MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

To: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL NO. 1833 (As Passed the House)

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-65-19, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 1 TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE PRIMARY PLACE OF USE OF THE CUSTOMER OF A 2 3 MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROVIDER IS IN THIS STATE, A SALES TAX EQUAL TO SEVEN PERCENT OF THE GROSS PROCEEDS OF SALES OF SUCH 4 PROVIDER IS LEVIED UPON ALL CHARGES FOR TRANSMISSION OF MESSAGES 5 OR CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN POINTS WITHIN THIS STATE, AND A SALES TAX 6 7 EQUAL TO FIVE AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF THE GROSS PROCEEDS OF SALES OF SUCH PROVIDER IS LEVIED UPON ALL CHARGES TO SUCH CUSTOMER FOR 8 SERVICES THAT <u>ORIGINATE IN ONE STATE AND TERMINATE IN ANY OTHER</u> <u>STATE</u>; TO AMEND SECTION 27-65-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 9 10 PROVIDE THAT THE TERM "WHOLESALE SALES" APPLIES TO A SALE OF 11 TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TAXABLE UNDER SECTION 27-65-19 FOR 12 RESALE IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS WHEN MADE TO A REGULAR 13 TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROVIDER OF SUCH SERVICE WHO IS THE HOLDER OF A 14 PERMIT TO ENGAGE IN BUSINESS, IS LOCATED IN THIS STATE OR IS 15 PROVIDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN THIS STATE; TO AMEND 16 SECTION 27-65-27, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT BY 17 18 MAKING APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO ENGAGE IN BUSINESS, A PERSON AGREES, REGARDLESS OF HIS PRESENCE IN THIS STATE, TO BE SUBJECT TO 19 20 THE JURISDICTION OF THIS STATE FOR PURPOSES OF TAXATION, TO COLLECT AND REMIT ALL TAXES LEVIED IN THE MISSISSIPPI SALES TAX 21 LAW AND TO BE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE MISSISSIPPI SALES 22 TAX LAW; TO AMEND SECTION 27-65-75, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 23 REQUIRE THE SALES TAX COLLECTED ON INTERSTATE MOBILE 2.4 25 TELECOMMUNICATIONS SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AD VALOREM TAX REDUCTION FUND; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 26

27BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:28SECTION 1. Section 27-65-19, Mississippi Code of 1972, is

29 amended as follows:

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27-65-19. (1) (a) Except as otherwise provided in this 30 subsection, upon every person selling to consumers, electricity, 31 current, power, potable water, steam, coal, natural gas, liquefied 32 petroleum gas or other fuel, there is hereby levied, assessed and 33 34 shall be collected a tax equal to seven percent (7%) of the gross income of the business. Provided, gross income from sales to 35 36 consumers of electricity, current, power, natural gas, liquefied 37 petroleum gas or other fuel for residential heating, lighting or other residential noncommercial or nonagricultural use, and sales 38 39 of potable water for residential, noncommercial or nonagricultural H. B. No. 1833 R3/5 02/HR03/R1320PH

40 use shall be excluded from taxable gross income of the business.
41 Provided further, upon every such seller using electricity,
42 current, power, potable water, steam, coal, natural gas, liquefied
43 petroleum gas or other fuel for nonindustrial purposes, there is
44 hereby levied, assessed and shall be collected a tax equal to
45 seven percent (7%) of the cost or value of the product or service
46 used.

