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SENATE BILL NO. 2988 (As Sent to Governor)

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION 1 BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR 2 3 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, STATE AGENCIES AND COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES; TO AUTHORIZE PREPLANNING OF CERTAIN FACILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR 4 5 THE AYERS SETTLEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND; TO AUTHORIZE 6 7 PREPLANNING OF CERTAIN FACILITIES; TO AMEND SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 23, CHAPTER 550, LAWS OF 2002, TO REVISE THE USE OF PROCEEDS OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS ISSUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVEMENTS AT 8 9 ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY, JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY AND MISSISSIPPI 10 11 STATE UNIVERSITY AND IMPROVEMENTS TO NESHOBA COUNTY LAKE; TO REVISE THE USE OF BONDS ISSUED FOR PLANNING OF A FACILITY TO HOUSE 12 THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY; TO REVISE THE USE OF BONDS ISSUED FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY; TO 13 14 REQUIRE THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE 15 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING REGARDING THE DISPERSAL OF BOND 16 PROCEEDS ON THOSE PROJECTS RELATED TO THE UNIVERSITIES UNDER ITS MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL; TO AMEND SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 23, CHAPTER 17 18 600, LAWS OF 2001, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 550, LAWS OF 2002, TO 19 20 REVISE THE USE OF PROCEEDS OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS ISSUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVEMENTS AT DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY; 21 TO REQUIRE THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE 22 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING REGARDING THE DISPERSAL OF BOND 23 PROCEEDS ON THOSE PROJECTS RELATED TO THE UNIVERSITIES UNDER ITS 24 25 MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL; TO AMEND SECTIONS 43 THROUGH 59, CHAPTER 600, LAWS OF 2001, TO REVISE THE USE OF PROCEEDS OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS ISSUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVEMENTS TO 26 27 MISSISSIPPI VETERANS MEMORIAL STADIUM; TO AMEND CHAPTER 583, LAWS 28 OF 2000, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 550, LAWS OF 2002, TO REQUIRE THE 29 APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER 30 31 LEARNING REGARDING THE DISPERSAL OF BOND PROCEEDS ON THOSE 32 PROJECTS RELATED TO THE UNIVERSITIES UNDER ITS MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL; TO AMEND SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 20, CHAPTER 595, LAWS OF 1999, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 361, LAWS OF 2000, TO REVISE THE USE OF PROCEEDS OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS ISSUED FOR THE 33 34 35 PURPOSE OF IMPROVEMENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER; TO AMEND CHAPTER 524, LAWS OF 1995; CHAPTER 560, LAWS OF 1998, AS AMENDED 36 37 BY CHAPTER 600, LAWS OF 2001; CHAPTER 595, LAWS OF 1998, AS 38 AMENDED BY CHAPTER 583, LAWS OF 2000; AND CHAPTER 522, LAWS OF 39 1999, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 583, LAWS OF 2000, TO DELETE 40 PROVISIONS THAT REQUIRE STATE AGENCIES OCCUPYING FACILITIES FOR WHICH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS WERE UNDERTAKEN USING THE PROCEEDS OF 41 42 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS ISSUED PURSUANT TO SUCH CHAPTERS, TO PAY 43 RENT IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON 44 BONDS ISSUED BY SUCH CHAPTER FOR SUCH FACILITIES, AND WHICH PROVIDE FOR THE AMOUNT OF RENT TO BE PAID BY SUCH AGENCIES AFTER 45 46 SUCH BONDS ARE RETIRED; TO AMEND CHAPTER 578, LAWS OF 1999, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 582, LAWS OF 2000, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 550, LAWS OF 2002, TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS 47 48 49 THAT MAY BE ISSUED FOR THE 1999 HANCOCK COUNTY PORT AND HARBOR COMMISSION AND STENNIS SPACE CENTER IMPROVEMENT FUND; TO AMEND SECTIONS 18 THROUGH 32, CHAPTER 532, LAWS OF 1995, TO INCREASE THE 50 51 52 S. B. No. 2988 R3/5 03/SS02/R1164SG

53 AMOUNT FROM \$3,000,000.00 TO \$10,000,000.00 THE AMOUNT OF REVENUE BONDS THAT THE PEARL RIVER VALLEY WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT MAY ISSUE 54 55 TO DEFRAY THE COST OF ANY REVENUE-PRODUCING PUBLIC PARKS AND PUBLIC RECREATION FACILITIES OWNED BY SUCH DISTRICT; TO AUTHORIZE 56 THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO ISSUE VARIABLE RATE DEBT AND/OR ENTER 57 58 INTO VARIABLE RATE DEBT INSTRUMENTS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 59 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 60 SECTION 1. As used in Sections 1 through 24 of this act, the 61 following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the 62 context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date
of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated
initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon
from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate,
compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the
approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same
maturity.

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(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

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(c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

SECTION 2. (1) 72 (a) A special fund to be designated as the "2003 IHL and State Agencies Capital Improvements Fund" is created 73 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 74 75 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 76 77 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 78 79 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

80 (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 81 82 with the approval of the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning on those projects related to the universities 83 under its management and control, to pay the costs of capital 84 improvements, renovation and/or repair of existing facilities, 85 86 furnishings and/or equipping facilities for public facilities for 87 agencies or their successors as hereinafter described:

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PROJECT

AMOUNT

| 89 | | ALLOCATED |
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| 90 | INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING $\$$ | 63,760,000.00 |
| 91 | Alcorn State University\$ | 2,500,000.00 |
| 92 | Complete renovation of the baseball | |
| 93 | field, to include dugouts, bleachers, | |
| 94 | concession stands, backstops | |
| 95 | and fencing\$ 500,000.00 | |
| 96 | Repair and renovation of campus | |
| 97 | buildings and facilities and repair, | |
| 98 | renovation, replacement and improvement | |
| 99 | of campus infrastructure \$ 2,000,000.00 | |
| 100 | Delta State University\$ | 6,200,000.00 |
| 101 | Repair, renovation, replacement | |
| 102 | and improvement of campus | |
| 103 | infrastructure, including | |
| 104 | repairs and renovations of | |
| 105 | the Chadwick-Dickson | |
| 106 | Building \$ 3,000,000.00 | |
| 107 | Repair, renovation and | |
| 108 | restoration of the | |
| 109 | Cutrer House at the | |
| 110 | Clarksdale Center and | |
| 111 | repair, renovation and | |
| 112 | restoration of the Coahoma | |
| 113 | Community College - Delta | |
| 114 | State University Education | |
| 115 | Center \$ 2,500,000.00 | |
| 116 | Purchase of two (2) | |
| 117 | airplanes and three (3) | |
| 118 | flight simulators for the | |
| 119 | Gibson-Gunn Aviation | |
| 120 | School\$ 700,000.00 | |
| 121 | - | 6,400,000.00 |
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| 122 | Acquisition of land adjacent | |
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| 123 | to campus in the surrounding | |
| 124 | neighborhood\$ 500,000.00 | |
| 125 | Parking construction, paving and | |
| 126 | repair and renovation of campus | |
| 127 | buildings and facilities \$ 1,500,000.00 | |
| 128 | Acquisition and installation | |
| 129 | of any equipment necessary | |
| 130 | in establishing and maintaining | |
| 131 | a digital transmission system | |
| 132 | for TV23 \$ 1,000,000.00 | |
| 133 | Construction of a new | |
| 134 | baseball stadium and field | |
| 135 | and related facilities \$ 1,500,000.00 | |
| 136 | Work necessary to correct | |
| 137 | drainage problems on the | |
| 138 | west side of the campus \$ 400,000.00 | |
| 139 | Phase II of construction of | |
| 140 | the Lynch Street Corridor | |
| 141 | Project, including landscaping | |
| 142 | and irrigation for the | |
| 143 | project\$ 1,500,000.00 | |
| 144 | Mississippi University for Women\$ | 4,500,000.00 |
| 145 | Repair and renovation of | |
| 146 | Martin Hall for | |
| 147 | purpose of housing the | |
| 148 | School of Nursing \$ 4,500,000.00 | |
| 149 | Mississippi State University\$ | 8,960,000.00 |
| 150 | Phase I of repair and renovation | |
| 151 | of Colvard Student | |
| 152 | Union\$ 8,000,000.00 | |
| 153 | Expansion of the North | |
| 154 | Mississippi Research | |
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and Extension Center \$ 960,000.00 155 Mississippi State University/Division of Agriculture, 156 Forestry and Veterinary Medicine \$ 4,750,000.00 157 158 Phase I construction of 159 a new building for the Department of 160 161 Agricultural and Biological Engineering \$ 4,750,000.00 162 Mississippi Valley State University..... \$ 5,000,000.00 163 Repair and renovation of campus 164 165 buildings and facilities and 166 repair, renovation, replacement 167 and improvement of campus 168 infrastructure \$ 4,000,000.00 Design through construction 169 documents and Phase I of 170 construction of a wellness 171 center \$ 1,000,000.00 172 University of Mississippi..... \$ 9,000,000.00 173 174 Renovation of Farley Hall \$ 5,000,000.00 175 Final phase of renovation of Bryant Hall \$ 2,500,000.00 176 Final phase of relocation 177 of the Physical Plant \$ 1,000,000.00 178 179 Repair and renovation of campus 180 buildings and facilities and 181 repair, renovation, replacement 182 and improvement of campus 183 infrastructure \$ 500,000.00 184 University Medical Center..... \$ 4,000,000.00 Demolition of the Antonelli 185 186 Building and construction, 187 furnishing and equipping S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG PAGE 5

188 of a new teaching facility \$ 4,000,000.00 189 University of Southern Mississippi..... \$ 8,000,000.00 190 191 Repair and renovation of the 192 Reed Green Multipurpose Facility \$ 3,000,000.00 193 194 Completion of construction of the Polymer Institute 195 Product Process Unit/Building 196 to house donated equipment 197 198 from industry \$ 2,000,000.00 Repair and renovation of 199 200 campus buildings, facilities 201 and infrastructure \$ 3,000,000.00 University of Southern Mississippi/ 202 Gulf Coast Campus..... \$ 2,000,000.00 203 Design through construction 204 documents and Phase I of 205 206 construction of a 207 nursing/allied health/science 208 laboratory facility \$ 2,000,000.00 University of Southern Mississippi/ 209 Gulf Coast Research Laboratory..... \$ 750,000.00 210 Repair and renovation of campus 211 212 buildings and facilities and 213 repair, renovation, replacement 214 and improvement of campus 215 infrastructure \$ 750,000.00 University of Southern Mississippi/ 216 217 Stennis Space Center.....\$ 1,000,000.00 Completion of expansion, 218 219 furnishing and equipping 220 of the High Performance S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG PAGE 6

Visualization Center \$ 1,000,000.00 221 Education and Research Center.....\$ 222 700,000.00 Repair and renovation of 223 224 buildings, facilities and infrastructure \$ 700,000.00 225 **STATE AGENCIES**..... \$ 55,434,000.00 226 Department of Human Services..... \$ 2,000,000.00 227 Renovation of cottages 228 and construction of a visitors 229 center and staff housing at 230 231 Columbia and Oakley Training Schools \$ 2,000,000.00 232 233 Department of Public Safety..... \$ 1,000,000.00 234 Construction of a vehicle maintenance facility \$ 1,000,000.00 235 Department of Agriculture and Commerce..... \$ 4,000,000.00 236 Repair, renovation, replacement, 237 238 demolition, improvement and upgrade of facilities and 239 240 infrastructure at the State 241 Fairgrounds and construction 242 of facilities necessary to relocate the retail portion of the 243 Mississippi Farmers Central Market 244 245 to the State Fairgrounds ... \$ 4,000,000.00 Department of Education..... \$ 2,984,000.00 246 Renovation, furnishing and 247 248 equipping of Dobyns Hall 249 at the Mississippi Schools 250 for the Blind and Deaf \$ 1,984,000.00 Equipping, furnishing and other 251 252 start-up costs for the 253 Mississippi School for the S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG PAGE 7

| 254 | Arts, including, |
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| 255 | but not limited to, computer |
| 256 | equipment; visual art, music |
| 257 | and theater supplies; cafeteria |
| 258 | equipment and supplies; |
| 259 | textbooks; classroom supplies; |
| 260 | infirmary and residential |
| 261 | life supplies \$ 1,000,000.00 |
| 262 | Department of Mental Health\$ 6,200,000.00 |
| 263 | Completion of construction |
| 264 | of mental health crisis |
| 265 | intervention centers first |
| 266 | authorized by Chapter 463, |
| 267 | Laws of 1999 \$ 2,400,000.00 |
| 268 | Construction of a |
| 269 | maintenance/warehouse |
| 270 | building at the Mississippi |
| 271 | State Hospital \$ 1,400,000.00 |
| 272 | Completion of furnishing and |
| 273 | equipping of nursing |
| 274 | home facilities at |
| 275 | the East Mississippi |
| 276 | State Hospital \$ 1,000,000.00 |
| 277 | Construction, furnishing and |
| 278 | equipping of two (2) |
| 279 | intermediate care facilities |
| 280 | for the mentally retarded |
| 281 | (community group homes) \$ 1,400,000.00 |
| 282 | Department of Finance and Administration\$ 19,500,000.00 |
| 283 | Completion of construction, equipping |
| 284 | and furnishing of a justice |
| 285 | facility to accommodate the |
| 286 | Supreme Court, Court of Appeals |
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| 287 | and State Law Library \$16,000,000.00 | |
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| 288 | Acquisition of real property | |
| 289 | and improvements located | |
| 290 | thereon in the vicinity of the | |
| 291 | New Capitol for use as | |
| 292 | part of the Capitol | |
| 293 | Complex\$ 1,000,000.00 | |
| 294 | To continue an ongoing program for | |
| 295 | repair and renovation of state-owned | |
| 296 | facilities necessary for | |
| 297 | compliance with the Americans | |
| 298 | with Disabilities Act \$ 1,000,000.00 | |
| 299 | To continue an ongoing program for | |
| 300 | repair and renovation of state | |
| 301 | institutions of higher learning | |
| 302 | necessary for compliance with | |
| 303 | the Americans with Disabilities | |
| 304 | Act\$ 1,000,000.00 | |
| 305 | Development of requirements | |
| 306 | and Phase I of the | |
| 307 | implementation of a | |
| 308 | construction and property | |
| 309 | management information | |
| 310 | system\$ 500,000.00 | |
| 311 | Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks \$ | 750,000.00 |
| 312 | Construction, furnishing and | |
| 313 | equipping of two (2) duplex | |
| 314 | cabins at Trace State Park | |
| 315 | and utility connections, | |
| 316 | road extensions and | |
| 317 | parking areas for | |
| 318 | such cabins \$ 325,000.00 | |
| 319 | Construction, furnishing and | |
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| 320 | equipping of two (2) duplex |
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| 321 | cabins at Lake Lowndes State |
| 322 | Park and utility connections, |
| 323 | road extensions and parking |
| 324 | areas for such cabins \$ 325,000.00 |
| 325 | A proposed plan which the Department |
| 326 | of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks |
| 327 | shall provide not later than |
| 328 | December 1, 2003, for an eighty- |
| 329 | to one-hundred-fifty-acre general |
| 330 | purpose lake located in, adjacent |
| 331 | to or in close proximity to the |
| 332 | Tuscumbia Wildlife Management |
| 333 | Area located in Alcorn County, |
| 334 | Mississippi. This plan shall |
| 335 | consist of an exact location |
| 336 | for the proposed lake with |
| 337 | detailed property descriptions, |
| 338 | preliminary plans and specifications |
| 339 | for the lake and shall be made |
| 340 | available not later than December 1, |
| 341 | 2003 \$ 100,000.00 |
| 342 | Mississippi Forestry Commission\$ 1,000,000.00 |
| 343 | Repair, renovation of equipment |
| 344 | storage facilities and |
| 345 | asbestos removal\$ 500,000.00 |
| 346 | Construction of facilities |
| 347 | to produce containerized |
| 348 | seedlings \$ 500,000.00 |
| 349 | State Veterans Affairs Board\$ 900,000.00 |
| 350 | Repair and renovation of the |
| 351 | state veterans homes \$ 900,000.00 |
| 352 | Mississippi Library Commission\$ 3,500,000.00 |
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| 353 | Furnishing and equipping | |
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| 354 | of the new Mississippi | |
| 355 | Library Commission | |
| 356 | Building and moving/relocation | |
| 357 | expenses and other necessary | |
| 358 | expenses associated with | |
| 359 | such facility \$ 3,000,000.00 | |
| 360 | Acquiring and implementing a | |
| 361 | statewide, technology | |
| 362 | standards-compliant | |
| 363 | interlibrary loan/booksharing | |
| 364 | system\$ 500,000.00 | |
| 365 | Mississippi National Guard\$ | 1,900,000.00 |
| 366 | Provide matching funds to the | |
| 367 | National Guard for construction | |
| 368 | of an armory in Kosciusko, | |
| 369 | Mississippi \$ 1,400,000.00 | |
| 370 | Provide matching funds to the | |
| 371 | National Guard for armory | |
| 372 | maintenance and repair | |
| 373 | projects\$ 500,000.00 | |
| 374 | Department of Archives and History\$ | 1,500,000.00 |
| 375 | Finalization of architectural and | |
| 376 | exhibit design through | |
| 377 | construction documents and | |
| 378 | limited site preparation/ | |
| 379 | improvement for the new | |
| 380 | State Historical Museum | |
| 381 | authorized by Chapter 560, | |
| 382 | Laws of 1998 \$ 1,500,000.00 | |
| 383 | Department of Information Technology Services \$ | 1,900,000.00 |
| 384 | Phase I of installation of | |
| 385 | communications infrastructure | |
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and related equipment at the 386 Capitol Complex, the Education 387 and Research Center Campus 388 389 and other state buildings 390 and connections between such locations \$ 1,900,000.00 391 Mississippi Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory..... \$ 6,000,000.00 392 Phase II of construction, 393 furnishing and equipping of the 394 Mississippi Veterinary Diagnostic 395 396 Laboratory in Jackson \$ 6,000,000.00 State Fire Academy..... \$ 2,300,000.00 397 398 Construction, equipping and 399 furnishing a new burn building with gas fire simulators 400 and other related 401 facilities at State Fire Academy 402 403 in Rankin County \$ 2,300,000.00 404 TOTAL.....\$119,194,000.00 405 (2) (a) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 406 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 407 of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds 408 authorized under Sections 1 through 24 of this act are deposited 409 410 into the special fund, then the agency or institution of higher learning for which any unused monies are allocated under 411 subsection (1) of this section shall provide an accounting of such 412 unused monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission 413 has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects 414 415 described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, 416 417 any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay 418 debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 24 of S. B. No. 2988

03/SS02/R1164SG PAGE 12 419 this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the 420 issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

Monies in the special fund may be used to reimburse 421 (b) 422 reasonable, actual and necessary costs incurred by the Department 423 of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, in administering 424 or providing assistance directly related to a project described in 425 426 subsection (1) of this section. Reimbursement may be made only until such time as the project is completed. An accounting of 427 actual costs incurred for which reimbursement is sought shall be 428 maintained for each project by the Department of Finance and 429 430 Administration, Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. Reimbursement of reasonable, actual and necessary 431 432 costs for a project shall not exceed three percent (3%) of the 433 proceeds of bonds issued for such project. Monies authorized for a particular project may not be used to reimburse administrative 434 costs for unrelated projects. 435

436 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 437 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 438 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 439 440 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 441 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 442 443 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 444 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 445 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 446 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

(4) Any amounts allocated to an agency or institution of higher learning that are in excess of that needed to complete the projects at such agency or institution of higher learning that are described in subsection (1) of this section may be used for general repairs and renovations or previously authorized capital

452 projects at the agency or institution of higher learning to which 453 such amount is allocated.

