

By: Representative Masterson

To: Local and Private
Legislation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1648

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF
2 VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI, TO EXECUTE PROJECT COOPERATION AGREEMENTS
3 WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, FOR THE
4 CONSTRUCTION OF PROJECTS SPONSORED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE
5 UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND TO HOLD AND SAVE THE
6 UNITED STATES FREE FROM DAMAGES WHICH ARE NOT CAUSED BY THE
7 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OR ITS CONTRACTORS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

9 **SECTION 1.** (1) The governing authorities of the City of
10 Vicksburg, Mississippi, in their discretion, may execute project
11 cooperation agreements with the United States Army Corps of
12 Engineers to provide land, easements and/or rights-of-way
13 necessary for the construction of various projects funded in whole
14 or in part by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, and to
15 maintain and operate such projects after completion of
16 construction of the projects. Such projects may include, but are
17 not limited to, the construction of water wells and the
18 development of a United States Army Corps of Engineer's Site
19 Interpretive Museum.

20 (2) The City of Vicksburg shall hold and save the United
21 States free from damages which are not caused by the federal
22 government or its contractors during the construction of the
23 projects.

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