There is hereby levied, assessed and shall be (b) 47 collected a tax equal to one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) of the 48 gross income of the business when the electricity, current, power, 49 50 steam, coal, natural gas, liquefied petroleum gas or other fuel is sold to or used by a manufacturer, custom processor or public 51 52 service company for industrial purposes, which shall include that used to generate electricity, to operate an electrical 53 distribution or transmission system, to operate pipeline 54 compressor or pumping stations or to operate railroad locomotives; 55 provided, however, that: 56

57 (i) From and after July 1, 2000, through June 30,
58 2001, sales of fuel used to produce electric power by a company
59 primarily engaged in the business of producing, generating or
60 distributing electric power for sale shall be taxed at the rate of
61 one and one-eighth percent (1.125%);

(ii) From and after July 1, 2001, through June 30,
2002, sales of fuel used to produce electric power by a company
primarily engaged in the business of producing, generating or
distributing electric power for sale shall be taxed at the rate of
three-fourths of one percent (0.75%);

(iii) From and after July 1, 2002, through June
30, 2003, sales of fuel used to produce electric power by a
company primarily engaged in the business of producing, generating
or distributing electric power for sale shall be taxed at the rate
of three-eighths of one percent (0.375%);

H. B. No. 1833 02/HR03/R1320PH PAGE 2 (BS\LH) (iv) From and after July 1, 2003, sales of fuel used to produce electric power by a company primarily engaged in the business of producing, generating or distributing electric power for sale shall be exempt from sales tax as provided in Section 27-65-107.

The one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) industrial 77 (C) rate provided for in this subsection shall also apply when the 78 79 electricity, current, power, steam, coal, natural gas, liquefied petroleum gas or other fuel is sold to a producer or processor for 80 use directly in the production of poultry or poultry products, the 81 production of livestock and livestock products, the production of 82 domesticated fish and domesticated fish products, the production 83 84 of marine aquaculture products, the production of plants or food by commercial horticulturists, the processing of milk and milk 85 products, the processing of poultry and livestock feed, and the 86 irrigation of farm crops. 87

(d) The one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) rate provided
for in this subsection shall not apply to sales of fuel for
automobiles, trucks, truck-tractors, buses, farm tractors or
airplanes.

Upon every person operating a telegraph or 92 (e) 93 telephone business for the transmission of messages or conversations between points within this state, there is hereby 94 levied, assessed and shall be collected a tax equal to seven 95 percent (7%) of the gross income of such business, with no 96 deduction or allowance for any part of an intrastate rate charge 97 98 because of routing across a state line. Charges by one telecommunications provider to another telecommunications provider 99 holding a permit issued under Section 27-65-27 for services that 100 are resold by such other telecommunications provider, including, 101 but not limited to, access charges, shall not be subject to the 102 103 tax levied pursuant to this paragraph (e). However, any sale of a 104 prepaid telephone calling card or prepaid authorization number, or

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both, shall be deemed to be the sale of tangible personal property 105 106 subject only to such taxes imposed by law on the sale of tangible personal property. If the sale of a prepaid telephone calling 107 108 card or prepaid authorization number does not take place at the 109 vendor's place of business, it shall be conclusively determined to take place at the customer's shipping address. 110 The reauthorization of a prepaid telephone calling card or a prepaid 111 authorization number shall be conclusively determined to take 112 place at the customer's billing address. 113

114 (f) Upon every person operating a telegraph or 115 telecommunications business for the transmission of messages or conversations originating in this state or terminating in this 116 117 state via interstate telecommunications, which are charged to the customer's service address in this state, regardless of where such 118 amount is billed or paid, there is hereby levied, assessed and 119 shall be collected a tax equal to five and one-half percent 120 121 (5-1/2) of the gross income received by such business from such 122 interstate telecommunications. However, a person, upon proof that he has paid a tax in another state on such event, shall be allowed 123 124 a credit against the tax imposed in this paragraph (f) on interstate telecommunications charges to the extent that the 125 126 amount of such tax is properly due and actually paid in such other state and to the extent that the rate of sales tax imposed by and 127 paid to such other state does not exceed the rate of sales tax 128 129 imposed by this paragraph (f). Charges by one telecommunications provider to another telecommunications provider holding a permit 130 issued under Section 27-65-27 for services that are resold by such 131 other telecommunications provider, including, but not limited to, 132 access charges, shall not be subject to the tax levied pursuant to 133 this paragraph (f). This paragraph (f) shall not apply to persons 134 providing mobile telecommunications services that are taxed 135 136 pursuant to paragraph (g) of this subsection.

