

By: Representative Ketchings (By Request)

To: Local and Private
Legislation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1711

1 AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 702, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1971;
2 AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 904, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1973; AS
3 AMENDED BY CHAPTER 991, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1975; AS AMENDED
4 BY CHAPTER 865, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1984; AS AMENDED BY
5 CHAPTER 881, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1990; AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER
6 935, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1991, TO REVISE THE COMPOSITION OF
7 THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NATCHEZ-ADAMS COUNTY ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
8 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE AUTHORITY; AND
9 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

11 SECTION 1. Section 1, Chapter 702, Local and Private Laws of
12 1971, as amended by Chapter 904, Local and Private Laws of 1973;
13 as amended by Chapter 991, Local and Private Laws of 1975; as
14 amended by Chapter 865, Local and Private Laws of 1984; as amended
15 by Chapter 881, Local and Private Laws of 1990; as amended by
16 Chapter 935, Local and Private Laws of 1991, is amended as
17 follows:

18 Section 1. (1) There is hereby continued in existence an
19 organization now known as the "Natchez-Adams County Economic and
20 Community Development Authority," which shall hereafter be known
21 as the Natchez-Adams County * * * Development Authority,
22 hereinafter referred to as the authority.

23 (2) The authority shall be composed of five (5) citizens of
24 Adams County, Mississippi, three (3) of whom shall be appointed by
25 the Board of Supervisors of Adams County, Mississippi, and two (2)
26 of whom shall be appointed by the governing authorities of the
27 city of Natchez. No appointee may hold an elective office and
28 serve on the board of the authority.

29 (3) The term of the initial appointments made by the county
30 shall be for two (2), three (3) and four (4) years, respectively,
31 as designated by the Board of Supervisors of Adams county. The
32 term of the initial appointments made by the city shall be for one
33 (1) and five (5) years, respectively, as designated by the
34 governing authorities of the City of Natchez. All subsequent
35 appointments shall be made in the same manner as the initial
36 appointments for a term of four (4) years or until their
37 successors are appointed and qualified. All appointments made to
38 the authority shall be made within thirty (30) days from and after
39 the effective date of House Bill No. 1711, 2001 Regular Session.

40 (4) In making appointments to this authority, the governing
41 bodies of the city, county and the chamber of commerce shall each
42 strive to maintain a ratio reflective of the population of Adams
43 County, Mississippi, and shall each specifically strive to assure
44 that no racial group have more than sixty percent (60%) nor less
45 than forty percent (40%) representation on the authority.

46 (5) Members of the Natchez-Adams County Development
47 Authority in place before the effective date of this act, shall
48 serve as members of the authority until the appointment and
49 qualification of new authority members pursuant to House Bill No.
50 1711, 2001 Regular Session.

51 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
52 and after its passage.