(5) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting
through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
Management, is authorized to preplan or continue planning of the
following projects:

(a) Continuation of preplanning of Phase I of repair
and renovation or construction of dining facilities at Alcorn
State University;

461 (b) Construction of a new men's dormitory at Alcorn462 State University;

463 (c) Renovation of Dansby Hall and Charles Moore Hall at464 Jackson State University;

465 (d) Renovation of Poindexter Hall at the Mississippi466 University for Women; and

467 (e) Relocation of State Records Center.

The projects authorized in this subsection shall be in addition to the projects authorized in subsection (1) of this section.

(6) The use of monies allocated to Delta State University under subsection (1) of this section for use at the Coahoma Community College - Delta State University Education Center shall be conditioned upon Coahoma County, Mississippi, providing matching funds in an amount not less than the monies allocated to such center under subsection (1) of this section.

477 **SECTION 3.** (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the "2003 Community and Junior Colleges Capital Improvements Fund" is 478 479 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 480 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 481 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse 482 483 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment 484 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit

485 of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for 486 any purpose except as authorized under Sections 1 through 24 of 487 this act.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 488 in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 489 490 to pay the costs of acquisition of real property, construction of new facilities and addition to or renovation of existing 491 facilities for community and junior college campuses as 492 recommended by the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges. 493 The amount to be expended at each community and junior college is 494 as follows: 495

| 496 | Coahoma\$ 578,799.00 |
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| 497 | Copiah-Lincoln |
| 498 | East Central |
| 499 | East Mississippi |
| 500 | Hinds 1,341,127.00 |
| 501 | Holmes |
| 502 | Itawamba |
| 503 | Jones |
| 504 | Meridian |
| 505 | Mississippi Delta |
| 506 | Mississippi Gulf Coast 1,185,439.00 |
| 507 | Northeast Mississippi |
| 508 | Northwest Mississippi |
| 509 | Pearl River |
| 510 | Southwest Mississippi |
| 511 | GRAND TOTAL \$12,000,000.00 |
| 512 | (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be |
| 513 | disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) |
| 514 | of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used |
| 515 | within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds |
| 516 | authorized under Sections 1 through 24 of this act are deposited |
| 517 | into the special fund, then the community college or junior |
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college for which any such monies are allocated under subsection 518 (1) of this section shall provide an accounting of such unused 519 monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission has 520 521 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 522 in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 523 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 524 service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 24 of this 525 act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance 526 of such bonds and as directed by the commission. 527

528 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 529 530 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 531 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 532 The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 533 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 534 535 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 536 537 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 538

539 SECTION 4. (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the "2003 Mississippi State-Owned Buildings and IHL Repair and 540 Renovation Fund" is created within the State Treasury. 541 The fund 542 shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the 543 Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a 544 state. 545 fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any 546 interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund 547 shall be deposited into such fund.

548 (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 549 in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 550 to pay the costs of repair and renovation of state-owned buildings

and facilities, and repair and renovation of state institutions of 551 higher learning, including having environmental studies or other 552 studies performed for the purpose of determining, assessing and/or 553 554 correcting problems regarding black mold and other hazardous 555 substances; however, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) shall be disbursed by the Department of Finance and Administration 556 557 to pay the cost of repairs and renovations at the Mississippi 558 School for the Deaf and the Mississippi School for the Blind.

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 559 (2) disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in subsection 560 561 (1) of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not 562 used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 24 of this act are 563 564 deposited into the special fund, then the Department of Finance 565 and Administration shall provide an accounting of such unused monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission has 566 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 567 568 in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 569 570 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 571 service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 24 of this 572 act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission. 573

The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 574 (3) 575 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 576 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 577 578 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The 579 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 580 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 581 582 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants

583 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 584 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

SECTION 5. (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the 585 586 "2003 Ayers Settlement Agreement Capital Improvements Fund" is 587 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 588 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts 589 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse 590 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment 591 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit 592 593 of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for any purpose except as authorized under this section. 594

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall constitute
<u>Ayers</u> bond revenues to be disbursed by the Department of Finance
and Administration to pay the costs of capital improvements at
Alcorn State University, Jackson State University and Mississippi
Valley State University as recommended by the Board of Trustees of
State Institutions of Higher Learning in order to comply with the
Settlement Agreement in the case of Ayers vs. Musgrove.

602 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
603 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1)
604 of this section.

The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 605 (3) through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 606 607 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 608 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 609 The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 610 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 611 612 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 613 614 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 615 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

It is the intent of the Legislature that not less than 616 (4) ten percent (10%) of the amounts authorized to be expended in this 617 section shall be expended with small business concerns owned and 618 619 controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. 620 The term "socially and economically disadvantaged individuals" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term under Section 8(d) of 621 the Small Business Act (15 USCS, Section 637(d)) and relevant 622 623 subcontracting regulations promulgated pursuant thereto; except that women shall be presumed to be socially and economically 624 disadvantaged individuals for the purposes of this subsection. 625 626 **SECTION 6.** (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the

627 "2003 Mississippi EDNET Fund" is created within the State The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as 628 Treasury. a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 629 630 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General 631 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 632 633 the fund shall be deposited to the credit of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for any purpose except as 634 635 authorized under this section.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed 636 637 by the Department of Finance and Administration to the Mississippi EDNET Institute, to pay the costs of engineering, procuring and 638 installing equipment and facilities consisting of digital 639 640 microwave interconnect and support equipment, digital video encoding and decoding equipment, digital ITFS transmission 641 equipment, antennas and transmission lines and/or any equipment 642 643 useful in establishing or maintaining a digital or analog transmission or origination system in order to complete the 644 existing but incomplete EDNET ITFS statewide network. 645

646 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
647 disbursed to the Mississippi EDNET Institute to pay the costs of
648 projects described in subsection (1) of this section.

(3) The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the Mississippi EDNET Institute upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

SECTION 7. (1) 656 (a) A special fund to be designated as the 657 "2003 Chalmers Institute Repair and Renovation Fund" is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 658 659 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 660 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 661 662 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit of the 663 Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for any 664 fund. purpose except as authorized under this section. 665

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed
by the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs
of repairs and renovations of the Chalmers Institute in Holly
Springs, Mississippi.

670 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
671 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1)
672 of this section.

673 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 674 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 675 676 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 677 The 678 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 679 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 680 681 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants

shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Directorof the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

SECTION 8. (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the 684 "2003 Hillcrest Cemetery Repair Fund" is created within the State 685 686 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 687 688 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General 689 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 690 the fund shall be deposited to the credit of the fund. Monies in 691 692 the fund may not be used or expended for any purpose except as 693 authorized under this section.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed
by the Department of Finance and Administration to the City of
Holly Springs, Mississippi, to pay the costs of repairs to the
historical portion of the Hillcrest Cemetery.

698 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
699 disbursed by the Department of Finance and Administration to pay
700 the costs of projects described in subsection (1) of this section.

(3) Such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the City of Holly Springs, Mississippi, upon warrants issued by the Department of Finance and Administration, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

706 SECTION 9. (1)The commission, at one time, or from time to 707 time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 708 709 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in Sections 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 of this act. Upon the 710 711 adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any 712 713 part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this 714 section, the Department of Finance and Administration shall

deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the 715 commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in 716 its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form 717 of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the 718 719 bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale 720 of such bonds. Except as otherwise provided in Section 10 of this 721 act, the total amount of bonds issued under Sections 1 through 24 722 of this act shall not exceed One Hundred Thirty-nine Million Four 723 Hundred Eighty-four Thousand Dollars (\$139,484,000.00). No bonds 724 725 shall be issued under this section after July 1, 2006.

(2) The proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to Sections 1
through 24 of this act shall be deposited into the following
special funds in not more than the following amounts:

The 2003 IHL Capital and State Agencies 729 (a) Improvements Fund created pursuant to Section 2 of this 730 act.....\$119,194,000.00. 731 732 (b) The 2003 Community and Junior College Capital Improvements Fund created pursuant to Section 3 of this 733 734 act.....\$ 12,000,000.00. 735 (c) The 2003 Mississippi State-Owned Buildings and IHL 736 Repair and Renovation Fund created pursuant to Section 4 of this act.....\$ 3,000,000.00. 737 The 2003 Mississippi EDNET Fund created pursuant to 738 (d) 739 Section 6 of this act.....\$ 900,000.00. 740 (e) The 2003 Chalmers Institute Repair and Renovation Fund created pursuant to Section 7 of this act... \$ 741 90,000.00. 742 The 2003 Hillcrest Cemetery Fund created pursuant (f) to Section 8 of this act.....\$ 743 300,000.00. The Rural Fire Truck Fund created pursuant to 744 (g) Section 17-23-1 for the rural fire truck acquisition assistance 745 program.....\$ 4,000,000.00. 746

747 (3) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 748 special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 of this act 749 shall be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 1 750 through 24 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings 751 authorizing issuance of such bonds.

SECTION 10. (1) The United States District Court for the 752 753 Northern District of Mississippi having approved the Settlement Agreement in the case of Ayers v. Musgrove and on notification 754 that such agreement has become final and effective according to 755 its terms, including, but not limited to, the exhaustion of all 756 757 rights to appeal, the commission, at one time, or from time to 758 time, shall declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 759 760 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes describe in Section 5 of this act. Upon the adoption of a 761 resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration 762 declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the 763 764 general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the 765 Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified 766 copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon 767 receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may 768 act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary 769 and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such 770 771 bonds. The total amount of bonds issued pursuant to this section 772 shall not exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000.00).

(2) The proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the special fund created in Section 6 of this act. Any investment earnings on amount deposited into the special fund created in Section 5 of this act shall be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 1 through 24 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds.

S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG PAGE 23 SECTION 11. The principal of and interest on the bonds 780 authorized under Sections 1 through 24 of this act shall be 781 payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall 782 783 bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, 784 bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable 785 at such place or places within or without the State of 786 787 Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to 788 exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or 789 790 without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by 791 resolution of the commission. 792

SECTION 12. The bonds authorized by Sections 1 through 24 of 793 this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by 794 his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission 795 shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the 796 797 commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such 798 799 officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 800 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 801 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have 802 been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of 803 804 such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as 805 806 if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 807 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding 808 809 anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi. 810 811 SECTION 13. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of Sections 1 through 24 of this act have all the 812

qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by Sections 1 through 24 of this act, the commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

The commission shall act as the issuing agent 818 SECTION 14. for the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 24 of this act, 819 prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, 820 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 821 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 822 823 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 824 825 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 24 826 827 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public 828 sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best 829 830 interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of 831 832 delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; 833 834 however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not 835 more than one (1) year.

Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of Sections 1 through 24 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment

846 and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued 847 interest on such date or dates named therein.

SECTION 15. The bonds issued under the provisions of 848 849 Sections 1 through 24 of this act are general obligations of the 850 State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. 851 Ιf 852 the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become 853 due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from 854 any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. 855 All 856 such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of this section. 857

Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the 858 SECTION 16. 859 provisions of Sections 1 through 24 of this act, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the 860 special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of this 861 act in the amounts provided for in Sections 9(2) and 10 of this 862 863 The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon act. 864 the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under 865 such restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds. 866

SECTION 17. The bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 24 867 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the 868 happening of any other conditions or things other than those 869 870 proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by Sections 1 through 24 of this act. Any resolution providing 871 for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 1 872 through 24 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its 873 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 874 875 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 876 of its members.

877 **SECTION 18.** The bonds authorized under the authority of 878 Sections 1 through 24 of this act may be validated in the Chancery

Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

886 SECTION 19. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 through 24 of this act or of any of the interest 887 coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by 888 889 suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under Sections 1 through 24 of this 890 891 act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by Sections 1 through 24 of 892 893 this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 894 bonds and interest thereon.

SECTION 20. All bonds issued under the provisions of 895 896 Sections 1 through 24 of this act shall be legal investments for 897 trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust 898 companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities 899 900 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public 901 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of 902 903 public funds.

904 **SECTION 21.** Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 905 through 24 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from 906 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

907 **SECTION 22.** The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections 908 1 through 24 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes 909 herein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and 910 sale of such bonds.

SECTION 23. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 911 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance 912 and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 913 914 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 915 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 916 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 1 through 24 of 917 this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary 918 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds 919 in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on 920 921 the due dates thereof.

922 **SECTION 24.** Sections 1 through 24 of this act shall be 923 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the 924 powers herein granted, but this act shall not be deemed to repeal 925 or to be in derogation of any existing law of this state.

926 **SECTION 25.** As used in Sections 25 through 40 of this act, 927 the following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless 928 the context clearly requires otherwise:

929 (a) "Commission" means the Commission on Wildlife,930 Fisheries and Parks.

931 (b) "Department" means the Department of Finance and932 Administration.

SECTION 26. (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the 933 "2003 Moon Lake State Park Fund" is created within the State 934 935 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 936 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at 937 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General 938 Fund and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 939 940 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

941 (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 942 in the discretion of the commission, to pay the costs of Phase I 943 development of Moon Lake State Park in Coahoma County in

accordance with the Delta Park Pre-plan Study completed on March 944 1, 1996, including, but not limited to, acquisition of real 945 property; road and infrastructure construction; construction of a 946 947 sixty-pad recreational vehicle campground with two (2) bathhouses, 948 a boat ramp with piers, a gatehouse, a staff residence and 949 maintenance facility; and furnishing and equipping all facilities; 950 however, not less than Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) shall be expended for roads, ramps and piers. 951

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 952 (2) disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in subsection 953 954 (1) of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in 955 subsection (1) of this section have been completed, abandoned or 956 957 cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in 958 such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 25 through 40 of this act, in 959 accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such 960 961 bonds and as directed by the State Bond Commission.

The Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks may 962 (3) 963 receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection 964 with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The 965 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the commission, and such funds shall be 966 paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such 967 968 commission, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and 969 Administration, or his designee. 970

971 SECTION 27. (1) Before the issuance of any of the bonds 972 authorized under Sections 25 through 40 of this act, the 973 commission shall forward to the State Bond Commission its 974 resolution declaring the necessity for the issuance of general 975 obligation bonds as authorized by Sections 25 through 40 of this

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977 (2) All contracts for the purchase of equipment and
978 construction performed or related to the projects authorized under
979 Sections 25 through 40 of this act shall be advertised, bid and
980 accepted by the commission in accordance with the procedures
981 prescribed for the advertisement and acceptance of bids for the
982 purchase of commodities and contracts for public construction
983 under Section 31-7-1 et seq.

SECTION 28. Upon receipt of a certified copy of a resolution 984 985 of the commission declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the bonds authorized by Sections 25 through 40 of 986 987 this act, the State Bond Commission is authorized and empowered, at one time or from time to time, to declare the necessity for 988 989 issuance of, and to sell and issue general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi in the principal amount requested, not to 990 exceed an aggregate principal amount of Two Million Five Hundred 991 Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00), for the purposes hereinabove set 992 forth; however, the issuance of bonds under Sections 25 through 40 993 994 of this act shall be conditioned upon receipt of matching funds from Coahoma County, Mississippi, and/or any other source in the 995 996 aggregate amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00). The State Bond Commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs 997 998 that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 25 through 40 of this act, from the 999 proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. 1000

1001 SECTION 29. The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized under Sections 25 through 40 of this act shall be 1002 1003 payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, 1004 bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limit set 1005 1006 forth in Section 32 of this act), be payable at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 1007 1008 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 1009 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such

1010 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 1011 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 1012 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the State 1013 Bond Commission.

1014 SECTION 30. The bonds authorized by Sections 25 through 40 1015 of this act shall be signed by the Chairman of the State Bond Commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal 1016 of the State Bond Commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by 1017 the Secretary of the State Bond Commission. The interest coupons, 1018 1019 if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by the 1020 facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the officials herein designated to sign 1021 1022 the bonds, who were in office at the time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 1023 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 1024 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 1025 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 1026 1027 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in office until the delivery of 1028 1029 the same to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the 1030 1031 contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi. 1032

SECTION 31. All bonds and interest coupons issued under 1033 1034 Sections 25 through 40 of this act have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the 1035 1036 Uniform Commercial Code and in exercising the powers granted by Sections 25 through 40 of this act, the State Bond Commission 1037 shall not be required to and need not comply with the provisions 1038 of the Uniform Commercial Code. Such bonds and income therefrom 1039 shall be exempt from all taxation within the State of Mississippi. 1040 1041 SECTION 32. The State Bond Commission shall act as the

1042 issuing agent for the bonds authorized under Sections 25 through

40 of this act, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and 1043 1044 accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, 1045 pay all fees and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do 1046 any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 1047 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The State Bond 1048 Commission may pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 25 1049 through 40 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of 1050 1051 the bonds. The State Bond Commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale and for such price as it may determine 1052 1053 to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued 1054 1055 interest to date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All bonds shall bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding the 1056 limits set forth in Section 75-17-101. All interest accruing on 1057 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; 1058 1059 however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not 1060 more than one (1) year.

Notice of the sale of any such bond shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the State Bond Commission.

The State Bond Commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of Sections 25 through 40 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

SECTION 33. The bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 25 through 40 of this act are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith

and credit of the State of Mississippi is hereby irrevocably

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1076 pledged. If the funds appropriated by the Legislature are 1077 insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on such 1078 bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the 1079 State Treasurer from any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise 1080 appropriated. All such bonds shall contain recitals on their 1081 faces substantially covering the provisions of this section.

SECTION 34. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 1082 further process of law, to certify to the Executive Director of 1083 the Department of Finance and Administration the necessity for 1084 warrants, and the executive director is authorized and directed to 1085 1086 issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due the principal of and interest on all bonds issued under 1087 1088 the provisions of Sections 25 through 40 of this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 1089 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 1090 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 1091 1092 thereof.

