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MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE                        REGULAR SESSION 2001
By: Senator(s) Dearing, Johnson (38th)            To: Local and Private

SENATE BILL NO. 3214

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 1, CHAPTER 935, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1991, TO CHANGE THE COMPOSITION OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NATCHEZ-ADAMS COUNTY ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE NATCHEZ-ADAMS COUNTY ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; TO SET AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

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

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

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

(3) The term of the initial appointments made by the county shall be for two (2), three (3) and four (4) years, respectively.
as designated by the Board of Supervisors of Adams County. The term of the initial appointments made by the city shall be for one (1) and five (5) years, respectively, as designated by the governing authorities of the City of Natchez. All subsequent appointments shall be made in the same manner as the initial appointments for a term of four (4) years or until their successors are appointed and qualified. All appointments made to the authority shall be made within thirty (30) days from and after the effective date of this act.

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

(5) Members of the Natchez-Adams County Economic and Community Development Authority in place before the effective date of this act shall serve as members of the authority until the appointment and qualification of new authority members pursuant to this act.

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