

By: Representative Robertson

To: County Affairs

HOUSE BILL NO. 1350

1 AN ACT TO EMPOWER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH DRAINAGE  
2 POWERS SIMILAR TO DRAINAGE POWERS OF MUNICIPALITIES; AND FOR  
3 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 SECTION 1. (1) The board of supervisors of any county may  
6 establish, alter and change the channels of streams or other water  
7 courses, and may bridge the same, whenever so to do will promote  
8 the health, comfort and convenience of the inhabitants of the  
9 county.

10 (2) The board of supervisors of any county also may incur  
11 costs and pay necessary expenses in providing labor, materials and  
12 supplies to clean or clear drainage ditches, creeks or channels,  
13 whether on public or private property, and may incur costs and pay  
14 necessary expenses in providing labor, materials and supplies in  
15 order to prevent erosion where such erosion has been caused or  
16 will be caused by such drainage ditches, creeks or channels. This  
17 subsection shall not impose any obligation or duty upon the county  
18 and shall not create any additional rights for the benefit of any  
19 owner of public or private property.

20 (3) This section shall stand repealed on July 1, 2003.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
22 and after July 1, 2001.