1093 SECTION 35. The bonds authorized under Sections 25 through 40 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the 1094 1095 happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required 1096 1097 by Sections 25 through 40 of this act. Any resolution providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds under the provisions 1098 of Sections 25 through 40 of this act shall become effective 1099 1100 immediately upon its adoption by the State Bond Commission, and any such resolution may be adopted at any regular or special 1101 1102 meeting of the State Bond Commission by a majority of its members.

1103 SECTION 36. The bonds authorized under the authority of 1104 Sections 25 through 40 of this act may be validated in the 1105 Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, 1106 Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided 1107 by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the 1108 validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds.

1109 The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be 1110 published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation 1111 in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

1112 SECTION 37. The proceeds of the bonds authorized in Sections 1113 25 through 40 of this act shall be deposited in the special fund 1114 created in Section 26 of this act. The proceeds of such bonds 1115 shall be used solely for the purposes provided in Sections 25 through 40 of this act, including the costs incident to the 1116 issuance and sale of such bonds. The costs incident to the 1117 issuance and sale of such bonds shall be disbursed by warrant upon 1118 requisition of the State Bond Commission, signed by the Governor. 1119 The expenditure of the remaining money shall be under the 1120 1121 direction of the Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants 1122 issued by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and 1123 Administration. 1124

1125 SECTION 38. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 1126 of Sections 25 through 40 of this act, or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto, may, either at law or in equity, by 1127 suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce 1128 any and all rights granted under Sections 25 through 40 of this 1129 1130 act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by Sections 25 through 40 of 1131 this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 1132 1133 bonds and interest thereon.

1134 SECTION 39. All bonds issued under the provisions of 1135 Sections 25 through 40 of this act shall be legal investments for 1136 trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust 1137 companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the 1138 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities 1139 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public 1140 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and

1141 political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of 1142 public funds.

SECTION 40. The provisions of Sections 25 through 40 of this act shall be deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the powers therein granted, but Sections 25 through 40 of this act shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any existing law of this state.

1148 **SECTION 41.** Sections 1 through 23, Chapter 550, Laws of 1149 2002, are amended as follows:

Section 1. As used in Sections 1 through 23 of this act, the following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same maturity.

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(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 1161 (C)1162 Section 2. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the "2002 IHL and State Agencies Capital Improvements Fund," is 1163 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 1164 1165 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts 1166 1167 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment 1168 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund. 1169 Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 1170 (b) in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 1171 1172 with the approval of the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning on those projects related to the universities 1173

| 1174 | under its management and control, to pay the costs of capital |
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| 1175 | improvements, renovation and/or repair of existing facilities, |
| 1176 | furnishings and/or equipping facilities for public facilities for |
| 1177 | agencies or their successors as hereinafter described: |
| 1178 | NAME PROJECT AMOUNT |
| 1179 | ALLOCATED |
| 1180 | INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING \$ 50,860,000.00 |
| 1181 | Alcorn State University \$ 4,260,000.00 |
| 1182 | Upgrade of water wells and water treatment |
| 1183 | facilities, renovation of Women's Tower, |
| 1184 | and repair and renovation of campus |
| 1185 | buildings, facilities and |
| 1186 | <u>infrastructure</u> \$ 3,500,000.00 |
| 1187 | Air conditioning of the |
| 1188 | Simmons Technology |
| 1189 | Building\$ 360,000.00 |
| 1190 | Construction of lighting |
| 1191 | for baseball field\$ 400,000.00 |
| 1192 | Delta State University\$ 4,100,000.00 |
| 1193 | Renovation of and additions |
| 1194 | to Jobe Hall for use as |
| 1195 | a general classroom |
| 1196 | building\$ 3,500,000.00 |
| 1197 | Purchase of airplanes and |
| 1198 | construction of a hanger |
| 1199 | to house airplanes and a |
| 1200 | simulator\$ 600,000.00 |
| 1201 | Jackson State University\$ 8,500,000.00 |
| 1202 | Completion of Phase II |
| 1203 | construction, furnishing and |
| 1204 | equipping of transitional |
| 1205 | student housing\$ 7,500,000.00 |
| 1206 | Renovation of building and facilities |
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| 1207 | at the Mississippi E-center/Jackson |
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| 1208 | State University, build-out expenses |
| 1209 | and acquiring and installing any |
| 1210 | equipment necessary in |
| 1211 | establishing and maintaining |
| 1212 | a digital transmission |
| 1213 | system for TV23\$ 1,000,000.00 |
| 1214 | Mississippi University for Women\$ 3,800,000.00 |
| 1215 | Demolition, construction, repair |
| 1216 | and renovation of campus |
| 1217 | facilities, including, but not |
| 1218 | limited to, Parkinson Hall, |
| 1219 | Callaway Hall and Martin Hall, |
| 1220 | and repair, renovation, |
| 1221 | replacement and improvement of |
| 1222 | campus infrastructure\$ 3,800,000.00 |
| 1223 | Mississippi State University \$ 7,000,000.00 |
| 1224 | Phase I of construction of |
| 1225 | a simulation and design |
| 1226 | center\$ 6,000,000.00 |
| 1227 | Repair and renovation of campus |
| 1228 | buildings, facilities and |
| 1229 | <u>infrastructure</u> \$ 1,000,000.00 |
| 1230 | Mississippi State University/Division of Agriculture, |
| 1231 | Forestry and Veterinary Medicine\$ 3,900,000.00 |
| 1232 | Renovation of the Pace |
| 1233 | Seed Technology Building |
| 1234 | to accommodate a life |
| 1235 | sciences program\$ 3,000,000.00 |
| 1236 | Repair and renovation of |
| 1237 | facilities\$ 900,000.00 |
| 1238 | Mississippi Valley State University \$ 3,000,000.00 |
| 1239 | Completion of construction, |
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| 1240 | furnishing and equipping of | |
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| 1241 | business administration | |
| 1242 | building\$ 2,000,000.00 | |
| 1243 | Repair, renovation, | |
| 1244 | replacement and improvement | |
| 1245 | of campus drainage and other | |
| 1246 | infrastructure\$ 1,000,000.00 | |
| 1247 | University of Mississippi\$ | 5,500,000.00 |
| 1248 | Renovation of old Education | |
| 1249 | Building\$ 3,500,000.00 | |
| 1250 | Renovation of Bryant Hall\$ 1,000,000.00 | |
| 1251 | Renovation of Longstreet | |
| 1252 | Hall\$ 1,000,000.00 | |
| 1253 | University Medical Center\$ | 3,000,000.00 |
| 1254 | Matching funds for Guyton Hall | |
| 1255 | expansion\$ 3,000,000.00 | |
| 1256 | University of Southern Mississippi\$ | 4,650,000.00 |
| 1257 | Repair and renovation of campus | |
| 1258 | buildings and facilities and repair, | |
| 1259 | renovation, replacement and improvement | |
| 1260 | of campus infrastructure\$ 4,000,000.00 | |
| 1261 | Completion of renovation | |
| 1262 | of Polymer Science Research | |
| 1263 | Center\$ 650,000.00 | |
| 1264 | University of Southern Mississippi/ | |
| 1265 | Gulf Coast Campus\$ | 1,000,000.00 |
| 1266 | Land acquisition and additional | |
| 1267 | parking\$ 1,000,000.00 | |
| 1268 | University of Southern Mississippi/ | |
| 1269 | Gulf Coast Research Laboratory\$ | 650,000.00 |
| 1270 | Matching funds for construction | |
| 1271 | of necessary infrastructure at | |
| 1272 | Cedar Point in Jackson County, | |
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1273 Mississippi.....\$ 650,000.00 University of Southern Mississippi/ 1274 Stennis Space Center..... \$ 500,000.00 1275 1276 Furnishing and equipping of 1277 a visualization center....\$ 250,000.00 Continuation of construction 1278 of additions to and furnishing 1279 1280 of building 1020 at the Stennis Space Center to support the 1281 masters program in hydrographic 1282 1283 science.....\$ 250,000.00 Education and Research Center..... \$ 1,000,000.00 1284 1285 Repair, renovation and upgrade of HVAC 1286 in Tower Building.....\$ 1,000,000.00 **STATE AGENCIES**..... \$ 65,880,000.00 1287 1288 Authority for Educational Television..... \$ 2,000,000.00 1289 Purchasing and installing 1290 antennas, towers, tower upgrades, tower sites, transmission lines, 1291 1292 transmitters and any equipment useful in establishing or maintaining 1293 1294 a digital transmission system to meet federal requirements.....\$ 2,000,000.00 1295 Mississippi Emergency Management Agency..... \$ 9,000,000.00 1296 1297 Construction of a building and related facilities to house 1298 1299 the Mississippi Emergency 1300 Management Agency.....\$ 9,000,000.00 Department of Human Services..... \$ 1,300,000.00 1301 Construction, repair and renovation, 1302 1303 furnishing and equipping 1304 of security and medical intake 1305 facilities at the Columbia S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG PAGE 39

| 1306 | Training School in Marion County, |
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| 1307 | Mississippi\$ 1,300,000.00 |
| 1308 | Department of Mental Health\$ 1,250,000.00 |
| 1309 | Repair, renovation, |
| 1310 | replacement and improvement of |
| 1311 | infrastructure at Ellisville |
| 1312 | State Hospital\$ 1,250,000.00 |
| 1313 | Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks \$ 4,730,000.00 |
| 1314 | Improvements to Neshoba |
| 1315 | County Lake\$ 680,000.00 |
| 1316 | Repair, renovation and construction |
| 1317 | of roads at state parks as |
| 1318 | determined necessary by the |
| 1319 | Department of Wildlife, Fisheries |
| 1320 | and Parks\$ 500,000.00 |
| 1321 | Repair and renovation of bath |
| 1322 | facilities at state parks as |
| 1323 | determined necessary by the |
| 1324 | Department of Wildlife, Fisheries |
| 1325 | and Parks\$ 300,000.00 |
| 1326 | Repair and renovation of cabins at |
| 1327 | state parks as determined necessary |
| 1328 | by the Department of Wildlife, |
| 1329 | Fisheries and Parks\$ 500,000.00 |
| 1330 | Additional Funds for the construction of the |
| 1331 | North Mississippi Fish |
| 1332 | Hatchery\$ 1,000,000.00 |
| 1333 | Improvements to the Lyman State |
| 1334 | Fish Hatchery\$ 1,000,000.00 |
| 1335 | Renovation and repair of the |
| 1336 | campground area at the J.P. |
| 1337 | Coleman State Park\$ 450,000.00 |
| 1338 | Construction of camper pads |
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| 1339 | at Paul B. Johnson State | | |
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| 1340 | Park\$ 300,000.00 | | |
| 1341 | Department of Finance and Administration \$ 23,500,000.00 | | |
| 1342 | Repair, renovation, equipping | | |
| 1343 | and furnishing of the Walter | | |
| 1344 | Sillers Building, tenant | | |
| 1345 | build-out expenses related to | | |
| 1346 | repair and renovation of the | | |
| 1347 | Walter Sillers Building\$10,000,000.00 | | |
| 1348 | To continue an ongoing program for | | |
| 1349 | repair and renovation of state-owned | | |
| 1350 | facilities necessary for | | |
| 1351 | compliance with the Americans | | |
| 1352 | With Disabilities Act\$ 2,500,000.00 | | |
| 1353 | To continue an ongoing program for | | |
| 1354 | repair and renovation of state | | |
| 1355 | institutions of higher learning | | |
| 1356 | necessary for compliance with | | |
| 1357 | the Americans With Disabilities | | |
| 1358 | Act\$ 2,500,000.00 | | |
| 1359 | Repair and renovation of | | |
| 1360 | state-owned buildings and facilities | | |
| 1361 | with \$500,000.00 of such funds used | | |
| 1362 | for repair and renovation of the | | |
| 1363 | Mississippi Schools for the | | |
| 1364 | Blind and Deaf\$ 4,500,000.00 | | |
| 1365 | Preplanning for projects described | | |
| 1366 | in subsection (7) of this | | |
| 1367 | section\$ 2,000,000.00 | | |
| 1368 | Design through construction | | |
| 1369 | documents of a building and | | |
| 1370 | supporting facilities <u>or development of</u> | | |
| 1371 | suitable acquisition and construction | | |
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| 1372 | alternatives to house the | | |
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| 1373 | Department of Environmental | | |
| 1374 | Quality\$ 2,000,000.00 | | |
| 1375 | Department of Education\$ 4,000,000.00 | | |
| 1376 | Construction, furnishing and | | |
| 1377 | equipping of a physical | | |
| 1378 | education facility for the | | |
| 1379 | Mississippi Schools for the | | |
| 1380 | Blind and Deaf\$ 4,000,000.00 | | |
| 1381 | Mississippi Library Commission\$ 600,000.00 | | |
| 1382 | Additional funds for construction | | |
| 1383 | of the new Mississippi | | |
| 1384 | Library Commission building | | |
| 1385 | and facilities\$ 600,000.00 | | |
| 1386 | Department of Archives and History \$ 700,000.00 | | |
| 1387 | Repair and renovation of | | |
| 1388 | the Eudora Welty house at | | |
| 1389 | 1119 Pinehurst Street in | | |
| 1390 | Jackson, Mississippi, and | | |
| 1391 | acquisition, renovation and demolition | | |
| 1392 | of property in the surrounding neighborhood. | | |
| 1393 | Funds authorized for such purposes | | |
| 1394 | may be used as matching funds for | | |
| 1395 | an anticipated National Endowment | | |
| 1396 | for the Humanities Challenge Grant | | |
| 1397 | and other grants that may | | |
| 1398 | become available\$ 700,000.00 | | |
| 1399 | Department of Public Safety \$ 1,000,000.00 | | |
| 1400 | Construction of a vehicle | | |
| 1401 | maintenance and communications | | |
| 1402 | center and a facility for storage | | |
| 1403 | of confiscated vehicles\$ 1,000,000.00 | | |
| 1404 | Department of Agriculture and Commerce\$ 4,000,000.00 | | |
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Preplanning of long-range capital 1405 improvement needs of the State 1406 Fairgrounds, and Phase I of 1407 1408 repair, renovation, replacement 1409 and improvement of infrastructure at the State Fairgrounds...\$ 4,000,000.00 1410 Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics.....\$ 400,000.00 1411 Construction of a headquarters 1412 1413 building in Starkville, 400,000.00 1414 Mississippi....\$ 1415 Mississippi National Guard.....\$ 1,400,000.00 Provide matching funds to the 1416 National Guard for construction 1417 of an armory in Batesville, 1418 Mississippi.....\$ 1,400,000.00 1419 1420 Mississippi Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory..... \$ 12,000,000.00 Phase I of construction of the 1421 1422 Mississippi Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in Jackson, Mississippi, 1423 1424 metropolitan area.....\$12,000,000.00 1425 TOTAL..... \$116,740,000.00 1426 (2) (a) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 1427 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) If any monies in such special fund are not used 1428 of this section. 1429 within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds 1430 authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act are deposited 1431 into the special fund, then the agency or institution of higher learning for which any unused monies are allocated under 1432 1433 subsection (1) of this section shall provide an accounting of such 1434 unused monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects 1435 1436 described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been 1437 completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, S. B. No. 2988

03/SS02/R1164SG PAGE 43 1438 any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay 1439 debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of 1440 this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the 1441 issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

1442 (b) Monies in the special fund may be used to reimburse 1443 reasonable, actual and necessary costs incurred by the Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of 1444 Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, in administering 1445 or providing assistance directly related to a project described in 1446 subsection (1) of this section. Reimbursement may be made only 1447 1448 until such time as the project is completed. An accounting of actual costs incurred for which reimbursement is sought shall be 1449 maintained for each project by the Department of Finance and 1450 Administration, Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 1451 Management. Reimbursement of reasonable, actual and necessary 1452 costs for a project shall not exceed three percent (3%) of the 1453 proceeds of bonds issued for such project. Monies authorized for 1454 1455 a particular project may not be used to reimburse administrative costs for unrelated projects. 1456

1457 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 1458 1459 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 1460 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 1461 The 1462 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 1463 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 1464 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 1465 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 1466 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 1467 1468 (4) Any amounts allocated to an agency or institution of

1469 higher learning that are in excess of that needed to complete the 1470 projects at such agency or institution of higher learning that are

described in subsection (1) of this section may be used for 1471 1472 general repairs and renovations at the agency or institution of 1473 higher learning to which such amount is allocated. In addition, 1474 any funds allocated to Delta State University under subsection (1) 1475 of this section that are in excess of that needed to complete the 1476 projects at Delta State University that are described in subsection (1) of this section may be used for other capital 1477 projects at Delta State University authorized by the Legislature 1478 1479 regardless of when authorized.

Any funds allocated to the Mississippi University for 1480 (5) 1481 Women under Sections 1 through 23, Chapter 600, Laws of 2001, that are in excess of that needed to complete the projects for which 1482 1483 the funds were allocated, may be used for the projects at the Mississippi University for Women described in subsection (1) of 1484 this section. Such funds shall be in addition to the funds 1485 authorized for projects at the Mississippi University for Women in 1486 subsection (1) of this section. 1487

1488 (6) <u>Any funds allocated to the Department of Wildlife,</u>
1489 <u>Fisheries and Parks under subsection (1) of this section for</u>
1490 <u>improvements to Neshoba County Lake which are in excess of that</u>
1491 <u>needed to complete such project may be used for construction and</u>
1492 <u>equipping of the North Mississippi Fish Hatchery for which funding</u>
1493 <u>was provided under Sections 1 through 23, Chapter 600, Laws of</u>
1494 <u>2001, as amended by Section 45, Chapter 550, Laws of 2002.</u>

1495 <u>(7)</u> The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 1496 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 1497 Management, is authorized to preplan or continue planning of the 1498 following projects:

1499 (a) Repair and renovation of the Robert E. Lee
1500 Building;
1501 (b) Repair and renovation of the former Naval Reserve

1502 Building;

1503 (c) Repair and renovation of the Mississippi Industries 1504 for the Blind buildings and facilities;

1505 (d) Phase I of repair and renovation or construction of 1506 dining facilities at Alcorn State University;

1507 (e) Construction of an Agricultural and Biotechnology
1508 Engineering Building and facilities for Mississippi State
1509 University/Division of Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary
1510 Medicine;

1511 (f) Repair and renovation of Farley Hall at the 1512 University of Mississippi;

1513 (g) Construction of a nursing/allied health/science 1514 laboratory facility at the University of Southern Mississippi/Gulf 1515 Coast Campus;

1516 (h) Repair and renovation of two (2) nursing homes at 1517 the East Mississippi State Hospital; and

1518 (i) Design of a communications infrastructure at the
1519 Capitol Complex and Education and Research Center Campus and
1520 connectivity between such locations.

1521 The projects authorized in this subsection shall be in 1522 addition to the projects authorized in subsection (1) of this 1523 section.

