By: Representative Zuber

To: Local and Private Legislation

HOUSE BILL NO. 282

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS TO RECONSTITUTE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MUNICIPAL PARK COMMISSION; TO PRESCRIBE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS AND LENGTH OF TERMS OF MEMBERS OF THE RECONSTITUTED COMMISSION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 7 **SECTION 1.** (1) The governing authorities of the City of
- 8 Ocean Springs, in their discretion, may reconstitute the
- 9 membership of the municipal park commission initially created
- 10 under the authority of Section 21-37-33, Mississippi Code of 1972.
- 11 The commission, if reconstituted, shall consist of seven (7)
- 12 members elected by the governing authorities with one (1) member
- 13 being elected from each of the seven (7) municipal wards. The
- 14 initial terms of office for members of the reconstituted
- 15 commission shall be one (1) for one (1) year, two (2) for two (2)
- 16 years, three (3) for three (3) years and one (1) for four (4)
- 17 years. The term of office of commission members for all terms
- 18 subsequent to the initial term shall be four (4) years. Any
- 19 member who is serving on the commission at the time that the
- 20 commission is reconstituted, in the discretion of the governing
- 21 authorities of the municipality, may be reappointed to the
- 22 reconstituted commission.
- 23 (2) The reconstituted commission shall have the same
- 24 jurisdiction, shall exercise the same powers and duties and,
- 25 except as otherwise provided under subsection (1) of this section,
- 26 shall be subject to the same provisions of law as park commissions
- 27 created under the authority of Sections 21-37-33 through 21-37-43,
- 28 Mississippi Code of 1972.

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