H. B. No. 1833 02/HR03/R1320PH PAGE 4 (BS\LH) 137 (g) (i) Upon every person providing mobile 138 telecommunications services in this state there is hereby levied, assessed and shall be collected: 139 140 1. A tax equal to seven percent (7%) of the 141 gross income received on such services from all charges for 142 transmission of messages or conversations between points within any single state as they shall be construed to be within this 143 144 state; and 2. A tax equal to five and one-half percent 145 (5-1/2%) on the gross income received on such services from all 146 147 charges for services that originate in one (1) state and terminate 148 in any other state. 149 (ii) Subject to the provisions of 4 USC 116(c), the tax levied by this paragraph (g) shall apply only to those 150 charges for mobile telecommunications services subject to tax 151 152 which are deemed to be provided to a customer by a home service provider pursuant to 4 USC 117(a), if the customer's place of 153 154 primary use is located within this state. (iii) A home service provider shall be responsible 155 156 for obtaining and maintaining the customer's place of primary use. The home service provider shall be entitled to rely on the 157 applicable residential or business street address supplied by such 158 159 customer, if the home service provider's reliance is in good faith; and the home service provider shall be held harmless from 160 161 liability for any additional taxes based on a different determination of the place of primary use for taxes that are 162 163 customarily passed on to the customer as a separate itemized charge. A home service provider shall be allowed to treat the 164 address used for purposes of the tax levied by this chapter for 165 166 any customer under a service contract in effect on August 1, 2002, 167 as that customer's place of primary use for the remaining term of 168 such service contract or agreement, excluding any extension or 169 renewal of such service contract or agreement. Month-to-month H. B. No. 1833

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services provided after the expiration of a contract shall be 170 171 treated as an extension or renewal of such contract or agreement. 172 If the commissioner determines that the address used by a 173 home service provider as a customer's place of primary use does 174 not meet the definition of the term "place of primary use" as 175 defined in this paragraph (g), the commissioner shall give binding notice to the home service provider to change the place of primary 176 use on a prospective basis from the date of notice of 177 178 determination; however, the customer shall have the opportunity, prior to such notice of determination, to demonstrate that such 179 180 address satisfies such definition. The commission has the right to collect any taxes due 181 182 directly from the home service provider's customer that has failed 183 to provide an address that meets the definition of the term "place of primary use" which resulted in a failure of tax otherwise due 184 being remitted. 185 186 (iv) For purposes of this paragraph (g): 187 1. "Place of primary use" means the street 188 address representative of where the customer's use of mobile 189 telecommunications services primarily occurs, which shall be 190 either the residential street address of the customer or the 191 primary business street address of the customer. 2. "Customer" means the person or entity that 192 193 contracts with the home service provider for mobile 194 telecommunications services. For determining the place of primary 195 use, in those instances in which the end user of mobile telecommunications services is not the contracting party, the end 196 197 user of the mobile telecommunications services shall be deemed the customer. The term "customer" shall not include a reseller of 198 199 mobile telecommunications service, or a serving carrier under an 200 arrangement to serve the customer outside the home service 201 provider's licensed service area.

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3. "Home service provider" means the

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facilities-based carrier or reseller with which the customer

contracts for the provision of mobile telecommunications services. 204

205 (2) Persons making sales to consumers of electricity, 206 current, power, natural gas, liquefied petroleum gas or other fuel for residential heating, lighting or other residential 207 208 noncommercial or nonagricultural use or sales of potable water for 209 residential, noncommercial or nonagricultural use shall indicate 210 on each statement rendered to customers that such charges are 211 exempt from sales taxes.

212 (3) There is hereby levied, assessed and shall be paid on transportation charges on shipments moving between points within 213 214 this state when paid directly by the consumer, a tax equal to the rate applicable to the sale of the property being transported. 215 Such tax shall be reported and paid directly to the State Tax 216 217 Commission by the consumer.