(a) A special fund to be designated as the 1524 Section 3. (1) 1525 "2002 Community and Junior Colleges Capital Improvements Fund" is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 1526 1527 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts 1528 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse 1529 1530 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit 1531 1532 of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for any purpose except as authorized under this act. 1533

1534 (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 1535 in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration,

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| | to pay the costs of acquisition of real property, construction of | | |
| 1537 | new facilities and addition to or renovation of existing | | |
| 1538 | facilities for community and junior college campuses as | | |
| 1539 | recommended by the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges. | | |
| 1540 | The amount to be expended at each community and junior college is | | |
| 1541 | as follows: | | |
| 1542 | Coahoma\$ 408,578.00 | | |
| 1543 | Copiah-Lincoln | | |
| 1544 | East Central | | |
| 1545 | East Mississippi | | |
| 1546 | Hinds 1,004,475.00 | | |
| 1547 | Holmes | | |
| 1548 | Itawamba | | |
| 1549 | Jones | | |
| 1550 | Meridian | | |
| 1551 | Mississippi Delta | | |
| 1552 | Mississippi Gulf Coast | | |
| 1553 | Northeast Mississippi | | |
| 1554 | Northwest Mississippi | | |
| 1555 | Pearl River | | |
| 1556 | Southwest Mississippi 437,162.00 | | |
| 1557 | GRAND TOTAL\$9,000,000.00 | | |
| 1558 | (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be | | |
| 1559 | disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) | | |
| 1560 | of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used | | |
| 1561 | within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds | | |
| 1562 | authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act are deposited | | |
| 1563 | into the special fund, then the community college or junior | | |
| 1564 | college for which any such monies are allocated under subsection | | |
| 1565 | (1) of this section shall provide an accounting of such unused | | |
| 1566 | monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission has | | |
| 1567 | certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described | | |
| 1568 | in subsection (1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot | | |
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be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 1574 (3) through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 1575 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 1576 1577 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 1578 The 1579 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 1580 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 1581 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 1582 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 1583 1584 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

1585 Section 4. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the 1586 "2002 Ayers Settlement Agreement Capital Improvements Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 1587 1588 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts 1589 1590 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse 1591 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit 1592 1593 of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for any purpose except as authorized under this section. 1594

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall constitute <u>Ayers</u> bond revenues to be disbursed by the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs of capital improvements at Alcorn State University, Jackson State University and Mississippi Valley State University as recommended by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning in order to comply with the Settlement Agreement in the case of Ayers vs. Musgrove.

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1602 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
1603 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1)
1604 of this section.

1605 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 1606 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 1607 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 1608 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 1609 The 1610 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 1611 1612 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 1613 1614 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 1615

It is the intent of the Legislature that not less than 1616 (4) 1617 ten percent (10%) of the amounts authorized to be expended in this 1618 section shall be expended with small business concerns owned and 1619 controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. The term "socially and economically disadvantaged individuals" 1620 1621 shall have the meaning ascribed to such term under Section 8(d) of the Small Business Act (15 USCS, Section 637(d)) and relevant 1622 1623 subcontracting regulations promulgated pursuant thereto; except 1624 that women shall be presumed to be socially and economically disadvantaged individuals for the purposes of this subsection. 1625

1626 Section 5. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the "2002 Mississippi Technology Innovation Center Fund," is created 1627 1628 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 1629 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 1630 1631 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 1632 1633 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit of the

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1634 fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for any 1635 purpose except as authorized under this section.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed
by the Department of Finance and Administration to the Mississippi
Technology Alliance, to pay the costs of computer network
equipment, electronic storage devices/systems, incubator build-out
and installation, storage and wiring at the Mississippi
E-center/Jackson State University.

1642 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 1643 disbursed to the Mississippi Technology Alliance to pay the costs 1644 of projects described in subsection (1) of this section.

1645 (3) The expenditure of monies deposited into the special
1646 fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and
1647 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State
1648 Treasurer to the Mississippi Technology Alliance upon warrants
1649 issued by such department, which warrants shall be issued upon
1650 requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of
1651 Finance and Administration, or his designee.

Section 6. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the 1652 1653 "2002 Holly Springs Training Center Capital Improvements Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 1654 1655 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 1656 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse 1657 1658 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit 1659 1660 of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for any purpose except as authorized under this section. 1661

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed
by the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs
of renovating, furnishing and equipping a training center in Holly
Springs, Mississippi.

1666 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
1667 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1)
1668 of this section.

The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 1669 (3) 1670 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 1671 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 1672 1673 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 1674 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 1675 1676 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 1677 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 1678 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 1679 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

1680 Section 7. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the "2002 City of Corinth Civil War Interpretive Center Auditorium 1681 Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be 1682 1683 maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. 1684 Unexpended 1685 amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or 1686 1687 investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or 1688 expended for any purpose except as authorized under this section. 1689

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed
by the Department of Finance and Administration to the City of
Corinth, Mississippi, to pay the costs of constructing the
auditorium wing of the Civil War Interpretive Center.

1694 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
1695 disbursed to the City of Corinth, Mississippi, to pay the costs of
1696 projects described in subsection (1) of this section.

1697 (3) Such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the 1698 City of Corinth, Mississippi, upon warrants issued by such

1699 Department of Finance and Administration, which warrants shall be 1700 issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the 1701 Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

1702 Section 8. (1) The commission, at one time, or from time to 1703 time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of 1704 general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes 1705 described in Sections 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7 of this act. Upon the 1706 1707 adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any 1708 1709 part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the Department of Finance and Administration shall 1710 1711 deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in 1712 its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form 1713 of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the 1714 bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things 1715 1716 necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 1 1717 1718 through 23 of this act shall not exceed One Hundred Thirty Million Seven Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$130,770,000.00). No 1719 1720 bonds shall be issued under this section after July 1, 2005. (2) The proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to this act 1721 shall be deposited into the following special funds in not more 1722 1723 than the following amounts: The 2002 IHL Capital and State Agencies 1724 (a) 1725 Improvements Fund created pursuant to Section 2 of this 1726 act.....\$116,740,000.00. The 2002 Community and Junior College Capital 1727 (b) Improvements Fund created pursuant to Section 3 of this 1728

1729 act.....\$ 9,000,000.00.
1730 (c) The 2002 Mississippi Technology Innovation Center

1731 Fund created pursuant to Section 5 of this act... \$ 1,000,000.00.

The 2002 Holly Springs Training Center Capital 1732 (d) Improvements Fund created pursuant to Section 6 of this 1733 380,000.00. 1734 act.....\$ 1735 The 2002 City of Corinth Civil War Interpretive (e) 1736 Center Auditorium Fund created pursuant to Section 7 of this 1737 act.....\$ 500,000.00.

1738 (f) The Rural Fire Truck Fund created pursuant to
1739 Section 17-23-1 for the rural fire truck acquisition assistance
1740 program......\$ 3,150,000.00.

1741 (3) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 1742 special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7 of this act 1743 shall be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 1 1744 through 23 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings 1745 authorizing issuance of such bonds.

Section 9. (1) The United States District Court for the 1746 1747 Northern District of Mississippi having approved the Settlement Agreement in the case of <u>Ayers v. Musgr</u>ove and on notification 1748 1749 that such agreement has become final and effective according to its terms, including, but not limited to, the exhaustion of all 1750 1751 rights to appeal, the commission, at one time, or from time to time, shall declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of 1752 1753 general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes 1754 described in Section 4 of this act. Upon the adoption of a 1755 1756 resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the 1757 1758 general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the 1759 Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified 1760 copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon 1761 receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds so 1762 1763 authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary 1764 and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such

1765 bonds. The total amount of bonds issued pursuant to this section 1766 shall not exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000.00).

1767 (2) The proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to this
1768 section shall be deposited into the special fund created in
1769 Section 4 of this act. Any investment earnings on amounts
1770 deposited into the special fund created in Section 4 of this act
1771 shall be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 1
1772 through 23 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings
1773 authorizing the issuance of such bonds.

Section 10. The principal of and interest on the bonds 1774 1775 authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act shall be payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall 1776 1777 bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set 1778 forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable 1779 at such place or places within or without the State of 1780 1781 Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to 1782 exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or 1783 1784 without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by 1785 1786 resolution of the commission.

The bonds authorized by Sections 1 through 23 of Section 11. 1787 this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by 1788 1789 his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the 1790 1791 commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such 1792 officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 1793 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 1794 1795 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers 1796 before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of 1797

1798 such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be 1799 valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as 1800 if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 1801 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in 1802 office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding 1803 anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as 1804 provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

Section 12. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of Sections 1 through 23 of this act have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by Sections 1 through 23 of this act, the commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Section 13. The commission shall act as the issuing agent 1812 for the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act, 1813 prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, 1814 1815 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 1816 1817 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 1818 1819 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 23 1820 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. 1821 1822 The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best 1823 1824 interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of 1825 delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on 1826 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; 1827 1828 however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not 1829 more than one (1) year.

Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of Sections 1 through 23 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

1842 Section 14. The bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 through 23 of this act are general obligations of the 1843 State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith 1844 and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. 1845 Ιf 1846 the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay 1847 the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from 1848 1849 any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially 1850 1851 covering the provisions of this section.

Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the Section 15. 1852 provisions of Sections 1 through 23 of this act, the commission 1853 1854 shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of this act 1855 1856 in the amounts provided for in Sections 8(2) and 9 of this act. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the 1857 order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such 1858 restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the resolution 1859 1860 providing for the issuance of the bonds.

Section 16. The bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 23 1862 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the

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1863 happening of any other conditions or things other than those 1864 proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by Sections 1 through 23 of this act. Any resolution providing 1865 1866 for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 1 1867 through 23 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its 1868 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 1869 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority of its members. 1870

Section 17. The bonds authorized under the authority of 1871 1872 Sections 1 through 23 of this act may be validated in the Chancery 1873 Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 1874 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of 1875 county, municipal, school district and other bonds. 1876 The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a 1877 newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of 1878 1879 Jackson, Mississippi.

1880 Section 18. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 through 23 of this act or of any of the interest 1881 1882 coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce 1883 1884 any and all rights granted under Sections 1 through 23 of this act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 1885 performance of all duties required by Sections 1 through 23 of 1886 1887 this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and interest thereon. 1888

Section 19. All bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 through 23 of this act shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and

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1896 political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of 1897 public funds.

1898 Section 20. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 1899 through 23 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from 1900 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

Section 21. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections 1902 1 through 23 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes 1903 herein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and 1904 sale of such bonds.

Section 22. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 1905 1906 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 1907 1908 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 1909 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 1910 accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of 1911 this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary 1912 1913 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on 1914 1915 the due dates thereof.

1916 Section 23. Sections 1 through 23 of this act shall be 1917 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the 1918 powers herein granted, but Sections 1 through 23 of this act shall 1919 not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any existing law 1920 of this state.

1921 SECTION 42. Sections 1 through 23, Chapter 600, Laws of 1922 2001, as amended by Section 45, Chapter 550, Laws of 2002, are 1923 amended as follows:

Section 1. As used in Sections 1 through 23 of this act, the following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

1927 (a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date1928 of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated

initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon 1929 1930 from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the 1931 1932 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 1933 maturity.

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"State" means the State of Mississippi. (b)

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 1935 (C)Section 2. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the 1936 "2001 State Agencies Capital Improvements Fund," is created within 1937 the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 1938 1939 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 1940 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 1941 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 1942 1943 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 1944 (b) in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 1945 1946 with the approval of the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning on those projects related to the universities 1947 1948 under its management and control, to pay the costs of capital improvements, renovation and/or repair of existing facilities, 1949 1950 furnishings and/or equipping facilities for public facilities for 1951 agencies or their successors as hereinafter described:

| 1952 | NAME | PROJECT | AMOUNT |
|------|--|----------------------|---------------|
| 1953 | | | ALLOCATED |
| 1954 | INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER L | EARNING \$ | 59,710,000.00 |
| 1955 | Alcorn State University. | \$ | 2,000,000.00 |
| 1956 | Roof repair and wat | erproofing | |
| 1957 | for campus facil | ities and repair | |
| 1958 | and renovation o | f and additions | |
| 1959 | to mechanical sy | stems\$ 1,000,000.00 | |
| 1960 | Completion of the H | onors Dormitory | |
| 1961 | currently under | construction | |
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| 1962 | including furniture and |
|------|--|
| 1963 | equipment and technology |
| 1964 | upgrades\$ 500,000.00 |
| 1965 | Furnishing and equipping of the |
| 1966 | library\$ 500,000.00 |
| 1967 | Delta State University\$ 6,200,000.00 |
| 1968 | Phase II of construction, furnishing |
| 1969 | and equipping of the Classroom |
| 1970 | Administration building\$ 5,900,000.00 |
| 1971 | Purchase of two (2) airplanes for the |
| 1972 | Gibson-Gunn Aviation |
| 1973 | School\$ 300,000.00 |
| 1974 | Jackson State University\$ 13,250,000.00 |
| 1975 | Completion of construction, |
| 1976 | furnishing and equipping of a |
| 1977 | school of business |
| 1978 | building\$13,000,000.00 |
| 1979 | Construction, furnishing and |
| 1980 | equipping a home for the |
| 1981 | University President\$ 250,000.00 |
| 1982 | Mississippi University for Women \$ 2,500,000.00 |
| 1983 | Demolition, construction, repair |
| 1984 | and renovation of campus |
| 1985 | facilities\$ 1,000,000.00 |
| 1986 | Repair and renovations related |
| 1987 | to storm damage occurring during |
| 1988 | the month of February 2001, and |
| 1989 | general repair and renovation |
| 1990 | of campus facilities\$ 1,500,000.00 |
| 1991 | Mississippi State University\$ 9,860,000.00 |
| 1992 | Phase III of renovation |
| 1993 | of the Hand Chemical Teaching |
| 1994 | Laboratory\$ 6,000,000.00 |
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| 1995 | Repair and renovations related |
|------|---|
| 1996 | to storm damage occurring |
| 1997 | during the month of |
| 1998 | February 2001\$ 3,860,000.00 |
| 1999 | Mississippi State University/Division of |
| 2000 | Agriculture, Forestry and |
| 2001 | Veterinary Medicine\$ 2,200,000.00 |
| 2002 | Utility upgrades of Bost |
| 2003 | Extension Center\$ 250,000.00 |
| 2004 | Renovation of laboratories for |
| 2005 | Biotechnology and Life |
| 2006 | Sciences Research use\$ 950,000.00 |
| 2007 | Equipment for life sciences |
| 2008 | and the College of Veterinary |
| 2009 | Medicine\$ 1,000,000.00 |
| 2010 | Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry |
| 2011 | Experiment Station\$ 1,200,000.00 |
| 2012 | Construction of a multi-purpose |
| 2013 | building at Stoneville\$ 1,200,000.00 |
| 2014 | Mississippi Valley State University \$ 4,500,000.00 |
| 2015 | Roof repair and waterproofing |
| 2016 | for campus facilities and repair |
| 2017 | and renovation of and additions |
| 2018 | to mechanical systems and |
| 2019 | renovations of dormitories\$ 4,500,000.00 |
| 2020 | University of Mississippi \$ 6,000,000.00 |
| 2021 | Renovation of Guyton Hall |
| 2022 | to house the School of |
| 2023 | Education\$ 4,000,000.00 |
| 2024 | General repair and renovation of |
| 2025 | campus facilities\$ 2,000,000.00 |
| 2026 | University Medical Center \$ 3,500,000.00 |
| 2027 | Construction of a classroom |
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facility.....\$ 3,500,000.00 2028 2029 University of Southern Mississippi..... \$ 5,000,000.00 Construction, furnishing and 2030 2031 equipping the Center for 2032 International and Continuing Education.....\$ 4,000,000.00 2033 2034 Construction, furnishing and 2035 equipping additions to the 3-D Art Building.....\$ 500,000.00 2036 General repair and renovation of 2037 2038 campus facilities.....\$ 500,000.00 University of Southern Mississippi/ 2039 2040 Gulf Coast Campus.....\$ 1,500,000.00 2041 Furnishing and equipping 2042 advanced education center and 2043 library.....\$ 1,500,000.00 University of Southern Mississippi/ 2044 2045 Gulf Coast Research Laboratory..... \$ 250,000.00 2046 Construction of necessary 2047 infrastructure at Cedar Point in Jackson County, 2048 250,000.00 Mississippi....\$ 2049 2050 University of Southern Mississippi/ Stennis Space Center.....\$ 2051 250,000.00 2052 Continuation of planning of 2053 construction of additions to Building 1020 at the Stennis 2054 2055 Space Center to support the masters program in hydrographic 2056 2057 science.....\$ 250,000.00 Education and Research Center..... \$ 1,500,000.00 2058 2059 General repair and renovation of 2060 facilities.....\$ 1,500,000.00 S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG PAGE 62

Authority for Educational Television..... \$ 4,460,000.00 2061 2062 Purchasing and installing antennas, towers, tower upgrades, tower 2063 2064 sites, transmission lines, 2065 transmitters and any equipment useful in establishing or maintaining a 2066 2067 digital transmission system to 2068 meet federal requirements...\$ 4,460,000.00 2069 Mississippi Forestry Commission.....\$ 500,000.00 Construction of a new 2070 training facility.....\$ 500,000.00 2071 Department of Mental Health..... \$ 7,500,000.00 2072 2073 Construction, furnishing and 2074 equipping of nursing home facilities 2075 at East Mississippi State Hospital in order to meet state 2076 licensure requirements.....\$ 7,500,000.00 2077 2078 Department of Public Safety..... \$ 2,000,000.00 2079 Construction, furnishing and 2080 equipping of a new Highway Safety 2081 Patrol Substation in the Jackson, Mississippi, metropolitan 2082 area.....\$ 2,000,000.00 2083 Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks..... \$ 5,150,000.00 2084 2085 Repair and renovation to roads, 2086 parks and cabins at state parks as determined necessary by the 2087 2088 Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks.....\$ 3,000,000.00 2089 2090 Construction and equipping of the North Mississippi Fish 2091 2092 Hatchery.....\$ 1,000,000.00 2093 Improvements to the Lyman State S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG

