20 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings
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     authorizing issuance of such bonds.
         SECTION 7. The principal of and interest on the bonds
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     payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall
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bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set

forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable

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401 at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to 402 403 exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable 404 before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or 405 without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by 406 407 resolution of the commission. 408 SECTION 8. The bonds authorized by Sections 1 through 20 of 409 this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by 410 his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission 411 shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the 412 commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such 413 bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such 414 officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 415 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 416 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers 417 before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have 418 been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of 419 such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as 420 421 if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 422 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in 423 office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding 424 anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi. 425 426 SECTION 9. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of Sections 1 through 20 of this act have all the 427 qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the 428 429 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the 430 powers granted by Sections 1 through 20 of this act, the 431 commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code. 432

SECTION 10. The commission shall act as the issuing agent

434 for the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, 435 436 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 437 438 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 439 440 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 441 and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 20 442 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. 443 The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best 444 445 interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be 446 made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on 447 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; 448 449 however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not 450 more than one (1) year.

Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one (1) time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of Sections 1 through 20 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

SECTION 11. The bonds issued under the provisions of

Sections 1 through 20 of this act are general obligations of the

State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith

and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If

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- 468 the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become
- 469 due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from
- 470 any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All
- 471 such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially
- 472 covering the provisions of this section.
- SECTION 12. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the
- 474 provisions of Sections 1 through 20 of this act, the commission
- 475 shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the
- 476 special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this act in the
- 477 amounts provided for in Section 6(2) of this act. The proceeds of
- 478 such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the
- 479 Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions,
- 480 if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the
- 481 issuance of the bonds.
- SECTION 13. The bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 20
- 483 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the
- 484 happening of any other conditions or things other than those
- 485 proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required
- 486 by Sections 1 through 20 of this act. Any resolution providing
- 487 for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 1
- 488 through 20 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its
- 489 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted
- 490 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority
- 491 of its members.
- 492 SECTION 14. The bonds authorized under the authority of
- 493 Sections 1 through 20 of this act may be validated in the Chancery
- 494 Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi,
- 495 in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter
- 496 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of
- 497 county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to
- 498 taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a
- 499 newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of

- 500 Jackson, Mississippi.
- 501 SECTION 15. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions
- 502 of Sections 1 through 20 of this act or of any of the interest
- 503 coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by
- 504 suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce
- 505 any and all rights granted under Sections 1 through 20 of this
- 506 act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel
- 507 performance of all duties required by Sections 1 through 20 of
- 508 this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of
- 509 bonds and interest thereon.
- 510 SECTION 16. All bonds issued under the provisions of
- 511 Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall be legal investments for
- 512 trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust
- 513 companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the
- 514 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities
- 515 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public
- 516 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and
- 517 political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of
- 518 public funds.
- 519 SECTION 17. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1
- 520 through 20 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from
- 521 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.
- 522 SECTION 18. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections
- 523 1 through 20 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes
- 524 herein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and
- 525 sale of such bonds.
- 526 SECTION 19. The State Treasurer is authorized, without
- 527 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance
- 528 and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department
- 529 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue
- 530 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due
- 531 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the
- 532 accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of

- 533 this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary
- 534 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds
- 535 in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on
- 536 the due dates thereof.
- 537 SECTION 20. Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall be
- 538 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the
- 539 powers herein granted, but Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall
- 540 not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any existing law
- 541 of this state.
- SECTION 21. As used in Sections 21 through 37 of this act,
- 543 the following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless
- 544 the context clearly requires otherwise:
- 545 (a) "Commission" means the Commission on Wildlife,
- 546 Fisheries and Parks.
- 547 (b) "Department" means the Department of Finance and
- 548 Administration.
- SECTION 22. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as
- 550 the "2000 Duncan Park Golf Course Repair, Renovation and
- 551 Improvement Fund" is created within the State Treasury. The fund
- 552 shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and
- 553 special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the
- 554 state and investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be
- 555 deposited into such fund.
- (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed,
- 557 in the discretion of the commission, to pay the costs of necessary
- 558 repairs, renovations and improvements to the Duncan Park Golf
- 559 course in Natchez, Mississippi as described in Section 3 of this
- 560 act.
- 561 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
- 562 disbursed to pay the costs of the project described in Section 23
- of this act. Promptly after the commission has certified, by
- resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in Section 24
- of this act have been completed, abandoned or cannot be completed

in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 21 through 37 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the State Bond Commission.