SECTION 2. Section 27-65-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 218 219 amended as follows:

27-65-5. "Wholesaler," "jobber" or "distributor" means a 220 221 person doing a regularly organized wholesale or jobbing business, known to the trade as such, and selling to licensed retail dealers 222 223 or other wholesalers for resale in the regular course of business. This classification has no bearing on rates of tax due under this 224 chapter, each sale or part of sales being taxable or exempt 225 226 depending upon the class in which it falls.

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"Wholesale sales" shall apply to:

228 (1)A sale of tangible personal property taxable under Sections 27-65-17 and 27-65-25 for resale in the regular line of 229 business, when made in good faith to a retailer regularly selling 230 or renting that property and when said dealer is licensed under 231 Section 27-65-27 of this chapter if located in this state. 232

233 A sale of a service taxable under Section 27-65-23 for resale in the regular line of business, when made to a regular dealer in 234

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that service and when said dealer is licensed under Section 236 27-65-27 of this chapter if located in this state, or a charge for 237 custom processing rendered upon merchandise for resale or rental 238 by a dealer licensed under Section 27-65-27.

A sale of telecommunications services taxable under Section 240 27-65-19 for resale in the regular course of business, when made 241 to a regular telecommunications provider of such service and such 242 provider is the holder of a permit issued under Section 27-65-27 243 and is located in this state or is providing telecommunications 244 services in this state.

Wholesale sale" shall not include a transaction whereby property is delivered to and collection for same is made from a person that will consume the property rather than resell it even though the billing is to a retailer.

Provided, however, that when a taxpayer sells merchandise and has paid a rate equal to the retail rate of tax on the purchase price to a wholesaler, the taxpayer may take credit for the tax paid to the wholesaler from the tax due on the sale of the merchandise specifically included in his return to the commissioner.

255 A sale of tangible personal property (except sand (2) 256 or gravel when sold by the producer thereof) or service which is 257 to become a component part of a structure or improvement erected, constructed, repaired, or made only when such sale is made to a 258 259 contractor taxable under Section 27-65-21 of this chapter on the contract in which the component materials are to be used; and only 260 when the contractor holds a material purchase certificate as 261 required by Section 27-65-21 of this chapter. 262

(3) A sale of boxes, crates, cartons, cans, bottles and
other packaging materials to a retailer or retail custom processor
for use as a container to accompany goods or services sold by said
retailer or custom processor where possession thereof will pass to

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(4) The value of soft drinks and syrup withdrawn from
the business by a manufacturer for sale at retail and food or
drink withdrawn by a manufacturer or wholesaler to be sold through
full service vending machines for human consumption.

The quantity of property or services sold or the price at which sold is immaterial in determining whether or not a sale is at wholesale. Sales may be classed as wholesale, or exempt, only if evidenced by proper and adequate records and invoices to substantiate the wholesale rate or exemption from the tax on each individual sale.

The substantiation of the wholesale sales must be by an 279 280 invoice clearly indicating the date, the name and address of the vendor and vendee, the items sold and the price thereof. 281 Such proof of wholesale sales shall be filed in chronological order and 282 thus preserved for a period of three (3) years from the date of 283 284 sale. These records shall be subject to inspection by the commissioner and his agents, at their discretion, for the 285 286 verification of returns filed by either the wholesaler or his 287 customers.

The substantiation of an exempt sale must be by an invoice containing the same information as required for the wholesale sales. This requirement shall apply equally to a retailer making wholesale or exempt sales.

Any failure to comply with all the above requirements shall subject the violator to the retail rate of tax on all such violations.