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Fish Hatchery.....\$ 1,000,000.00 2094 2095 Renovation and repair of the campground area at the John Kyle 2096 2097 State Park including shower facilities 2098 and electrical upgrades....\$ 150,000.00 Department of Finance and Administration..... \$ 13,500,000.00 2099 2100 Tenant build-out expenses related 2101 to repair and renovation of the Walter Sillers Building....\$10,000,000.00 2102 To initiate an ongoing program for 2103 2104 repair and renovation of state-owned facilities and institutions of 2105 2106 higher learning necessary for 2107 compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act.....\$ 3,500,000.00 2108 Department of Rehabilitation Services.....\$ 2109 100,000.00 Repair and renovation of the Addie 2110 2111 McBryde Center located at the University of Mississippi Medical Center 2112 2113 in Jackson, Mississippi....\$ 100,000.00 Mississippi Veterans Memorial Stadium......\$ 300,000.00 2114 2115 Repair and renovation necessary for compliance with the Americans 2116 With Disabilities Act.....\$ 2117 300,000.00 2118 Department of Education.....\$ 7,000,000.00 Phase II of construction, 2119 2120 furnishing and equipping of the Mississippi School of Fine Arts on 2121 the campus of Whitworth College in 2122 2123 Brookhaven, Mississippi....\$ 7,000,000.00 TOTAL..... \$100,220,000.00 2124 2125 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 2126 S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG PAGE 64

If any monies in such special fund are not used 2127 of this section. 2128 within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act are deposited 2129 2130 into the special fund, then the agency or institution of higher 2131 learning for which any unused monies are allocated under 2132 subsection (1) of this section shall provide an accounting of such unused monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission 2133 has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects 2134 described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been 2135 completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, 2136 2137 any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of 2138 2139 this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission. 2140

The Department of Finance and Administration, acting (3) 2141 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 2142 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 2143 2144 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 2145 The 2146 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 2147 2148 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 2149 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 2150 2151 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

Any amounts allocated to an agency or institution of 2152 (4) higher learning that are in excess of that needed to complete the 2153 projects at such agency or institution of higher learning that are 2154 described in subsection (1) of this section may be used for 2155 2156 general repairs and renovations at the agency or institution of higher learning to which such amount is allocated. 2157 In addition, 2158 any funds allocated to Delta State University under subsection (1) of this section that are in excess of that needed to complete the 2159

2160 projects at Delta State University that are described in

2161 subsection (1) of this section may be used for other capital projects at Delta State University authorized by the Legislature 2162 2163 regardless of when authorized. However, any funds allocated to 2164 the Mississippi University for Women under subsection (1) of this 2165 section, that are in excess of that needed to complete the projects for which the funds were allocated, may be used for the 2166 projects at the Mississippi University for Women described in 2167 Section 2 of Senate Bill No. 3197, 2002 Regular Session. 2168

(5) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, is authorized to preplan or continue planning of the following projects:

(a) Preplan through construction documents the
renovation of Martin Hall at the Mississippi University for Women
to accommodate the School of Nursing;

(b) Construction of a simulation and design center atMississippi State University;

(c) Renovation of the Pace Seed Technology Building to accommodate a life sciences program for Mississippi State University/Division of Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine;

2182 (d) Construction of a College of Health and Human2183 Sciences Building at the University of Southern Mississippi;

(e) Construction of an academic center at the ColumbiaTraining School in Marion County, Mississippi;

(f) Construction of the Mississippi Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in the Jackson, Mississippi, metropolitan area;

(g) Repair and renovation of the Education School Building at the University of Mississippi;

(h) Construction of a building to house the Departmentof Environmental Quality;

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(i) Construction of a building to house the MississippiEmergency Management Agency;

(j) Relocation of the headquarters of the Mississippi Department of Public Safety to a new location in the Jackson, Mississippi, metropolitan area;

(k) Completion of the construction of transitionalstudent housing at Jackson State University; and

(1) Repair and renovation of Demby Hall at Alcorn StateUniversity.

The projects authorized in this subsection shall be in addition to the projects authorized in subsection (1) of this section.

(a) A special fund, to be designated as the 2205 Section 3. (1)"2001 IHL Additional Repair and Renovation Fund," is created 2206 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 2207 2208 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 2209 2210 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 2211 2212 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs of critical repair and renovation needs of state institutions of higher learning.

2217 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (2)disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 2218 2219 of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds 2220 authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act are deposited 2221 into the special fund, then the Department of Finance and 2222 2223 Administration shall provide an accounting of such unused monies 2224 to the commission. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in 2225

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subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 2232 (3) through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 2233 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 2234 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 2235 2236 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 2237 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 2238 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 2239 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 2240 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 2241 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 2242 2243 Section 4. (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the "2001 Mississippi State-Owned Buildings Repair and Renovation 2244 2245 Fund" is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, 2246

2247 separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended 2248 amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall 2249 not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or 2250 investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into 2251 such fund.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs of repair and renovation of state-owned buildings and facilities and to pay the costs of necessary repairs and renovations to the Mississippi Federated Women's Club Building on property leased to the Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, Incorporated, pursuant to Chapter 514, Laws of 1983, as amended.

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Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 2259 (2) 2260 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in subsection (1) of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not 2261 2262 used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the 2263 bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act are 2264 deposited into the special fund, then the Department of Finance and Administration shall provide an accounting of such unused 2265 monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission has 2266 2267 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, 2268 2269 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 2270 2271 service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance 2272 of such bonds and as directed by the commission. 2273

2274 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 2275 2276 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 2277 2278 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 2279 2280 under the direction of the Department of Finance and Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 2281 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 2282 2283 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 2284 2285 Section 5. (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the "2001 Southaven IHL Center Fund" is created within the State 2286 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as 2287 a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 2288 2289 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at 2290 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General

Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs of constructing and equipping the Institutions of Higher Learning Center at Southaven, Mississippi.

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 2297 (2) disbursed to pay the costs of the project described in subsection 2298 (1) of this section; provided, however, that the use of money in 2299 such fund for the project shall be conditioned upon the receipt of 2300 2301 funds for such project by the Department of Finance and Administration in the amount of One Million Dollars 2302 (\$1,000,000.00) from the University of Mississippi, in the amount 2303 of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) from Northwest Community 2304 College and in the amount of Three Million Five Hundred Thousand 2305 Dollars (\$3,500,000.00) from DeSoto County. If any monies in such 2306 special fund are not used within four (4) years after the date the 2307 2308 proceeds of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act are deposited into the special fund, then the Department 2309 2310 of Finance and Administration shall provide an accounting of such unused monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission 2311 2312 has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been 2313 completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, 2314 2315 any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of 2316 2317 this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission. 2318

(3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting
through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and
expend any local or other source funds in connection with the
expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The

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expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

(a) A special fund to be designated as the 2330 Section 6. (1) "2001 Community and Junior Colleges Capital Improvements Fund" is 2331 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 2332 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 2333 2334 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse 2335 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment 2336 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit 2337 of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for 2338 any purpose except as authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of 2339 this act. 2340

2341 (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 2342 2343 to pay the costs of acquisition of real property, construction of new facilities and addition to or renovation of existing 2344 2345 facilities for community and junior college campuses as recommended by the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges. 2346 The amount to be expended at each community and junior college is 2347 2348 as follows:

| 2349 | Coahoma\$ | 506,969.00 |
|------|------------------|--------------|
| 2350 | Copiah-Lincoln | 721,707.00 |
| 2351 | East Central | 641,441.00 |
| 2352 | East Mississippi | 551,847.00 |
| 2353 | Hinds | 1,423,351.00 |
| 2354 | Holmes | 715,434.00 |
| 2355 | Itawamba | 755,486.00 |
| 2356 | Jones | 1,007,222.00 |
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| 2364 | GRAND TOTAL | \$12,000,000.00 |
|------|------------------------|-----------------|
| 2363 | Southwest Mississippi | 597,367.00 |
| 2362 | Pearl River | 729,106.00 |
| 2361 | Northwest Mississippi | 919,235.00 |
| 2360 | Northeast Mississippi | 788,944.00 |
| 2359 | Mississippi Gulf Coast | 1,159,872.00 |
| 2358 | Mississippi Delta | 749,535.00 |
| 2357 | Meridian | 732,484.00 |

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 2365 (2)disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 2366 2367 of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds 2368 authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act are deposited 2369 into the special fund, then the community college or junior 2370 college for which any such monies are allocated under subsection 2371 (1) of this section shall provide an accounting of such unused 2372 monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission has 2373 2374 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot 2375 2376 be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds 2377 2378 issued under Sections 1 through 23 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 2379 directed by the commission. 2380

2381 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 2382 2383 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 2384 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 2385 The 2386 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 2387 2388 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 2389

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2390 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director2391 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

Section 7. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the 2392 2393 "2001 Library Construction and Improvements Fund," is created 2394 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 2395 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 2396 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 2397 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 2398 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund. 2399

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration to the Mississippi Library Commission to be awarded as grants for the following projects in the following amounts:

(i) To assist in purchasing property located at
4931 Arthur Street, Moss Point, Mississippi, for use as a library
in the Jackson County/George County Regional
Library System.....\$250,000.00.

(ii) To assist in the construction of a new public
library on the campus of Hickory Flat High School in Benton,
County......\$150,000.00.

(iii) To assist in repairs and renovations
necessary for the Sardis Regional Library to comply with the
Americans With Disabilities Act.....\$150,000.00.

2414 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be disbursed to pay a portion of the cost of the projects described 2415 2416 in subsection (1) of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used within four (4) years after the date the 2417 proceeds of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of 2418 this act are deposited into the special fund, then the Department 2419 of Finance and Administration shall provide an accounting of such 2420 2421 unused monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the project 2422

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described in subsection (1) of this section has been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

(3) The expenditure of monies deposited into the special
fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and
Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State
Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants
shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director
of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

2435 Section 8. (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the "2001 New Capitol Repair and Renovation Fund" is created within 2436 the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 2437 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 2438 2439 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 2440 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 2441 2442 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs of repair and renovation of the New Capitol.

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 2446 (2) 2447 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in subsection (1) of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not 2448 2449 used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act are 2450 deposited into the special fund, then the Department of Finance 2451 and Administration shall provide an accounting of such unused 2452 monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission has 2453 2454 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, 2455

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abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

2461 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 2462 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 2463 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 2464 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 2465 The 2466 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 2467 2468 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 2469 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 2470 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 2471

The commission, at one time, or from time to 2472 Section 9. (1) 2473 time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 2474 2475 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of this act. 2476 Upon 2477 the adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any 2478 part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this 2479 2480 section, the Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the 2481 2482 commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form 2483 of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the 2484 2485 bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale 2486 2487 of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of this act shall not exceed One Hundred Twenty Million 2488

Nine Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$120,970,000.00). No bonds 2489 2490 shall be issued under Sections 1 through 23 of this act after July 1, 2004. 2491

2492 (2) The proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to Sections 1 2493 through 23 of this act shall be deposited into the following 2494 special funds in not more than the following amounts:

The 2001 State Agencies Capital Improvements Fund 2495 (a) created pursuant to Section 2 of this act..... \$100,220,000.00. 2496

2497 (b) The 2001 IHL Additional Repair and Renovation Fund created pursuant to Section 3 of this act..... \$ 2,000,000.00. 2498

2499 (C) The 2001 Mississippi State-Owned Buildings Repair and Renovation Fund created pursuant to Section 4 of this 2500 2501 act.....\$ 4,000,000.00. 2502 (d) The 2001 Southaven IHL Center Fund created pursuant

2503 to Section 5 of this act..... \$ 2,000,000.00. 2504 The 2001 Community and Junior Colleges Capital (e) 2505 Improvements Fund created pursuant to Section 6 of this

2506 act..... \$ 12,000,000.00. The 2001 Library Construction and Improvements Fund 2507 (f)

2508 created pursuant to Section 7 of this act..... \$ 550,000.00.

The 2001 New Capitol Repair and Renovation Fund (g) 2510 created pursuant to Section 8 of this act..... \$ 200,000.00. (3) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 2511 special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of this 2512 2513 act shall be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of this act, in accordance with the 2514 2515 proceedings authorizing issuance of such bonds.

Section 10. The principal of and interest on the bonds 2516 authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act shall be 2517 2518 payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, 2519 2520 bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable 2521

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at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the commission.

Section 11. The bonds authorized by Sections 1 through 23 of 2529 this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by 2530 his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission 2531 2532 shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such 2533 2534 bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 2535 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 2536 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers 2537 2538 before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have 2539 been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be 2540 2541 valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 2542 2543 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding 2544 anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as 2545 2546 provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi. Section 12. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the 2547 2548 provisions of Sections 1 through 23 of this act have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the 2549 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the 2550

2551 powers granted by Sections 1 through 23 of this act, the 2552 commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the 2553 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

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2554 Section 13. The commission shall act as the issuing agent 2555 for the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, 2556 2557 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 2558 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 2559 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 2560 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 2561 2562 and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 23 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. 2563 2564 The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best 2565 2566 interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of 2567 delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on 2568 2569 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; 2570 however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not 2571 more than one (1) year.

2572 Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at 2573 least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of 2574 sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers 2575 published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, 2576 Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial 2577 journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the 2578 commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of Sections 1 through 23 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

2584 Section 14. The bonds issued under the provisions of 2585 Sections 1 through 23 of this act are general obligations of the 2586 State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith

and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. 2587 Ιf 2588 the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become 2589 2590 due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from 2591 any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All 2592 such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of this section. 2593

Section 15. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the 2594 provisions of Sections 1 through 23 of this act, the commission 2595 shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the 2596 2597 special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of this act in the amount provided for in Section 9(2) of this act. 2598 The 2599 proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such 2600 restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the resolution 2601 2602 providing for the issuance of the bonds.

Section 16. The bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 23 2603 2604 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those 2605 2606 proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by Sections 1 through 23 of this act. Any resolution providing 2607 2608 for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 1 2609 through 23 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 2610 2611 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority of its members. 2612

Section 17. The bonds authorized under the authority of Sections 1 through 23 of this act may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a

2620 newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of 2621 Jackson, Mississippi.

Section 18. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 2622 2623 of Sections 1 through 23 of this act or of any of the interest 2624 coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by 2625 suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under Sections 1 through 23 of this 2626 act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 2627 performance of all duties required by Sections 1 through 23 of 2628 this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 2629 2630 bonds and interest thereon.

Section 19. All bonds issued under the provisions of 2631 2632 Sections 1 through 23 of this act shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust 2633 companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the 2634 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities 2635 2636 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public 2637 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of 2638 2639 public funds.

2640 Section 20. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 2641 through 23 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from 2642 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

2643 Section 21. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections 2644 1 through 23 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes 2645 herein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and 2646 sale of such bonds.

Section 22. The State Treasurer is authorized, without further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the

2653 accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 1 through 23 of 2654 this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary 2655 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds 2656 in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on 2657 the due dates thereof.

Section 23. Sections 1 through 23 of this act shall be deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but Sections 1 through 23 of this act shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any existing law of this state.

2663 **SECTION 43.** Sections 43 through 59, Chapter 600, Laws of 2664 2001, are amended as follows:

2665 Section 43. As used in Sections 43 through 59 of this act, 2666 the following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless 2667 the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date
of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated
initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon
from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate,
compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the
approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same
maturity.

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(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 2676 (C) 2677 Section 44. (1)(a) A special fund to be designated as the "2001 Mississippi Veterans Memorial Stadium Improvements Fund" is 2678 2679 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 2680 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts 2681 2682 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or 2683 2684 investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund. 2685

Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 2686 (b) in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 2687 for the purpose of providing funds for the repair and renovation 2688 2689 of Mississippi Veterans Memorial Stadium.

2690 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 2691 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in subsection (1) of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, 2692 by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in 2693 subsection (1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be 2694 completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such 2695 2696 special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 43 through 59 of this act, in accordance 2697 2698 with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission. 2699

The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 2700 (3) 2701 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 2702 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 2703 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 2704 The 2705 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 2706 2707 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 2708 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 2709 2710 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. Section 45. (1) * * * The commission, at one time, or from 2711 2712 time to time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 2713 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes 2714 2715 described in Section 44 of this act. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, 2716 2717 declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the 2718

2719 Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified 2720 copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may 2721 2722 act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, 2723 advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so 2724 authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such 2725 The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 43 through 2726 bonds. 59 of this act shall not exceed Three Million Eight Hundred 2727 Thousand Dollars (\$3,800,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 2728 2729 Sections 43 through 59 of this act after July 1, 2004. * * *

2730 (2) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 2731 special fund created in Section 44 of this act shall be used to 2732 pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 43 through 59 of 2733 this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance 2734 of such bonds.

Section 46. The principal of and interest on the bonds 2735 2736 authorized under Sections 43 through 59 of this act shall be payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall 2737 2738 bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set 2739 forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable 2740 at such place or places within or without the State of 2741 2742 Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to 2743 exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or 2744 2745 without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by 2746 resolution of the commission. 2747

2748 Section 47. The bonds authorized by Sections 43 through 59 2749 of this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or 2750 by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the

2751 commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of

the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to 2752 2753 such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 2754 2755 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 2756 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers 2757 before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of 2758 such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be 2759 valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as 2760 if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 2761 2762 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding 2763 2764 anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi. 2765

Section 48. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of Sections 43 through 59 of this act have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by Sections 43 through 59 of this act, the commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

2773 Section 49. The commission shall act as the issuing agent for the bonds authorized under Sections 43 through 59 of this act, 2774 prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, 2775 2776 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 2777 2778 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 2779 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 2780 2781 and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 43 through 59 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. 2782 2783 The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best 2784

interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not more than one (1) year.

2791 Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at 2792 least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of 2793 sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers 2794 published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, 2795 Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial 2796 journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the 2797 commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of Sections 43 through 59 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

Section 50. The bonds issued under the provisions of 2803 2804 Sections 43 through 59 of this act are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith 2805 2806 and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If 2807 the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay 2808 the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become 2809 due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All 2810 such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially 2811 covering the provisions of this section. 2812

Section 51. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of Sections 43 through 59 of this act, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in Section 44 of this act. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the

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2818 Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, 2819 if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the 2820 issuance of the bonds.

2821 Section 52. The bonds authorized under Sections 43 through 2822 59 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the 2823 happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required 2824 by Sections 43 through 59 of this act. Any resolution providing 2825 for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 43 2826 through 59 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its 2827 2828 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 2829 2830 of its members.

Section 53. The bonds authorized under the authority of 2831 Sections 43 through 59 of this act may be validated in the 2832 Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, 2833 2834 Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided 2835 by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. 2836 2837 The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation 2838 2839 in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions Section 54. 2840 of Sections 43 through 59 of this act or of any of the interest 2841 2842 coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce 2843 2844 any and all rights granted under Sections 43 through 59 of this act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 2845 performance of all duties required by Sections 43 through 59 of 2846 this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 2847 2848 bonds and interest thereon.

2849 Section 55. All bonds issued under the provisions of 2850 Sections 43 through 59 of this act shall be legal investments for

trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of public funds.

2858 Section 56. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 43 2859 through 59 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from 2860 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

2861 Section 57. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections 2862 43 through 59 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes 2863 herein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and 2864 sale of such bonds.

2865 Section 58. The State Treasurer is authorized, without further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance 2866 and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 2867 2868 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 2869 2870 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 43 through 59 2871 2872 of this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds 2873 in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on 2874 2875 the due dates thereof.