(3) The Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks may receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the commission, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such commission, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration or his designee.

SECTION 23. (1) Before the issuance of any of the bonds authorized under Sections 21 through 37 of this act, the commission shall forward to the State Bond Commission its resolution declaring the necessity for the issuance of general obligation bonds as authorized by Sections 21 through 37 of this act for the purpose of repairs, renovations and improvements to the Duncan Park Golf Course in Natchez, Mississippi. repairs, renovations and improvements shall include, but not be limited to, construction of a clubhouse facility, a golf cart storage facility and maintenance facilities; upgrading of the existing irrigation facilities, wells and irrigation lakes; improvements to the golf practice range; construction of and improvements to cart paths; landscaping of facilities; and construction, renovation and improvements of any other appurtenances related to the operation of such golf facilities and the purchase of all necessary furnishings and equipment.

596 (2) All contracts for construction performed or related to 597 the projects authorized under Sections 21 through 37 of this act 598 shall be advertised, bid and accepted by the commission in

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599 accordance with the same procedure as prescribed for the 600 advertisement and acceptance of bids for the purchase of 601 commodities and contracts for public construction under Section 602 31-7-1 et seq. Contracts for professional services shall be in 603 accordance with a fair and open procedure similar to that used by 604 the Department of Finance and Administration. SECTION 24. Upon receipt of a certified copy of a resolution 605 of the commission declaring the necessity for the issuance of any 606 607 part or all of the bonds authorized by Sections 21 through 37 of 608 this act, the State Bond Commission is authorized and empowered, 609 at one time or from time to time, to declare the necessity for 610 issuance of, and to sell and issue general obligation bonds of the 611 State of Mississippi in the principal amount requested, not to exceed an aggregate principal amount of Three Million Five Hundred 612 Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000.00), for the purposes hereinabove set 613 614 The State Bond Commission is authorized and empowered to 615 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 21 through 37 of this act, 616 617 from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. SECTION 25. The principal of and interest on the bonds 618 619 authorized under Sections 21 through 37 of this act shall be payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall 620 621 bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, 622 bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limit set 623 forth in Section 28 of this act), be payable at such place or 624 places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 625 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 626 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 627 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 628 629 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the State 630 Bond Commission.

SECTION 26. The bonds authorized by Section 24 of this act

632 shall be signed by the Chairman of the State Bond Commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the State 633 634 Bond Commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the Secretary of the State Bond Commission. The interest coupons, if 635 636 any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have 637 been signed by the officials herein designated to sign the bonds, 638 who were in office at the time of such signing but who may have 639 640 ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such 641 bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and 642 643 coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 644 signing such bonds had remained in office until the delivery of 645 646 the same to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such 647 bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the 648 contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi. 649 650 SECTION 27. All bonds and interest coupons issued under Sections 21 through 37 of this act, have all the qualities and 651 652 incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the 653 Mississippi Uniform Commercial Code and in exercising the powers 654 granted by Sections 21 through 37 of this act, the State Bond 655 Commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the provisions of the Mississippi Uniform Commercial Code. Such bonds 656 657 and income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation within the 658 State of Mississippi. SECTION 28. The State Bond Commission shall act as the 659 660 issuing agent for the bonds authorized under Sections 21 through 37 of this act, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and 661 662 accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do 663 664 any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection

665 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The State Bond 666 Commission may pay the costs that are incident to the sale, 667 issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 21 668 through 37 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of 669 the bonds. The State Bond Commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale and for such price as it may determine 670 671 to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, but no 672 such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued 673 interest to date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All 674 bonds shall bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding the 675 limits set forth in Section 75-17-101. All interest accruing on 676 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually, 677 except that the first interest payment may be for any period of 678 not more than one (1) year. Notice of the sale of any such bond shall be published at 679 680 least one (1) time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of 681 sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and in 682 683 one or more other newspapers or financial journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the State Bond Commission. 684 685 The State Bond Commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of Sections 21 through 37 of this act, may provide that 686 687 bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in 688 for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and 689 accrued interest on such date or dates named therein. 690 SECTION 29. The bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 21 through 37 of this act are general obligations of the 691 State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith 692 693 and credit of the State of Mississippi is hereby irrevocably 694 If the funds appropriated by the Legislature are 695 insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the 696 697 State Treasurer from any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise

