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By: Senator(s) Nunnelee, Canon

SENATE BILL NO. 2813

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

SECTION 1. Section 19-3-101, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

1 - 3 19-3-101. (1) The board of supervisors of any county in this state may, by order duly entered on its minutes, join with any other county or counties in this state to establish a county cooperative service district for the purpose of instituting planning and mutual cooperation among counties to improve the delivery of services to, and the provision of benefits for, all citizens of participating counties by the joint financing, construction and administration of governmental services and facilities.

(2) Any power, authority or responsibility which may be lawfully exercised by a county, except for the imposition of taxes may be exercised jointly by participating counties through the board of commissioners of a county cooperative service district.
hereinafter in Sections 19-3-101 through 19-3-115, referred to as the "district," unless in a resolution of a board of supervisors creating the district the exercise of a particular power is specifically excluded. The district shall have authority to prepare or have prepared a water resources study or other environmental studies; however, any action by the district which will have an impact upon groundwater resources shall only be implemented consistent with an official statewide water management plan or with the approval of the Commission on Environmental Quality.

(3) If a county cooperative service district establishes a garbage, rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal service, the district may provide the service for residential generators only and may not provide the service for industrial or commercial generators except in a participating county in which there is no private company or business to provide garbage, rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal services to industrial or commercial generators. In a participating county in which there is no private company or business to provide garbage, rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal services to industrial or commercial generators, the district shall collect and dispose of residential garbage, rubbish and solid waste separate and apart from industrial or commercial garbage, rubbish and solid waste and shall not mix or combine residential garbage, rubbish and solid waste with industrial or commercial garbage, rubbish and solid waste.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2003.