295 **SECTION 3.** Section 27-65-27, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 296 amended as follows:

297 27-65-27. <u>(1)</u> Any person who engages, or who intends to 298 engage, in any business or activity which will subject such person 299 to a privilege tax imposed by this chapter, shall apply to the

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commissioner for a permit to engage in and to conduct any business 300 or activity upon the condition that he shall pay the tax accruing 301 to the State of Mississippi under the provisions of this chapter, 302 303 and shall keep adequate records of such business or activity as 304 required by this chapter. By making an application for a permit issued pursuant to this section, a person agrees, regardless of 305 his presence in this state, to: 306

(a) Be subject to the jurisdiction of this state for 307 308 purposes of taxation;

(b) Collect and remit all taxes levied under this 309 310 chapter on the type of business or activity to be conducted by the 311 applicant;

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(c) Be subject to all the provisions of this chapter. (2) Upon receipt of such permit, the applicant shall be duly 313 licensed under this chapter to engage in and conduct such business 314 or activity. Said permit shall continue in force so long as the 315 person to whom it is issued shall continue in the same business at 316 317 the same location, unless revoked by the commissioner for cause.

The commissioner shall require of every person desiring 318 (3) 319 to engage in business within this state who maintains no permanent place of business within this state, of every person desiring to 320 321 engage in the business of making sales of mobile homes, a cash bond or an approved surety bond in an amount sufficient to cover 322 twice the estimated tax liability for a period of three (3) 323 324 months. Provided, however, that the bond shall in no case be less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and that the tax may be prepaid 325 in lieu of filing bond if the amount is approved by the 326 commissioner. This bond shall be filed with the commissioner 327 prior to the issuance of a permit to do business and before any 328 such person may engage in business within this state. Failure to 329 comply with the provision will subject such person to the 330 331 penalties provided by this chapter.

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The commissioner is hereby authorized to revoke the 332 (4) permit of any person failing to comply with any of the provisions 333 of this chapter, after giving to the person holding such permit 334 335 ten (10) days' notice of the intention of the commissioner to 336 revoke such license. Unless good cause be shown within said ten (10) days why such permit should not be revoked, the commissioner 337 may revoke such permit, and revocation of such permit, or engaging 338 or continuing in business after such permit is revoked, shall 339 subject such person to all the penalties imposed by this chapter. 340

Any person liable for the tax who fails to obtain a 341 (5) 342 permit from the commissioner, or who continues in business after 343 such permit has been revoked, or who fails to make his returns for taxation as provided, or who fails to keep adequate records and 344 345 invoices provided by this chapter, or who fails or refuses to permit inspection of such records, or who fails to pay any taxes 346 due hereunder, shall forfeit his rights to do business in this 347 state until he complies with all the provisions of this chapter 348 349 and until he enters into a bond, with sureties, to be approved by 350 the commissioner, in an amount not to exceed twice the amount of 351 all taxes estimated to become due under this chapter by said 352 person for any period of three (3) months, conditioned to comply with the provisions of this chapter, and pay all taxes legally due 353 354 by him.

If any person is engaged in or continuing in this state 355 (6) 356 in any business or activity without obtaining a permit, or after such permit has been revoked, or without filing a required bond, 357 or without keeping and allowing inspection of all records required 358 359 by this chapter, or without making a return, or returns, and without paying all taxes due by him hereunder, it shall be the 360 361 duty of the commissioner to proceed by injunction to prevent the continuance of said business. Any temporary injunction enjoining 362 363 the continuance of such business shall be granted without notice 364 by a judge or chancellor now authorized to grant injunctions.

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365 **SECTION 4.** Section 27-65-75, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 366 amended as follows:

367 27-65-75. On or before the fifteenth day of each month, the 368 revenue collected under the provisions of this chapter during the 369 preceding month shall be paid and distributed as follows:

On or before August 15, 1992, and each succeeding month 370 (1) thereafter through July 15, 1993, eighteen percent (18%) of the 371 372 total sales tax revenue collected during the preceding month under 373 the provisions of this chapter, except that collected under the provisions of Sections 27-65-15, 27-65-19(3) and 27-65-21, on 374 375 business activities within a municipal corporation shall be 376 allocated for distribution to such municipality and paid to such municipal corporation. On or before August 15, 1993, and each 377 succeeding month thereafter, eighteen and one-half percent 378 379 (18-1/2%) of the total sales tax revenue collected during the preceding month under the provisions of this chapter, except that 380 collected under the provisions of Sections 27-65-15, 27-65-19(3) 381 382 and 27-65-21, on business activities within a municipal corporation shall be allocated for distribution to such 383 384 municipality and paid to such municipal corporation.