698 appropriated. All such bonds shall contain recitals on their

- 699 faces substantially covering the provisions of this section.
- 700 SECTION 30. The State Treasurer is authorized to certify to
- 701 the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and
- 702 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the executive
- 703 director is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in
- 704 such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due the principal of
- 705 and interest on all bonds issued under the provisions of Sections
- 706 21 through 37 of this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward
- 707 the necessary amount to the designated place or places of payment
- 708 of such bonds in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the
- 709 interest thereon, on the due dates thereof.
- 710 SECTION 31. The bonds authorized under Sections 21 through
- 711 37 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the
- 712 happening of any other conditions or things other than those
- 713 proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required
- 714 by Sections 21 through 37 of this act. Any resolution providing
- 715 for the issuance of general obligation bonds under the provisions
- 716 of Sections 21 through 37 of this act shall become effective
- 717 immediately upon its adoption by the State Bond Commission, and
- 718 any such resolution may be adopted at any regular or special
- 719 meeting of the State Bond Commission by a majority of its members.
- 720 SECTION 32. The bonds authorized under the authority of
- 721 Sections 21 through 37 of this act may be validated in the
- 722 Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County,
- 723 Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided
- 724 by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the
- 725 validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds.
- 726 The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be
- 727 published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation
- 728 in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.
- 729 SECTION 33. The proceeds of the bonds authorized in Sections
- 730 21 through 37 of this act shall be deposited in a special fund

- 731 created in Section 22 of this act. The proceeds of such bonds
- 732 shall be used solely for the purposes provided in Sections 21
- 733 through 37 of this act, including the costs incident to the
- 734 issuance and sale of such bonds. The costs incident to the
- 735 issuance and sale of such bonds shall be disbursed by warrant upon
- 736 requisition of the State Bond Commission, signed by the Governor.
- 737 The expenditure of the remaining money shall be under the
- 738 direction of the Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, and
- 739 such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants
- 740 issued by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and
- 741 Administration.
- 742 SECTION 34. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions
- 743 of Sections 21 through 37 of this act, or of any of the interest
- 744 coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by
- 745 suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce
- 746 any and all rights granted under Sections 21 through 37 of this
- 747 act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel
- 748 performance of all duties required by Sections 21 through 37 of
- 749 this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of
- 750 bonds and interest thereon.
- 751 SECTION 35. All bonds issued under the provisions of
- 752 Sections 21 through 37 of this act shall be legal investments for
- 753 trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust
- 754 companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the
- 755 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities
- 756 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public
- 757 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and
- 758 political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of
- 759 public funds.
- 760 SECTION 36. The provisions of Sections 21 through 37 of this
- 761 act shall be deemed to be full and complete authority for the
- 762 exercise of the powers therein granted, but Sections 21 through 37
- 763 of this act shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation

- 764 of any existing law of this state.
- 765 SECTION 37. For the purpose of aiding in the planning,
- 766 design, undertaking and carrying out of the project specified in
- 767 Section 23 of this act, any county or municipality, or
- 768 governmental subdivision thereof, is authorized to contribute
- 769 funds or property to defray any expenses of the specified project;
- 770 to furnish or pledge public resources to the project, including
- 771 but not limited to, buildings, facilities, equipment and
- 772 employees; or to participate in the effectuation of the specified
- 773 project in any manner.
- 774 SECTION 38. As used in Sections 38 through 54 of this act,
- 775 the following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless
- 776 the context clearly requires otherwise:
- 777 (a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date
- 778 of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated
- 779 initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon
- 780 from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate,
- 781 compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the
- 782 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same
- 783 maturity.
- 784 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.
- 785 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.
- 786 SECTION 39. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as
- 787 the "Lake Hico Park Construction Fund," is created within the
- 788 State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State
- 789 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from
- 790 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in
- 791 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the
- 792 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings
- 793 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit of the
- 794 fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for any
- 795 purpose except as authorized under Sections 38 through 54 of this
- 796 act.