2876 Section 59. Sections 43 through 59 of this act shall be 2877 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the 2878 powers herein granted, but Sections 43 through 59 of this act 2879 shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any 2880 existing law of this state.

2881 **SECTION 44.** Sections 1 through 20, Chapter 595, Laws of 2882 1999, as amended by Chapter 361, Laws of 2000, is amended as

2883 follows:

Section 1. As used in Sections 1 through 20 of this act, the 2884 following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the 2885 context clearly requires otherwise: 2886

2887 (a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date 2888 of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated 2889 initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, 2890 compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the 2891 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 2892 2893 maturity.

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(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

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"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C)

2896 Section 2. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the "1999 IHL Capital Improvements Fund," is created within the State 2897 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as 2898 a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 2899 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at 2900 2901 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 2902 2903 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 2904 (b) 2905 in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs of capital improvements, renovation and/or repair 2906 of existing facilities, furnishings and/or equipping facilities 2907 2908 for public facilities for agencies or their successors as hereinafter described: 2909

| 2910 | NAME | PROJECT | AMOUNT |
|------|--|--------------------|--------------|
| 2911 | | | ALLOCATED |
| 2912 | INSTITUTIONS OF | HIGHER LEARNING | |
| 2913 | Alcorn State Uni | versity\$ | 6,800,000.00 |
| 2914 | Improvement | s to campus water, | |
| 2915 | waste | and mechanical | |
| 2916 | system | s, preplanning of | |
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| 2917 | a business school and | |
|------|---|--|
| 2918 | facilities, preplanning, | |
| 2919 | repair and renovation of | |
| 2920 | campus facilities and | |
| 2921 | purchase of equipment | |
| 2922 | and furniture\$ 6,700,000.00 | |
| 2923 | Preplanning of a Fine Arts | |
| 2924 | facility to be located at | |
| 2925 | Natchez\$ 100,000.00 | |
| 2926 | Delta State University\$ 4,900,000.00 | |
| 2927 | Phase I of construction of | |
| 2928 | a classroom and | |
| 2929 | administration building\$ 4,000,000.00 | |
| 2930 | Repair and renovation of | |
| 2931 | campus facilities\$ 900,000.00 | |
| 2932 | Jackson State University\$ 8,300,000.00 | |
| 2933 | Phase I of construction of | |
| 2934 | a school of business | |
| 2935 | building\$ 7,000,000.00 | |
| 2936 | Preplanning for a building | |
| 2937 | for a School of | |
| 2938 | Engineering, preplanning, | |
| 2939 | repair and renovation | |
| 2940 | of campus facilities, | |
| 2941 | renovations necessary | |
| 2942 | for compliance with | |
| 2943 | the Americans with | |
| 2944 | Disabilities Act and | |
| 2945 | purchase of equipment | |
| 2946 | and furniture\$ 1,200,000.00 | |
| 2947 | Preplanning of a conference | |
| 2948 | center\$ 100,000.00 | |
| 2949 | Mississippi University for Women\$ 4,900,000.00 | |
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Renovation, repair and 2950 2951 restoration of campus facilities.....\$ 4,900,000.00 2952 2953 Mississippi State University..... \$10,500,000.00 2954 Construction of a landscape architecture building, 2955 2956 road construction, 2957 renovation and repair of 2958 campus facilities, including restoration and 2959 2960 repair of the old YMCA Building.....\$10,500,000.00 2961 2962 Forestry and Wildlife Research Center..... \$ 3,000,000.00 2963 Construction of a furniture 2964 testing laboratory.....\$ 3,000,000.00 2965 Mississippi Valley State University..... \$ 4,900,000.00 2966 2967 Preplanning of a 2968 wellness center\$ 300,000.00 2969 Preplanning of a science and 2970 technology building\$ 200,000.00 2971 Preplanning, renovation 2972 and repair of campus 2973 2974 facilities and purchase of equipment and 2975 2976 furniture.....\$ 4,400,000.00 University Medical Center..... \$ 1,000,000.00 2977 Repair and renovation and furnishing 2978 2979 and equipping of a classroom facility with not more than 2980 2981 \$300,000.00 of such funds used 2982 for furnishing and equipping of S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG

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such facility.....\$ 1,000,000.00 2983 2984 University of Mississippi..... \$10,500,000.00 Phase II of construction of 2985 2986 a performing arts 2987 center.....\$10,000,000.00 2988 Renovation and repair of 2989 campus facilities.....\$ 500,000.00 University of Southern Mississippi..... \$10,500,000.00 2990 2991 Preplanning of a student services building.....\$ 500,000.00 2992 2993 Renovation of the Polymer Science Research 2994 2995 Center....\$ 6,000,000.00 General renovations and 2996 2997 repairs.....\$ 4,000,000.00 2998 University of Southern Mississippi/ 2999 Gulf Park Campus.....\$ 3,000,000.00 Phase II of construction of 3000 3001 new buildings and 3002 campus infrastructure....\$ 3,000,000.00 University of Southern Mississippi/ 3003 3004 Gulf Coast Research Lab.....\$ 500,000.00 3005 Repairs and renovations to campus facilities.....\$ 500,000.00 3006 3007 University of Mississippi Advanced Education Center in Tupelo..... \$ 1,800,000.00 3008 3009 Construction, equipping, furnishing, repair and 3010 renovation of the Advanced 3011 Education Center.....\$ 1,800,000.00 3012 TOTAL.....\$70,600,000.00 3013 3014 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 3015 S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG PAGE 91

of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by 3016 3017 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or 3018 3019 cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in 3020 such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, in 3021 accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such 3022 bonds and as directed by the commission. 3023

3024 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 3025 3026 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 3027 3028 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 3029 3030 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 3031 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 3032 3033 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 3034

3035 (4) Any amounts allocated to an institution of higher
3036 learning that are in excess of that needed to complete the
3037 projects at such institution of higher learning that are described
3038 in subsection (1) of this section may be used for general repairs
3039 and renovations of the institution of higher learning to which
3040 such amount is allocated.

(a) A special fund to be designated as the 3041 Section 3. (1) 3042 "1999 Community and Junior Colleges Capital Improvements Fund" is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 3043 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 3044 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts 3045 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse 3046 3047 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit 3048

3049 of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for 3050 any purpose except as authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of 3051 this act.

3052 (b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) of 3053 this subsection monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 3054 to pay the costs of construction of new facilities and addition to 3055 or renovation of existing facilities, or community and junior 3056 college campuses as recommended by the State Board of Community 3057 and Junior Colleges. The amount to be expended at each community 3058 3059 and junior college is as follows:

| 3060 | Coahoma\$ 626,750.00 |
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| 3061 | Copiah-Lincoln |
| 3062 | East Central |
| 3063 | East Mississippi |
| 3064 | Hinds 1,735,250.00 |
| 3065 | Holmes |
| 3066 | Itawamba |
| 3067 | Jones 1,258,250.00 |
| 3068 | Meridian |
| 3069 | Mississippi Delta |
| 3070 | Mississippi Gulf Coast 1,561,250.00 |
| 3071 | Northeast Mississippi |
| 3072 | Northwest Mississippi 1,123,250.00 |
| 3073 | Pearl River |
| 3074 | Southwest Mississippi |
| 3075 | GRAND TOTAL \$15,000,000.00 |
| 3076 | (c) In addition to the purposes for which monies |
| | |

3077 deposited in the fund are authorized to be disbursed that are 3078 provided for in paragraph (b) of this subsection, monies in the 3079 fund allocated to Copiah-Lincoln Community college, may be 3080 disbursed to pay the cost of the purchase of land in Natchez,

3081 Mississippi.

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Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 3082 (2) 3083 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by 3084 3085 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection 3086 (1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed 3087 in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under 3088 3089 Sections 1 through 20 of this act, in accordance with the 3090 proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission. 3091

3092 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 3093 3094 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 3095 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 3096 The 3097 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 3098 3099 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 3100 3101 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 3102

3103 Section 4. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the "1999 Mississippi ETV Broadcast Center Addition and Digital 3104 Television Equipment Fund," is created within the State Treasury. 3105 3106 The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the 3107 3108 state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any 3109 interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund 3110 shall be deposited into such fund. 3111

3112 (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 3113 in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 3114 to pay the costs of (i) establishing the transmitters and tower

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3115 for WMAA-TV; (ii) the construction of an addition to the 3116 Mississippi Educational Television Broadcast Center, including 3117 necessary furnishings and equipment; and (iii) the purchase and 3118 installation of antennas, towers, tower upgrades, tower sites, 3119 transmission lines, transmitters and any equipment useful in 3120 establishing or maintaining a digital or analog transmission 3121 system.

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 3122 (2) disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 3123 Promptly after the commission has certified, by 3124 of this section. 3125 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or 3126 3127 cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the 3128 bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, in 3129 3130 accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such 3131 bonds and as directed by the commission.

3132 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 3133 3134 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 3135 3136 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 3137 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 3138 3139 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 3140 3141 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 3142 Section 5. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the 3143 "1999 Mississippi School of Fine Arts Construction Fund," is 3144 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 3145

3146 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 3147 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts

3148 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse 3149 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment 3150 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, as follows:

3154 (i) Eight Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars
3155 (\$8,400,000.00) to pay the cost of constructing, furnishing and
3156 equipping the Mississippi School of Fine Arts on the campus of
3157 Whitworth College in Brookhaven, Mississippi.

(ii) Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars
(\$3,500,000.00) to pay the cost of renovations and repairs to, and
improvements, furnishings and equipment for, Brookhaven High
School that are necessary to enable Brookhaven High School to
provide academic offerings to students attending the Mississippi
School of Fine Arts.

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 3164 (2) 3165 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) Promptly after the commission has certified, by 3166 of this section. 3167 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or 3168 3169 cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the 3170 bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, in 3171 3172 accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission. 3173

3174 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 3175 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 3176 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 3177 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 3178 The 3179 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 3180

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Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

3185 Section 6. (1) The commission, at one time, or from time to 3186 time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 3187 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes 3188 described in Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this act. Upon the 3189 adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and 3190 3191 Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this 3192 section, the Department of Finance and Administration shall 3193 deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the 3194 commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in 3195 its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form 3196 of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the 3197 3198 bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale 3199 3200 of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall not exceed One Hundred Two Million 3201 3202 Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$102,500,000.00).

3203 (2) The proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to Sections 1 3204 through 20 of this act shall be deposited into the following 3205 special funds in not more than the following amounts:

The 1999 IHL Capital Improvements Fund created 3206 (a) 3207 pursuant to Section 2 of this act..... \$70,600,000.00. The 1999 Community and Junior Colleges Capital 3208 (b) Improvements Fund created pursuant to Section 3 of this 3209 act.....\$15,000,000.00. 3210 3211 (C) The 1999 Mississippi ETV Broadcast Center Addition 3212 and Digital Television Equipment Fund created pursuant to Section 3213 4 of this act..... \$ 5,000,000.00. S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG

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3217 (3) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 3218 special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this act shall 3219 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 1 3220 through 20 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings 3221 authorizing issuance of such bonds.

Section 7. The principal of and interest on the bonds 3222 authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall be 3223 3224 payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, 3225 3226 bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable 3227 at such place or places within or without the State of 3228 Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to 3229 exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable 3230 3231 before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and 3232 3233 shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the commission. 3234

3235 Section 8. The bonds authorized by Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by 3236 his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission 3237 3238 shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such 3239 3240 bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 3241 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 3242 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers 3243 before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have 3244 3245 been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be 3246

3247 valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as 3248 if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 3249 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in 3250 office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding 3251 anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as 3252 provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

3253 Section 9. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the 3254 provisions of Sections 1 through 20 of this act have all the 3255 qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the 3256 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the 3257 powers granted by Sections 1 through 20 of this act, the 3258 commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the 3259 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Section 10. The commission shall act as the issuing agent 3260 for the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, 3261 prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, 3262 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 3263 3264 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 3265 3266 issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 3267 3268 and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. 3269 The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public 3270 3271 sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be 3272 3273 made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on 3274 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; 3275 however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not 3276 3277 more than one (1) year.

3278 Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at 3279 least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of

3280 sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers 3281 published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, 3282 Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial 3283 journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the 3284 commission.

3285 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 3286 Sections 1 through 20 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the 3287 option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment 3288 and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued 3289 interest on such date or dates named therein.

3290 Section 11. The bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 through 20 of this act are general obligations of the 3291 3292 State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. 3293 Ιf the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay 3294 the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become 3295 due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from 3296 3297 any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. A11 such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially 3298 3299 covering the provisions of this section.

Section 12. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the 3300 3301 provisions of Sections 1 through 20 of this act, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the 3302 special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this act in the 3303 3304 amounts provided for in Section 6(2) of this act. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the 3305 3306 Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, 3307 if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds. 3308

3309 Section 13. The bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 20 3310 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the 3311 happening of any other conditions or things other than those 3312 proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required

3313 by Sections 1 through 20 of this act. Any resolution providing 3314 for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 1 3315 through 20 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its 3316 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 3317 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 3318 of its members.

Section 14. The bonds authorized under the authority of 3319 Sections 1 through 20 of this act may be validated in the Chancery 3320 Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, 3321 3322 in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 3323 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to 3324 3325 taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of 3326 Jackson, Mississippi. 3327

Section 15. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 3328 of Sections 1 through 20 of this act or of any of the interest 3329 3330 coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce 3331 3332 any and all rights granted under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 3333 3334 performance of all duties required by Sections 1 through 20 of this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 3335 3336 bonds and interest thereon.

3337 Section 16. All bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall be legal investments for 3338 3339 trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the 3340 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities 3341 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public 3342 3343 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and 3344 political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of

3345 public funds.

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3346 Section 17. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 3347 through 20 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from 3348 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

3349 Section 18. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections 3350 1 through 20 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes 3351 herein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and 3352 sale of such bonds.

Section 19. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 3353 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance 3354 3355 and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 3356 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 3357 3358 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of 3359 this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary 3360 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds 3361 3362 in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on 3363 the due dates thereof.

3364 Section 20. Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall be 3365 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the 3366 powers herein granted, but Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall 3367 not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any existing law 3368 of this state.

3369 **SECTION 45.** Sections 1 through 20, Chapter 583, Laws of 3370 2000, as amended by Chapter 550, Laws of 2002, are amended as 3371 follows:

3372 Section 1. As used in Sections 1 through 20 of this act, the 3373 following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the 3374 context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date
of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated
initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon
from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate,

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compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the 3379 3380 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 3381 maturity.

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"State" means the State of Mississippi. (b)

3383 (C)"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 3384 Section 2. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the "2000 State Agencies Capital Improvements Fund," is created within 3385 the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 3386 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 3387 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 3388 3389 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 3390 3391 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 3392 (b) in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 3393 with the approval of the Board of Trustees of State Institutions 3394 of Higher Learning on those projects related to the universities 3395 3396 under its management and control, to pay the costs of capital improvements, renovation and/or repair of existing facilities, 3397 3398 furnishings and/or equipping facilities for public facilities for agencies or their successors as hereinafter described: 3399

PROJECT

NAME AMOUNT 3401 ALLOCATED 3402 3403 Alcorn State University.....\$ 10,324,000.00 3404 Construction and equipping 3405 a business school building suitable to 3406 house an MBA program 3407 and renovations to 3408 other business school 3409 3410 facilities.....\$ 9,500,000.00 Roof repair and waterproofing 3411 S. B. No. 2988