A municipal corporation, for the purpose of distributing the tax under this subsection, shall mean and include all incorporated cities, towns and villages.

Monies allocated for distribution and credited to a municipal corporation under this subsection may be pledged as security for any loan received by the municipal corporation for the purpose of capital improvements as authorized under Section 57-1-303, or loans as authorized under Section 57-44-7, or water systems improvements as authorized under Section 41-3-16.

In any county having a county seat which is not an incorporated municipality, the distribution provided hereunder shall be made as though the county seat was an incorporated municipality; however, the distribution to such municipality shall

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398 be paid to the county treasury wherein the municipality is located 399 and such funds shall be used for road, bridge and street 400 construction or maintenance therein.

401 (2) On or before September 15, 1987, and each succeeding 402 month thereafter, from the revenue collected under this chapter during the preceding month One Million One Hundred Twenty-five 403 404 Thousand Dollars (\$1,125,000.00) shall be allocated for 405 distribution to municipal corporations as defined under subsection 406 (1) of this section in the proportion that the number of gallons of gasoline and diesel fuel sold by distributors to consumers and 407 408 retailers in each such municipality during the preceding fiscal year bears to the total gallons of gasoline and diesel fuel sold 409 by distributors to consumers and retailers in municipalities 410 statewide during the preceding fiscal year. The State Tax 411 Commission shall require all distributors of gasoline and diesel 412 413 fuel to report to the commission monthly the total number of gallons of gasoline and diesel fuel sold by them to consumers and 414 415 retailers in each municipality during the preceding month. The State Tax Commission shall have the authority to promulgate such 416 417 rules and regulations as is necessary to determine the number of gallons of gasoline and diesel fuel sold by distributors to 418 419 consumers and retailers in each municipality. In determining the percentage allocation of funds under this subsection for the 420 fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987, and ending June 30, 1988, the 421 422 State Tax Commission may consider gallons of gasoline and diesel fuel sold for a period of less than one (1) fiscal year. For the 423 purposes of this subsection, the term "fiscal year" means the 424 fiscal year beginning July 1 of a year. 425

(3) On or before September 15, 1987, and on or before the fifteenth day of each succeeding month, until the date specified in Section 65-39-35, the proceeds derived from contractors' taxes levied under Section 27-65-21 on contracts for the construction or reconstruction of highways designated under the Four-Lane Highway

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Program created under Section 65-3-97 shall, except as otherwise provided in Section 31-17-127, be deposited into the State Treasury to the credit of the State Highway Fund to be used to fund such Four-Lane Highway Program. The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall provide to the State Tax Commission such information as is necessary to determine the amount of proceeds to be distributed under this subsection.

On or before August 15, 1994, and on or before the (4) 438 fifteenth day of each succeeding month through July 15, 1999, from 439 the proceeds of gasoline, diesel fuel or kerosene taxes as 440 441 provided in Section 27-5-101(a) (ii)1, Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00) shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the 442 credit of a special fund designated as the "State Aid Road Fund," 443 444 created by Section 65-9-17. On or before August 15, 1999, and on or before the fifteenth day of each succeeding month, from the 445 total amount of the proceeds of gasoline, diesel fuel or kerosene 446 taxes apportioned by Section 27-5-101(a)(ii)1, Four Million 447 448 Dollars (\$4,000,000.00) or an amount equal to twenty-three and one-fourth percent (23.25%) of such funds, whichever is the 449 greater amount, shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the 450 451 credit of the "State Aid Road Fund," created by Section 65-9-17. 452 Such funds shall be pledged to pay the principal of and interest on state aid road bonds heretofore issued under Sections 19-9-51 453 through 19-9-77, in lieu of and in substitution for the funds 454 455 heretofore allocated to counties under this section. Such funds may not be pledged for the payment of any state aid road bonds 456 issued after April 1, 1981; however, this prohibition against the 457 pledging of any such funds for the payment of bonds shall not 458 459 apply to any bonds for which intent to issue such bonds has been 460 published, for the first time, as provided by law prior to March 29, 1981. From the amount of taxes paid into the special fund 461 462 pursuant to this subsection and subsection (9) of this section, 463 there shall be first deducted and paid the amount necessary to pay

