HOUSE BILL NO. 784

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 57-75-29, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE REPEALER ON THE PROVISION OF LAW THAT CREATES THE YELLOW CREEK REGIONAL PROJECT BOARD; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 57-75-29, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

57-75-29. (1) There is hereby created the Yellow Creek Regional Project Board which shall consist of nine (9) members appointed as follows:

(a) Three (3) members who are residents of Tishomingo County, one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the Governor, one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of Tishomingo County;

(b) Two (2) members who are residents of Alcorn County, one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of Alcorn County;

(c) Two (2) members who are residents of Itawamba County, one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of Itawamba County; and

(d) Two (2) members who are residents of Prentiss County, one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of Prentiss County.
(2) Members of the Yellow Creek Regional Project Board shall serve for a term concurrent with the term of the appointing authority and until their successor is appointed. Any vacancy on the board shall be filled by appointment of the original appointing authority for the remainder of the unexpired term. Members of the board shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, as provided in Section 25-3-41 for state officers and employees. The board shall operate under the rules and regulations of the authority and shall meet at such times as determined by the authority. The members of the board shall select a chairman and a vice chairman from among their membership.

(3) Any proposal by the authority regarding the development, operation and planning of the project described in Section 57-75-5(f)(vi) shall be presented to the Yellow Creek Regional Project Board prior to its implementation. The authority shall not implement any proposal regarding the development, operation and planning of the project if such proposal is rejected by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the membership of the Yellow Creek Regional Project Board.

(4) The Yellow Creek Regional Project Board shall have the authority to examine monthly expense reports regarding expenditures made from the Yellow Creek Project Area Fund.

(5) This section shall stand repealed from and after June 30, 2004.

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