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| 3412 | for campus facilities |
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| 3413 | and maintenance and |
| 3414 | repair of mechanical |
| 3415 | systems\$ 824,000.00 |
| 3416 | Delta State University\$ 1,941,000.00 |
| 3417 | Repair, renovation and |
| 3418 | restoration of the |
| 3419 | Cutrer House at |
| 3420 | the Clarksdale |
| 3421 | Center\$ 1,000,000.00 |
| 3422 | Roof repair and waterproofing |
| 3423 | for campus facilities |
| 3424 | and maintenance and |
| 3425 | repair of mechanical |
| 3426 | systems\$ 941,000.00 |
| 3427 | Jackson State University\$ 2,677,000.00 |
| 3428 | Completion of Phase I construction <u>,</u> |
| 3429 | furnishing and equipping |
| 3430 | of transitional student |
| 3431 | housing\$ 1,500,000.00 |
| 3432 | Roof repair and waterproofing |
| 3433 | for campus facilities |
| 3434 | and maintenance and |
| 3435 | repair of mechanical |
| 3436 | systems\$ 1,177,000.00 |
| 3437 | Mississippi University for Women\$ 588,000.00 |
| 3438 | Roof repair and waterproofing |
| 3439 | for campus facilities |
| 3440 | and maintenance and |
| 3441 | repair of mechanical |
| 3442 | systems\$ 588,000.00 |
| 3443 | Mississippi State University\$ 5,206,000.00 |
| 3444 | Phase II of renovation |
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| 3446 | Chemical Teaching | |
| 3447 | Laboratory\$ 3,500,000.00 | |
| 3448 | Construction, repair, renovation, | |
| 3449 | furnishing and equipping | |
| 3450 | of buildings for the | |
| 3451 | School of Architecture on | |
| 3452 | Capitol Street in Jackson, | |
| 3453 | Mississippi\$ 1,706,000.00 | |
| 3454 | Mississippi State University/Division of | |
| 3455 | Agriculture, Forestry and | |
| 3456 | Veterinary Medicine\$ 3,981,000.00 | |
| 3457 | Upgrades to heating | |
| 3458 | and cooling | |
| 3459 | systems, repairs | |
| 3460 | and renovations to | |
| 3461 | the Wise Center | |
| 3462 | Complex and purchase | |
| 3463 | of equipment for such | |
| 3464 | center\$ 3,000,000.00 | |
| 3465 | Construction, repair, | |
| 3466 | renovation, expansion, | |
| 3467 | equipping and furnishing | |
| 3468 | of an open air arena for | |
| 3469 | the cooperative extension | |
| 3470 | service\$ 210,000.00 | |
| 3471 | Repairs, renovations, additions, | |
| 3472 | construction and improvements | |
| 3473 | that are necessary for the | |
| 3474 | Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory | |
| 3475 | to assist poultry producers | |
| 3476 | and processors in diagnosing | |
| 3477 | and controlling poultry | |
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| 3478 | diseases\$ 500,000.00 | |
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| 3479 | Repair and renovation of | |
| 3480 | facilities\$ 271,000.00 | |
| 3481 | Mississippi Valley State University\$ 5,238,000.00 | |
| 3482 | Phase II of construction, | |
| 3483 | repair and renovation | |
| 3484 | of the business | |
| 3485 | school\$ 3,800,000.00 | |
| 3486 | Waste water treatment system | |
| 3487 | improvements\$ 850,000.00 | |
| 3488 | Roof repair and waterproofing | |
| 3489 | for campus facilities | |
| 3490 | and maintenance and | |
| 3491 | repair of mechanical | |
| 3492 | systems\$ 588,000.00 | |
| 3493 | University of Mississippi\$ 3,500,000.00 | |
| 3494 | Physical plant | |
| 3495 | relocation\$ 2,000,000.00 | |
| 3496 | Roof repair and waterproofing | |
| 3497 | for campus facilities | |
| 3498 | and maintenance and | |
| 3499 | repair of mechanical | |
| 3500 | systems\$ 1,500,000.00 | |
| 3501 | University Medical Center\$ 388,000.00 | |
| 3502 | Roof repair and waterproofing | |
| 3503 | for campus facilities | |
| 3504 | and maintenance and | |
| 3505 | repair of mechanical | |
| 3506 | systems\$ 388,000.00 | |
| 3507 | University of Southern Mississippi\$ 1,058,000.00 | |
| 3508 | Roof repair and waterproofing | |
| 3509 | for campus facilities | |
| 3510 | and maintenance and | |
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| 3511 | repair of mechanical |
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| 3512 | systems and improvements |
| 3513 | to campus technology |
| 3514 | infrastructure\$ 1,058,000.00 |
| 3515 | University of Southern Mississippi/ |
| 3516 | Gulf Park Campus\$ 2,188,000.00 |
| 3517 | Repair, renovation, |
| 3518 | replacement and |
| 3519 | improvement of campus |
| 3520 | infrastructure\$ 1,800,000.00 |
| 3521 | Roof repair and waterproofing |
| 3522 | for campus facilities |
| 3523 | and maintenance and |
| 3524 | repair of mechanical |
| 3525 | systems\$ 388,000.00 |
| 3526 | University of Southern Mississippi/ |
| 3527 | Gulf Coast Research Laboratory\$ 1,030,000.00 |
| 3528 | Matching funds for federal |
| 3529 | infrastructure grant |
| 3530 | at Cedar Point in |
| 3531 | Jackson County, |
| 3532 | Mississippi\$ 900,000.00 |
| 3533 | Roof repair and waterproofing |
| 3534 | for campus facilities |
| 3535 | and maintenance and |
| 3536 | repair of mechanical |
| 3537 | systems\$ 130,000.00 |
| 3538 | Education and Research Center\$ 353,000.00 |
| 3539 | Roof repair and waterproofing |
| 3540 | for campus facilities |
| 3541 | and maintenance and |
| 3542 | repair of mechanical |
| 3543 | systems\$ 353,000.00 |
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AUTHORITY FOR EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION \$ 3,500,000.00 3544 3545 Purchasing and installing antennas, towers, tower 3546 3547 upgrades, tower sites, 3548 transmission lines, 3549 transmitters and any 3550 equipment useful in 3551 establishing or 3552 maintaining a digital transmission system 3553 3554 to meet federal requirements....\$ 3,500,000.00 3555 **DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH**..... \$15,286,000.00 3556 3557 Phase I of construction, 3558 furnishing and equipping 3559 of new receiving units.....\$13,786,000.00 3560 3561 Repair and renovation of department facilities with priority 3562 3563 given to roofing, waterproofing, HVAC and 3564 infrastructure..\$ 1,500,000.00 3565 **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**..... \$ 7,000,000.00 3566 Repair and renovation 3567 3568 of the Walter Sillers Building.....\$ 7,000,000.00 3569 **MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD**..... \$ 2,600,000.00 3570 Provide matching funds to the 3571 3572 Mississippi National Guard 3573 for construction of an armory in Vicksburg, 3574 3575 Mississippi....\$ 2,600,000.00 MISSISSIPPI SCHOOLS FOR THE BLIND AND DEAF..... \$ 4,000,000.00 3576 S. B. No. 2988 03/SS02/R1164SG PAGE 108

| 3577 | Construction of a perimeter |
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| 3578 | fence around the |
| 3579 | campuses, renovation of |
| 3580 | Saunders Hall and addition |
| 3581 | of an academic center to |
| 3582 | Building B, a combined |
| 3583 | classroom and laboratory |
| 3584 | building\$ 4,000,000.00 |
| 3585 | DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS \$ 4,500,000.00 |
| 3586 | Repair and renovation to road |
| 3587 | sub-grade and surface at |
| 3588 | state parks as determined |
| 3589 | necessary by the Department |
| 3590 | of Wildlife, Fisheries |
| 3591 | and Parks\$ 4,250,000.00 |
| 3592 | Provision of assistance to the |
| 3593 | Board of Supervisors of |
| 3594 | Tippah County to upgrade |
| 3595 | and repair roads within |
| 3596 | and leading to Hell Creek |
| 3597 | Wildlife Management |
| 3598 | Area\$ 250,000.00 |
| 3599 | TOTAL\$75,358,000.00 |
| 3600 | (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be |
| 3601 | disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) |
| 3602 | of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used |
| 3603 | within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds |
| 3604 | authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of this act are deposited |
| 3605 | into the special fund, then the agency or institution of higher |
| 3606 | learning for which any unused monies are allocated under |
| 3607 | subsection (1) of this section shall provide an accounting of such |
| 3608 | unused monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission |
| 3609 | has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects |
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described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 3616 (3) through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 3617 3618 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 3619 3620 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 3621 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 3622 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 3623 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 3624 3625 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 3626

(4) Any amounts allocated to an agency or institution of higher learning that are in excess of that needed to complete the projects at such agency or institution of higher learning that are described in subsection (1) of this section may be used for general repairs and renovations at the agency or institution of higher learning to which such amount is allocated.

3633 (5) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting
3634 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
3635 Management, is authorized to preplan the following projects:

3636 (a) Renovation and repair of the Colvard Student Union3637 at Mississippi State University;

3638 (b) Renovation and repair of Guyton Hall and the old3639 Education Building at the University of Mississippi;

3640 (c) Construction of a new music facility or repair and 3641 renovation of existing buildings to house the Music Department at 3642 the University of Southern Mississippi;

3643 (d) New classroom facilities at the University Medical 3644 Center;

3645 (e) Construction of an assembly, wellness and academic 3646 center and a science and technology building at Mississippi Valley 3647 State University;

3648 (f) Construction of a new administration and operations 3649 building on state-owned land for the Department of Environmental 3650 Quality;

3651 (g) Construction of a new administration and operations 3652 building on state-owned land for the Mississippi Emergency 3653 Management Agency; and

3654 (h) Construction and development of parking facilities
3655 for state agencies and departments in the vicinity of the New
3656 Capitol.

The projects authorized in this subsection shall be in addition to the projects authorized in subsection (1) of this section.

3660 (6) Monies allocated to the University of Southern Mississippi/Gulf Coast Research Laboratory at Cedar Point in 3661 3662 Jackson County, Mississippi, shall not be used for any project at such institution of higher learning if the property conveyed to 3663 3664 the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning, 3665 for the use and benefit of the University of Southern Mississippi 3666 and the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory, in the Warranty Deed 3667 recorded in Book 1075, pages 545-546, in the Office of the 3668 Chancery Clerk of Jackson County, Mississippi, reverts to Jackson 3669 County, Mississippi.

3670 Section 3. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the 3671 "2000 IHL Additional Repair and Renovation Fund," is created 3672 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 3673 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 3674 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 3675 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the

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3676 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 3677 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

3678 (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 3679 in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 3680 to pay the costs of critical repair and renovation needs of state 3681 institutions of higher learning, with priority given to needs 3682 affecting accreditation matters.

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 3683 (2) disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 3684 3685 of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used 3686 within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of this act are deposited 3687 3688 into the special fund, then the Department of Finance and Administration shall provide an accounting of such unused monies 3689 to the commission. Promptly after the commission has certified, 3690 by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in 3691 subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, 3692 3693 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 3694 3695 service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance 3696 3697 of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

(3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 3698 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 3699 3700 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 3701 3702 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 3703 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 3704 3705 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 3706 3707 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 3708

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(a) A special fund, to be designated as the 3709 Section 4. (1) 3710 "2000 Mississippi State-Owned Buildings Repair and Renovation Fund, " is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be 3711 3712 maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, 3713 separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended 3714 amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or 3715 investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into 3716 3717 such fund.

3718 (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 3719 in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 3720 to pay the costs of repair and renovation of state-owned buildings 3721 and facilities.

(2)Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 3722 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in subsection 3723 3724 (1) of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the 3725 3726 bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of this act are deposited into the special fund, then the Department of Finance 3727 3728 and Administration shall provide an accounting of such unused monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission has 3729 3730 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed, 3731 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 3732 3733 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this 3734 3735 act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission. 3736

3737 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting
3738 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
3739 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and
3740 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the
3741 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The

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3742 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 3743 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 3744 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 3745 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 3746 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 3747 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

Section 5. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the 3748 "2000 Community and Junior Colleges Capital Improvements Fund," is 3749 3750 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 3751 3752 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse 3753 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment 3754 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit 3755 of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for 3756 any purpose except as authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of 3757 this act. 3758

3759 (b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 3760 3761 to pay the costs of acquisition of real property, construction of new facilities and addition to or renovation of existing 3762 3763 facilities for community and junior college campuses as recommended by the State Board of Community and Junior Colleges. 3764 The amount to be expended at each community and junior college is 3765 3766 as follows:

| 3767 | Coahoma\$ | 378,642.00 |
|------|------------------|--------------|
| 3768 | Copiah-Lincoln | 545,631.00 |
| 3769 | East Central | 493,120.00 |
| 3770 | East Mississippi | 422,318.00 |
| 3771 | Hinds | 1,038,386.00 |
| 3772 | Holmes | 524,229.00 |
| 3773 | Itawamba | 572,757.00 |
| 3774 | Jones | 752,937.00 |
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| 3775 | Meridian | 527,464.00 |
|------|------------------------|--------------|
| 3776 | Mississippi Delta | 557,950.00 |
| 3777 | Mississippi Gulf Coast | 923,908.00 |
| 3778 | Northeast Mississippi | 590,676.00 |
| 3779 | Northwest Mississippi | 667,700.00 |
| 3780 | Pearl River | 549,240.00 |
| 3781 | Southwest Mississippi | 455,044.00 |
| 3782 | GRAND TOTAL\$ | 9,000,000.00 |

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 3783 (2) disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 3784 3785 of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds 3786 authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of this act are deposited 3787 into the special fund, then the community college or junior 3788 college for which any such monies are allocated under subsection 3789 (1) of this section shall provide an accounting of such unused 3790 monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission has 3791 3792 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot 3793 3794 be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds 3795 3796 issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, in accordance with 3797 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission. 3798

3799 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 3800 3801 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 3802 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 3803 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The 3804 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 3805 3806 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 3807 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants

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shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 3808 3809 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. Section 6. (1) The commission, at one time, or from time to 3810 3811 time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of 3812 general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 3813 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this act. Upon the 3814 adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and 3815 Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any 3816 part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this 3817 3818 section, the Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the 3819 3820 commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form 3821 of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the 3822 bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things 3823 necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale 3824 3825 of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall not exceed Eighty-nine Million Eight 3826 3827 Hundred Fifty-eight Thousand Dollars (\$89,858,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under Sections 1 through 20 of this act after July 3828 3829 1, 2003.

3830 (2) The proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to Sections 1
3831 through 20 of this act shall be deposited into the following
3832 special funds in not more than the following amounts:

The 2000 State Agencies Capital Improvements Fund 3833 (a) 3834 created pursuant to Section 2 of this act..... \$75,358,000.00. The 2000 IHL Additional Repair and Renovation Fund 3835 (b) created pursuant to Section 3 of this act..... \$ 2,500,000.00. 3836 The 2000 Mississippi State-Owned Buildings Repair 3837 (C) 3838 and Renovation Fund created pursuant to Section 4 of this 3839 act.....\$ 3,000,000.00.

3840 (d) The 2000 Community and Junior College Capital
3841 Improvements Fund created pursuant to Section 5 of this
3842 act..... \$ 9,000,000.00.
3843 (3) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the

3844 special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this act shall 3845 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 1 3846 through 20 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings 3847 authorizing issuance of such bonds.

Section 7. The principal of and interest on the bonds 3848 authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall be 3849 3850 payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, 3851 3852 bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable 3853 at such place or places within or without the State of 3854 Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to 3855 exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable 3856 3857 before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and 3858 3859 shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the commission. 3860

3861 Section 8. The bonds authorized by Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by 3862 his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission 3863 3864 shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such 3865 3866 bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 3867 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 3868 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers 3869 before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have 3870 3871 been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be 3872

3873 valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as 3874 if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 3875 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in 3876 office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding 3877 anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as 3878 provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

3879 Section 9. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the 3880 provisions of Sections 1 through 20 of this act have all the 3881 qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the 3882 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the 3883 powers granted by Sections 1 through 20 of this act, the 3884 commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the 3885 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Section 10. The commission shall act as the issuing agent 3886 for the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of this act, 3887 prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, 3888 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 3889 3890 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 3891 3892 issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 3893 3894 and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 20 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. 3895 The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public 3896 3897 sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be 3898 3899 made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on 3900 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; 3901 however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not 3902 3903 more than one (1) year.

Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of

3906 sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers 3907 published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, 3908 Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial 3909 journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the 3910 commission.

3911 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 3912 Sections 1 through 20 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the 3913 option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment 3914 and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued 3915 interest on such date or dates named therein.

3916 Section 11. The bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 through 20 of this act are general obligations of the 3917 3918 State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. 3919 Ιf the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay 3920 the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become 3921 due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from 3922 3923 any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. A11 such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially 3924 covering the provisions of this section. 3925

Section 12. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the 3926 3927 provisions of Sections 1 through 20 of this act, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the 3928 special funds created in Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this act in the 3929 3930 amounts provided for in Section 6(2) of this act. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the 3931 3932 Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, 3933 if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds. 3934

3935 Section 13. The bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 20 3936 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the 3937 happening of any other conditions or things other than those 3938 proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required

3939 by Sections 1 through 20 of this act. Any resolution providing 3940 for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 1 3941 through 20 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its 3942 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 3943 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 3944 of its members.

Section 14. The bonds authorized under the authority of 3945 Sections 1 through 20 of this act may be validated in the Chancery 3946 Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, 3947 3948 in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 3949 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to 3950 3951 taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of 3952 Jackson, Mississippi. 3953

Section 15. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 3954 of Sections 1 through 20 of this act or of any of the interest 3955 3956 coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce 3957 any and all rights granted under Sections 1 through 20 of this 3958 act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 3959 3960 performance of all duties required by Sections 1 through 20 of this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 3961 3962 bonds and interest thereon.

3963 Section 16. All bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall be legal investments for 3964 3965 trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the 3966 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities 3967 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public 3968 3969 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and 3970 political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of

3971 public funds.

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3972 Section 17. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 3973 through 20 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from 3974 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

3975 Section 18. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections 3976 1 through 20 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes 3977 herein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and 3978 sale of such bonds.

Section 19. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 3979 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance 3980 and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 3981 3982 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 3983 3984 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 1 through 20 of 3985 this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary 3986 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds 3987 3988 in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on 3989 the due dates thereof.

3990 Section 20. Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall be 3991 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the 3992 powers herein granted, but Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall 3993 not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any existing law 3994 of this state.

3995 **SECTION 46.** Chapter 524, Laws of 1995, is amended as 3996 follows:

3997 Section 1. As used in this act, the following words shall 3998 have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 3999 requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date
of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated
initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon
from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate,
compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the

4005 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 4006 maturity.

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(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

4008 (C) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 4009 Section 2. (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the 4010 "1995 Capitol Facilities Improvements Fund" is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 4011 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 4012 the General Fund of the state and investment earnings on amounts 4013 in the fund shall be deposited into such fund. 4014

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs of capital improvements, renovation and/or repair of existing facilities, furnishings and/or equipping facilities, purchasing real property for public facilities for agencies or their successors and payment of the state's share of the cost of improvements to a public street as hereinafter described:

4022 Capitol facilities.....\$44,200,000.00

4023 (i) Woolfolk Building: renovate completely and4024 construct an addition to the Woolfolk State Office Building.

4025 (ii) Woolfolk Parking Garage: construct one or 4026 more parking garages west of the Woolfolk Building.

4027 (iii) Robert E. Lee Parking Garage: construct an 4028 addition to the Robert E. Lee Building Parking Garage.

4029 (iv) Gartin Building: plan through construction4030 bidding documents the renovation of the Gartin Building.

4031 (v) Sillers Building: plan through construction
4032 bidding documents the limited renovation of the Sillers Office
4033 Building.

4034 (vi) New office facility: plan through
4035 construction bidding documents one or more new office facilities
4036 north of the Sillers/Gartin Complex.

4037 (vii) Sillers/Gartin Parking Garage: plan through
4038 construction documents one or more parking garages north of the
4039 Sillers/Gartin Complex.

4040 (viii) Preplanning: authorize preplanning of a 4041 new state office complex on the seat of government lands located 4042 with Mississippi Street on the north, Jefferson Street on the 4043 east, Amite on the south and North Street on the west complete 4044 with necessary parking garages.

4045 (ix) Central High Legislative Services Building: 4046 renovate and equip the Central High Legislative Services Building.

4047 (x) High Street improvements: payment of the 4048 state's share of the cost of improvements to High Street in 4049 Jackson, Mississippi.

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 4050 (2) disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 4051 4052 of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection 4053 4054 (1) shall have been completed, abandoned or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall 4055 4056 be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of 4057 4058 such bonds and as directed by the commission.

4059 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 4060 4061 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 4062 4063 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 4064 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 4065 4066 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 4067 4068 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 4069 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

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The commission, at one time, or from time to 4070 Section 3. (1) 4071 time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of 4072 general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 4073 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes 4074 described in Section 2 of this act. Upon the adoption of a 4075 resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the 4076 general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the 4077 4078 Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. 4079 Upon 4080 receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, 4081 4082 advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary 4083 and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such 4084 The total amount of bonds issued under this act shall not bonds. 4085 exceed Forty-four Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars 4086 4087 (\$44,200,000.00).

4088 (2) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 4089 special fund created in Section 2 of this act shall be used to pay 4090 debt service on bonds issued under this act, in accordance with 4091 the proceedings authorizing issuance of such bonds.

Section 4. The principal of and interest on the bonds 4092 authorized under Section 3 of this act shall be payable in the 4093 4094 manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest 4095 at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in 4096 Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such 4097 place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall 4098 mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five 4099 (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at 4100 4101 such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be 4102

4103 substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by 4104 resolution of the commission.