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469 (a) One-third (1/3) shall be allocated to all counties470 in equal shares;

(b) One-third (1/3) shall be allocated to counties
based on the proportion that the total number of rural road miles
in a county bears to the total number of rural road miles in all
counties of the state; and

(c) One-third (1/3) shall be allocated to counties
based on the proportion that the rural population of the county
bears to the total rural population in all counties of the state,
according to the latest federal decennial census.

For the purposes of this subsection, the term "gasoline, diesel fuel or kerosene taxes" means such taxes as defined in paragraph (f) of Section 27-5-101.

The amount of funds allocated to any county under this 482 483 subsection for any fiscal year after fiscal year 1994 shall not be 484 less than the amount allocated to such county for fiscal year 485 1994. Monies allocated to a county from the State Aid Road Fund for fiscal year 1995 or any fiscal year thereafter that exceed the 486 amount of funds allocated to that county from the State Aid Road 487 488 Fund for fiscal year 1994, first must be expended by the county for replacement or rehabilitation of bridges on the state aid road 489 490 system that have a sufficiency rating of less than twenty-five (25), according to National Bridge Inspection standards before 491 such monies may be approved for expenditure by the State Aid Road 492 493 Engineer on other projects that qualify for the use of state aid 494 road funds.

Any reference in the general laws of this state or the Mississippi Code of 1972 to Section 27-5-105 shall mean and be

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497 construed to refer and apply to subsection (4) of Section 498 27-65-75.

(5) One Million Six Hundred Sixty-six Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-six Dollars (\$1,666,666.00) each month shall be paid into the special fund known as the "State Public School Building Fund" created and existing under the provisions of Sections 37-47-1 through 37-47-67. Such payments into said fund are to be made on the last day of each succeeding month hereafter.

(6) An amount each month beginning August 15, 1983, through
November 15, 1986, as specified in Section 6 of Chapter 542, Laws
of 1983, shall be paid into the special fund known as the
Correctional Facilities Construction Fund created in Section 6 of
Chapter 542, Laws of 1983.

On or before August 15, 1992, and each succeeding month 510 (7) thereafter through July 15, 2000, two and two hundred sixty-six 511 one-thousandths percent (2.266%) of the total sales tax revenue 512 collected during the preceding month under the provisions of this 513 514 chapter, except that collected under the provisions of Section 27-65-17(2) shall be deposited by the commission into the School 515 516 Ad Valorem Tax Reduction Fund created pursuant to Section 37-61-35. On or before August 15, 2000, and each succeeding month 517 518 thereafter, two and two hundred sixty-six one-thousandths percent (2.266%) of the total sales tax revenue collected during the 519 preceding month under the provisions of this chapter, except that 520 521 collected under the provisions of Section 27-65-17(2), shall be deposited into the School Ad Valorem Tax Reduction Fund created 522 under Section 37-61-35 until such time that the total amount 523 deposited into the fund during a fiscal year equals Forty-two 524 Million Dollars (\$42,000,000.00). Thereafter, the amounts 525 526 diverted under this subsection (7) during the fiscal year in excess of Forty-two Million Dollars (\$42,000,000.00) shall be 527 528 deposited into the Education Enhancement Fund created under 529 Section 37-61-33 for appropriation by the Legislature as other

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(8) On or before August 15, 1992, and each succeeding month
thereafter, nine and seventy-three one-thousandths percent
(9.073%) of the total sales tax revenue collected during the
preceding month under the provisions of this chapter, except that
collected under the provisions of Section 27-65-17(2) shall be
deposited into the Education Enhancement Fund created pursuant to
Section 37-61-33.

