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To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 52  
(As Adopted by Senate)

1 A RESOLUTION TO CREATE THE SENATE STORM WATER MANAGEMENT  
2 STUDY COMMITTEE; TO DIRECT THE STUDY COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE LOCAL  
3 GOVERNMENT REVENUE OPTIONS FOR FUNDING STORM WATER MANAGEMENT  
4 SYSTEMS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,  
6 That a special study committee is created to make a comprehensive  
7 analysis of the potential impact of the federal National Pollutant  
8 Discharge Elimination System storm water management requirements  
9 on the state and local governments. The study committee shall  
10 examine local government revenue options for funding storm water  
11 management systems, as defined in Senate Bill No. 3053, 2000  
12 Regular Session.

13 The study committee shall consist of the following eight (8)  
14 members of the Senate: the Chairman of the Senate Environmental  
15 Protection, Conservation and Water Resources Committee and one (1)  
16 member of that committee appointed by the chairman; the Chairman  
17 of the Senate County Affairs Committee and one (1) member of that  
18 committee appointed by the chairman; the Chairman of the Senate  
19 Municipalities Committee and one (1) member of that committee  
20 appointed by the chairman; and the Chairman of the Senate Finance  
21 Committee and one (1) member of that committee appointed by the  
22 chairman. The study committee shall elect a chairman and a vice  
23 chairman from its membership.

24 After appointment of the members, the study committee shall  
25 meet on a date designated by the chairman of the study committee  
26 at the New Capitol to organize the study committee and establish  
27 rules for transacting its business and keeping records. A

28 majority of the members of the study committee shall constitute a  
29 quorum at all study committee meetings. An affirmative vote of a  
30 majority of the members present and voting shall be required for  
31 actions taken by the study committee. All members of the study  
32 committee shall be notified in writing of all regular and special  
33 meetings of the study committee, which notices shall be mailed at  
34 least five (5) days before the dates of the meetings.

35 The study committee may establish any subcommittees that it  
36 deems desirable to analyze issues and report to the study  
37 committee with respect to any matter that is within the scope of  
38 this resolution.

39 The study committee shall make a written report of its  
40 findings and recommendations regarding local government revenue  
41 options for funding storm water management systems before February  
42 1, 2001.

43 In carrying out this resolution, the study committee may  
44 utilize the services, facilities and personnel of all departments,  
45 agencies, offices and institutions of the state, including the  
46 state universities and the community and junior colleges.

47 For attending meetings of the study committee, each member  
48 shall be paid, from the Senate Contingent Expense Fund, per diem  
49 compensation in the amount authorized by Section 25-3-69,  
50 Mississippi Code of 1972, and a mileage allowance and an expense  
51 allowance in the amount authorized by Section 5-1-47, Mississippi  
52 Code of 1972. However, no per diem compensation, mileage  
53 allowance or expense allowance shall be paid for attending  
54 meetings of the study committee while the Legislature is in  
55 session.

56 All expenses incurred by and on behalf of the study committee  
57 shall be paid from funds made available by the Senate Management  
58 Committee from the Senate Contingent Expense Fund, from any funds  
59 appropriated for the purpose of this resolution, and from any  
60 grants or contributions made to the study committee for its  
61 purpose.