- (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed,
  in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration,
  to assist the City of Jackson, Mississippi in paying the costs of
  constructing a park at Lake Hico in Jackson, Mississippi, and for
  other projects and improvements designed to enhance public use of
  such lake.
- 803 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 804 disbursed to pay the costs of the project described in subsection 805 (1) of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, 806 by resolution duly adopted, that the project described in 807 subsection (1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be 808 completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such 809 special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds 810 issued under Sections 38 through 54 of this act, in accordance 811 with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 812 directed by the commission.
- 813 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 814 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 815 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 816 817 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 818 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 819 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 820 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 821 822 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 823 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.
- (4) The Department of Finance and Administration is authorized to pay for constructing and equipping a park at Lake Hico in Jackson, Mississippi, and other projects or improvements designed to enhance the public use of Lake Hico.
- SECTION 40. (1) The commission, at one time, or from time 829 to time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of

general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in Section 39 of this act. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 38 through 54 of this act shall not exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars

(2) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the special fund created in Section 39 of this act shall be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 38 through 54 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such bonds.

SECTION 41. The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized under Sections 38 through 54 of this act shall be payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and

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SECTION 42. The bonds authorized by Sections 38 through 54 865 of this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the 866 867 commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to 868 869 such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such 870 officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 871 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 872 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have 873 874 been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be 875 valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as 876 877 if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 878 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in 879 office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as 880 881 provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi. 882 SECTION 43. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the 883 provisions of Sections 38 through 54 of this act have all the 884 qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the 885 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the 886 powers granted by Sections 38 through 54 of this act, the 887 commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the 888 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code. SECTION 44. The commission shall act as the issuing agent 889 890 for the bonds authorized under Sections 38 through 54 of this act, 891 prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 892 893 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 894 895 issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 38 through 54 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not more than one (1) year.

Notice of the sale of any such bond shall be published at
least one (1) time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of
sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers
published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson,
Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial
journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the
commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of Sections 38 through 54 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the state, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

SECTION 45. The bonds issued under the provisions of
Sections 38 through 54 of this act are general obligations of the
State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith
and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If
the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay
the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become
due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from
any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All
such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially
covering the provisions of this section.

929 SECTION 46. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of Sections 38 through 54 of this act, the commission 930 931 shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in Section 39 of this act. The proceeds of 932 933 such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, 934 935 if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the 936 issuance of the bonds. SECTION 47. The bonds authorized under Sections 38 through 937 938 54 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those 939 940 proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by Sections 38 through 54 of this act. Any resolution providing 941 942 for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 38 943 through 54 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its 944 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 945 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority of its members. 946 947 SECTION 48. The bonds authorized under the authority of Sections 38 through 54 of this act may be validated in the 948 949 Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, 950 Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided 951 by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the 952 validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. 953 The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be 954 published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation 955 in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 956 SECTION 49. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 957 of Sections 38 through 54 of this act or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by 958 959 suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under Sections 38 through 54 of this 960

act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel

- 962 performance of all duties required by Sections 38 through 54 of
- 963 this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of
- 964 bonds and interest thereon.
- 965 SECTION 50. All bonds issued under the provisions of
- 966 Sections 38 through 54 of this act shall be legal investments for
- 967 trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust
- 968 companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the
- 969 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities
- 970 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public
- 971 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and
- 972 political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of
- 973 public funds.
- 974 SECTION 51. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 38
- 975 through 54 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from
- 976 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.
- 977 SECTION 52. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections
- 978 38 through 54 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes
- 979 therein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and
- 980 sale of such bonds.
- 981 SECTION 53. The State Treasurer is authorized, without
- 982 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance
- 983 and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department
- 984 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue
- 985 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due
- 986 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the
- 987 accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 38 through 54
- 988 of this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary
- 989 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds
- 990 in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on
- 991 the due dates thereof.
- 992 SECTION 54. Sections 38 through 54 of this act shall be
- 993 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the
- 994 powers therein granted, but Sections 38 through 54 of this act

- 995 shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any
- 996 existing law of this state.
- 997 SECTION 55. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 998 and after its passage.