(9) On or before August 15, 1994, and each succeeding month
thereafter, from the revenue collected under this chapter during
the preceding month, Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars
(\$250,000.00) shall be paid into the State Aid Road Fund.

(10) On or before August 15, 1994, and each succeeding month thereafter through August 15, 1995, from the revenue collected under this chapter during the preceding month, Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) shall be deposited into the Motor Vehicle Ad Valorem Tax Reduction Fund established in Section 27-51-105.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to 548 (11)the contrary, on or before February 15, 1995, and each succeeding 549 550 month thereafter, the sales tax revenue collected during the 551 preceding month under the provisions of Section 27-65-17(2) and 552 the corresponding levy in Section 27-65-23 on the rental or lease of private carriers of passengers and light carriers of property 553 554 as defined in Section 27-51-101 shall be deposited, without diversion, into the Motor Vehicle Ad Valorem Tax Reduction Fund 555 established in Section 27-51-105. 556

(12) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the contrary, on or before August 15, 1995, and each succeeding month thereafter, the sales tax revenue collected during the preceding month under the provisions of Section 27-65-17(1) on retail sales of private carriers of passengers and light carriers of property, as defined in Section 27-51-101 and the corresponding

H. B. No. 1833 02/HR03/R1320PH PAGE 17 (BS\LH) 563 levy in Section 27-65-23 on the rental or lease of these vehicles, 564 shall be deposited, after diversion, into the Motor Vehicle Ad 565 Valorem Tax Reduction Fund established in Section 27-51-105.

566 (13) On or before July 15, 1994, and on or before the 567 fifteenth day of each succeeding month thereafter, that portion of the avails of the tax imposed in Section 27-65-22, which is 568 569 derived from activities held on the Mississippi state fairgrounds 570 complex, shall be paid into a special fund hereby created in the 571 State Treasury and shall be expended pursuant to legislative appropriations solely to defray the costs of repairs and 572 573 renovation at such Trade Mart and Coliseum.

(14) On or before August 15, 1998, and each succeeding month thereafter through July 15, 2005, that portion of the avails of the tax imposed in Section 27-65-23 which is derived from sales by cotton compresses or cotton warehouses and which would otherwise be paid into the General Fund, shall be deposited in an amount not to exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) into the special fund created pursuant to Section 69-37-39.

(15) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the contrary, on or before September 15, 2000, and each succeeding month thereafter, the sales tax revenue collected during the preceding month under the provisions of Section 27-65-19(1)(f) and (g)(i)2, shall be deposited, without diversion, into the Telecommunications Ad Valorem Tax Reduction Fund established in Section 27-38-7.

588 (16) On or before August 15, 2000, and each succeeding month 589 thereafter, the sales tax revenue collected during the preceding 590 month under the provisions of this chapter on the gross proceeds 591 of sales of a project as defined in Section 57-30-1 shall be 592 deposited, after all diversions except the diversion provided for 593 in subsection (1) of this section, into the Sales Tax Incentive 594 Fund created in Section 57-30-3.

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595 (17) The remainder of the amounts collected under the 596 provisions of this chapter shall be paid into the State Treasury 597 to the credit of the General Fund.

It shall be the duty of the municipal officials of any 598 (18) 599 municipality which expands its limits, or of any community which incorporates as a municipality, to notify the commissioner of such 600 601 action thirty (30) days before the effective date. Failure to so notify the commissioner shall cause such municipality to forfeit 602 the revenue which it would have been entitled to receive during 603 this period of time when the commissioner had no knowledge of the 604 605 action. If any funds have been erroneously disbursed to any 606 municipality or any overpayment of tax is recovered by the taxpayer, the commissioner may make correction and adjust the 607 608 error or overpayment with such municipality by withholding the necessary funds from any subsequent payment to be made to the 609 610 municipality.

611 **SECTION 5.** Sections 1 and 4 of this act shall take effect 612 and be in force from and after August 1, 2002. The remainder of 613 this act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 614 2002.