Section 5. The bonds authorized by Section 3 of this act 4105 4106 shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his 4107 facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall 4108 be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be 4109 executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. 4110 Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated 4111 to sign the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing 4112 4113 but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the 4114 4115 date such bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient 4116 for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so 4117 officially signing such bonds had remained in office until their 4118 delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such 4119 4120 bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered 4121 4122 Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

Section 6. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of this act have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this act, the commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Section 7. The commission shall act as the issuing agent for the bonds authorized under Section 3 of this act, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to

pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 4136 4137 of the bonds authorized under this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission shall sell such bonds 4138 4139 on sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may 4140 determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, 4141 but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds to the 4142 purchaser. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be 4143 payable semiannually or annually; however, the first interest 4144 4145 payment may be for any period of not more than one (1) year.

4146 Notice of the sale of any such bond shall be published at 4147 least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of 4148 sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers 4149 published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, 4150 Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial 4151 journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the 4152 commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

Section 8. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act 4158 4159 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 4160 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 4161 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 4162 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 4163 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 4164 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 4165 4166 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 4167 this section.

Section 9. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of this act, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in Section 2 of this act. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds.

Section 10. The bonds authorized under this act may be 4175 issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 4176 4177 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 4178 things which are specified or required by this act. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 4179 4180 provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 4181 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 4182 of its members. 4183

Section 11. The bonds authorized under the authority of this 4184 4185 act may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the 4186 4187 force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school 4188 4189 district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 4190 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 4191

4192 Section 12. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this act or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto 4193 4194 may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted 4195 under this act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and 4196 compel performance of all duties required by this act to be 4197 4198 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 4199 interest thereon.

4200 Section 13. All bonds issued under the provisions of this 4201 act shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 4202 4203 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 4204 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 4205 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 4206 of securing the deposit of public funds. 4207

4208 Section 14. Bonds issued under the provisions of this act 4209 and income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the 4210 State of Mississippi.

Section 15. The proceeds of the bonds issued under this act shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

Section 16. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 4214 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance 4215 4216 and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 4217 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 4218 4219 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under this act; and the State 4220 4221 Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to 4222 discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 4223 4224 thereof.

Section 17. This act shall be deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this act shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any existing law of this state.

4229 Section 18. * * *

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4232 **SECTION 47.** Chapter 560, Laws of 1998, as amended by Section 4233 60, Chapter 600, Laws of 2001, is amended as follows:

4234 Section 1. As used in this act, the following words shall 4235 have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 4236 requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bonds means, as of any date
of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated
initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon
from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate,
compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the
approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same
maturity.

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(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 4245 (C)(a) A special fund to be designated as the 4246 Section 2. (1) "1998 Archives and History Capital Improvements Fund" is created 4247 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 4248 4249 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state and investment earnings on 4250 amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund. 4251

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed,
in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration,
to pay the costs of capital improvements, additions, renovation,
restoration and/or repair of existing facilities, exhibits,
furnishing, and/or equipping facilities, preplanning and moving
and build-out expenses as hereinafter described:

4258 (i) Archives and History Building: Construct on
4259 state-owned land a new Archives and History Building complete with
4260 parking.

(ii) Central Mechanical Plant: Construct on
state-owned land a new central mechanical and electrical service
plant to support the existing facilities located on the Old
Capitol Green plus the new Archives and History Building.

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4265 (iii) War Memorial Building: Renovate and restore4266 the War Memorial Building.

4267 (iv) Charlotte Capers Building: Plan through
4268 construction bidding documents the renovation of the Charlotte
4269 Capers Building.

(v) Museum: Plan through construction bidding documents a new museum located on state-owned property in Jackson, Mississippi, bound on the south by Amite Street, on the east by Jefferson Street, on the west by North Street and on the north by Mississippi Street, complete with exhibits interpreting the history and prehistory of the state.

4276 (vi) Old Capitol: Plan through construction
4277 bidding documents the renovation and restoration of the Old
4278 Capitol.

4279 (vii) Moving and Build-Out Expenses: During the
4280 course of the construction and relocation of various state
4281 agencies, provide for moving costs, moving archival collections,
4282 development and reestablishment of computer networks,
4283 communications, partition construction, furnishings and equipment,
4284 and other necessary expenses associated with the construction
4285 authorized by this act.

4286 (c) All new buildings authorized by this act to be
4287 constructed or planned shall be designed to be aesthetically
4288 pleasing and compatible with state-owned buildings located nearby.
4289 To the extent practicable, all new buildings authorized by this
4290 act to be constructed or planned shall be of sustainable design
4291 and shall be energy efficient.

4292 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
4293 disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1)
4294 of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by
4295 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection
4296 (1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed
4297 in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund

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4298 shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under 4299 this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the 4300 issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

4301 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 4302 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 4303 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 4304 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 4305 The 4306 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 4307 4308 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 4309 4310 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 4311

The commission, at one time, or from time to 4312 Section 3. (1) time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of 4313 general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 4314 4315 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in Section 2 of this act. Upon the adoption of a 4316 4317 resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the 4318 4319 general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the 4320 Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. 4321 Upon 4322 receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, 4323 4324 advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary 4325 and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such 4326 bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under this act shall not 4327 exceed Thirty-four Million Dollars (\$34,000,000.00). 4328

4329 (2) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the4330 special fund created in Section 2 of this act shall be used to pay

4331 debt service on bonds issued under this act, in accordance with 4332 the proceedings authorizing issuance of such bonds.

4333 Section 4. The principal of and interest on the bonds 4334 authorized under Section 3 of this act shall be payable in the 4335 manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall bear such date 4336 or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in 4337 Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such 4338 place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall 4339 4340 mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five 4341 (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, 4342 4343 shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by 4344 resolution of the commission. 4345

Section 5. The bonds authorized by Section 3 of this act 4346 4347 shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his 4348 facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. 4349 4350 The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. 4351 Whenever 4352 any such bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing 4353 but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and 4354 4355 delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon 4356 4357 such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so 4358 officially signing such bonds had remained in office until their 4359 delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such 4360 4361 bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the 4362 contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi. 4363

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Section 6. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of this act have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this act, the commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Section 7. The commission shall act as the issuing agent for 4370 the bonds authorized under Section 3 of this act, prescribe the 4371 form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell 4372 the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 4373 4374 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 4375 4376 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 4377 of the bonds authorized under this act from the proceeds derived 4378 from the sale of such bonds. The commission shall sell such bonds 4379 on sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may 4380 4381 determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus 4382 4383 accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be 4384 4385 payable semiannually or annually; however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not more than one (1) year. 4386 Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at 4387 4388 least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers 4389 4390 published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, 4391 Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial

4392 journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the 4393 commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the

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4397 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 4398 dates named therein.

The bonds issued under the provisions of this act 4399 Section 8. 4400 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 4401 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 4402 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 4403 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 4404 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 4405 4406 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 4407 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 4408 this section.

Section 9. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of this act, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in Section 2 of this act. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds.

4416 Section 10. The bonds authorized under this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 4417 4418 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this act. 4419 Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 4420 4421 provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 4422 4423 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority of its members. 4424

Section 11. The bonds authorized under the authority of this act may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school

4430 district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by 4431 such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 4432 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

4433 Section 12. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 4434 of this act or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto 4435 may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or 4436 other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under this act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and 4437 compel performance of all duties required by this act to be 4438 4439 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 4440 interest thereon.

Section 13. All bonds issued under the provisions of this 4441 4442 act shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, 4443 and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 4444bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 4445 4446 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 4447 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of public funds. 4448

4449 Section 14. Bonds issued under the provisions of this act 4450 and income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the 4451 State of Mississippi.

4452 Section 15. The proceeds of the bonds issued under this act 4453 shall be used solely for the purposes therein provided, including 4454 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

Section 16. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 4455 4456 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 4457 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 4458 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 4459 4460 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 4461 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated 4462

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4463 place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to 4464 discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 4465 thereof.

Section 17. This act shall be deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the powers therein granted, but this act shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any existing law of this state.

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4471 SECTION 48. Chapter 595, Laws of 1998, as amended by Section 4472 22 of Chapter 583, Laws of 2000, is amended as follows: 4473 Section 1. As used in this act, the following words shall 4474 have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 4475 requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bonds means, as of any date
of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated
initial value of the bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon
from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate,
compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the
approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same
maturity.

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(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

4484 (C) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. Section 2. (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the 4485 "1998 Capitol Facilities Improvements Fund" is created within the 4486 4487 State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 4488 4489 the General Fund of the state and investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into the fund. 4490

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the cost of supplemental funding as needed for the Woolfolk Building renovation, addition, mechanical plant and garages authorized by Chapter 524, Laws of 1995; to pay the cost of

renovation and repair of the Sillers Office Building; to pay the 4496 4497 cost of constructing a new central mechanical and electrical service plant to support the Capitol Complex to be located near 4498 4499 the Woolfolk Building; to pay the cost of constructing a 4500 pedestrian mall on the Sillers/Gartin block that extends south 4501 from the intersection of North Congress Street and George Street to High Street, such mall to have a width of not less than that of 4502 the right-of-way of North Congress Street; to pay the cost of 4503 4504 planning through construction and bidding documents of a new Court 4505 Building to be located on state-owned property; and during the 4506 course of the construction and relocation of various state agencies, to pay the cost of moving, reestablishment of computer 4507 4508 networks communications, partition construction and other necessary expenses associated with the construction authorized by 4509 Chapter 524, Laws of 1995. 4510

(c) All new buildings authorized by this act to be constructed or planned shall be designed to be aesthetically pleasing and compatible with state-owned buildings which are located nearby. To the extent practicable, all new buildings authorized by this act to be constructed or planned shall be of sustainable design and shall be energy efficient.

4517 (2) Amounts deposited into the special fund shall be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 4518 of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by 4519 4520 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection (1) shall have been completed, abandoned or cannot be completed in 4521 4522 a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in the special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under this act, 4523 in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of the 4524 4525 bonds and as directed by the commission.

(3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting
through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
Management, may receive and expend any local or other source funds

4529 in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this 4530 section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special 4531 fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 4532 Administration, and the funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer 4533 upon warrants issued by the department, which warrants shall be 4534 issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the 4535 Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

Section 3. (1) The commission, at one time, or from time to 4536 4537 time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 4538 4539 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in Section 2 of this act. Upon the adoption of a 4540 4541 resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the 4542 general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the 4543 4544 Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified 4545 copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon 4546 receipt of the resolution, the commission may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept 4547 4548 bids, issue and sell the bonds authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with 4549 4550 the issuance and sale of the bonds. The total amount of bonds 4551 issued under this act shall not exceed Forty-three Million Dollars (\$43,000,000.00). 4552

4553 (2) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 4554 special fund created in Section 2 of this act shall be used to pay 4555 debt service on bonds issued under this act, in accordance with 4556 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of the bonds.

4557 Section 4. The principal of and interest on the bonds 4558 authorized under Section 3 of this act shall be payable in the 4559 manner provided in this section. The bonds shall bear a date or 4560 dates, be in a denomination or denominations, bear interest at a 4561 rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section

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4562 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at a place or 4563 places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 4564 absolutely at a time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) years 4565 from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at a time or 4566 times and upon terms, with or without premium, shall bear 4567 registration privileges, and shall be substantially in a form, all 4568 as determined by resolution of the commission.

Section 5. The bonds authorized by Section 3 of this act 4569 shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his 4570 facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall 4571 4572 be affixed to the bonds and attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to the 4573 4574 bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of the officers. Whenever any such bonds have been signed by the officials 4575 designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the time of the 4576 signing, but who may have ceased to be officers before the sale 4577 4578 and delivery of the bonds, or who may not have been in office on 4579 the date the bonds may bear, the signatures of the officers upon the bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient 4580 4581 for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person officially signing the bonds had remained in office until their 4582 4583 delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date the bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the 4584 4585 contrary, the bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered 4586 Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

4587 Section 6. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the 4588 provisions of this act have all the qualities and incidents of 4589 negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform 4590 Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this act, 4591 the commission shall not be required to and need not comply with 4592 the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

4593 Section 7. The commission shall act as the issuing agent for 4594 the bonds authorized under Section 3 of this act, prescribe the

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form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell 4595 4596 the bonds authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in the issuance and sale, and do any and all other things 4597 4598 necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale 4599 of the bonds. The commission may pay the costs that are incident 4600 to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of the bonds. 4601 The commission shall sell the bonds on sealed bids at public sale, 4602 4603 and for a price as it may determine to be for the best interest of 4604 the State of Mississippi, but no sale shall be made at a price 4605 less than par plus accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on the bonds issued 4606 4607 shall be payable semiannually or annually; however, the first 4608 interest payment may be for any period of not more than one (1) 4609 year.

4610 Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at 4611 least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of 4612 sale, and shall be published in one or more newspapers published 4613 or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, 4614 Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial 4615 journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the 4616 commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on the date or dates named therein.

Section 8. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment of the bonds the full faith and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on the bonds as they become due, then the deficiency

4628 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 4629 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 4630 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 4631 this section.

Section 9. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of this act, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any sale or sales to the special fund created in Section 2 of this act. The proceeds of the bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under the restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds.

Section 10. The bonds authorized under this act may be 4639 4640 issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 4641 things which are specified or required by this act. 4642 Any 4643 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon its 4644 4645 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 4646 4647 of its members.

Section 11. The bonds authorized under the authority of this 4648 4649 act may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial 4650 District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi 4651 4652 Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by 4653 4654 these statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 4655

Section 12. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this act or of any of the interest coupons pertaining to the bonds may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under this act, or under the resolution adopted by the

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4661 commission pursuant to Section 3 of this act, and may enforce and 4662 compel performance of all duties required by this act to be 4663 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 4664 interest thereon.

4665 Section 13. All bonds issued under the provisions of this 4666 act shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, 4667 and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and the 4668 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 4669 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 4670 4671 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of public funds. 4672

4673 Section 14. Bonds issued under the provisions of this act 4674 and income derived from the bonds shall be exempt from all 4675 taxation in the State of Mississippi.

4676 Section 15. The proceeds of the bonds issued under this act 4677 shall be used solely for the purposes therein provided, including 4678 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of the bonds.

Section 16. The State Treasurer may, without further process 4679 4680 of law, certify to the Department of Finance and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and 4681 4682 Administration shall issue the warrants, in amounts as may be necessary to pay when due the principal of, premium, if any, and 4683 interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under this 4684 4685 act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated place or places of payment of the bonds in ample 4686 4687 time to discharge the bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates thereof. 4688

Section 17. This act shall be deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this act shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any existing law of this state.

4693 Section 18. * * *

4694 Section 19. * * *

Section 20. The office space occupied by the Secretary of
State on the first floor of the New Capitol on January 1, 1998,
shall continue to be occupied and used by the Secretary of State.
SECTION 49. Sections 1 through 90, Chapter 522, Laws of
1999, as amended by Sections 21 and 25, Chapter 583, Laws of 2000,
are amended as follows:

4701 Section 1. As used in Sections 1 through 19 of this act, the 4702 following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the 4703 context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bonds means, as of any date
of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated
initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon
from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate,
compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the
approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same
maturity.

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(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 4712 (C) 4713 Section 2. (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the "1999 Justice Facility Capital Improvements Fund" is created 4714 4715 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 4716 4717 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 4718 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and investment earnings on amounts in the fund 4719 4720 shall be deposited into such fund.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed,
in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration,
to pay the costs of capital improvements, additions, renovation,
and/or repair of existing facilities, furnishing, and/or equipping
facilities, and moving and build-out expenses as hereinafter

4726 described:

4727 (i) Justice Facility: Construct on state-owned
4728 land a new facility to accommodate the Supreme Court, Court of
4729 Appeals and State Law Library.

(ii) Moving and Build-Out Expenses: During the
course of the construction and relocation of each state agency,
provide for moving costs, development and reestablishment of
computer networks, communications, partition construction,
furnishings and equipment, and other necessary expenses associated
with the construction authorized by this act.

(c) All new buildings authorized by this act to be
constructed or planned shall be designed to be aesthetically
pleasing and compatible with state-owned buildings located nearby.
To the extent practicable, all new buildings authorized by this
act to be constructed or planned shall be of sustainable design
and shall be energy efficient.

Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 4742 (2)disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 4743 4744 of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection 4745 4746 (1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed 4747 in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund 4748 shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 1 through 19 of this act, in accordance with the 4749 proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed 4750 4751 by the commission.

The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 4752 (3) 4753 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 4754 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 4755 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 4756 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 4757 4758 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 4759 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State

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4760 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 4761 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 4762 of the Department of Finance and Administration<u>,</u> or his designee.

4763 Section 3. (1) The commission, at one time, or from time to 4764 time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of 4765 general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes 4766 described in Section 2 of this act. Upon the adoption of a 4767 resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, 4768 4769 declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the 4770 general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified 4771 4772 copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon 4773 receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, 4774 advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so 4775 4776 authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary 4777 and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 1 through 4778 bonds. 4779 19 of this act shall not exceed Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00). The bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 4780 4781 19 of this act shall not be issued before February 1, 2000, nor shall any of the funds be obligated before that date. 4782

4783 (2) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 4784 special fund created in Section 2 of this act shall be used to pay 4785 debt service on bonds issued under Sections 1 through 19 of this 4786 act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of 4787 such bonds.

4788 Section 4. The principal of and interest on the bonds 4789 authorized under Sections 1 through 19 of this act shall be 4790 payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall 4791 bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, 4792 bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set

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forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable 4793 4794 at such place or places within or without the State of 4795 Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to 4796 exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable 4797 before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or 4798 without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by 4799 resolution of the commission. 4800

4801 Section 5. The bonds authorized by Sections 1 through 19 of 4802 this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by 4803 his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the 4804 4805 commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such 4806 officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 4807 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 4808 4809 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers 4810 before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of 4811 4812 such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as 4813 4814 if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in 4815 office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding 4816 4817 anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi. 4818 4819 Section 6. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the

4820 provisions of Sections 1 through 19 of this act have all the 4821 qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the 4822 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the 4823 powers granted by Sections 1 through 19 of this act, the 4824 commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the 4825 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

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Section 7. The commission shall act as the issuing agent for 4826 4827 the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 19 of this act, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, 4828 4829 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 4830 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 4831 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 4832 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 4833 and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 19 4834 4835 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. 4836 The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best 4837 4838 interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of 4839 delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on 4840 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; 4841 4842 however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not 4843 more than one (1) year.

Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of Sections 1 through 19 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

4856 Section 8. The bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 4857 1 through 19 of this act are general obligations of the State of 4858 Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit

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4859 of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds 4860 appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the 4861 principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become due, 4862 then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any 4863 funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such 4864 bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of this section. 4865

Section 9. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the 4866 4867 provisions of Sections 1 through 19 of this act, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the 4868 4869 special fund created in Section 2 of this act. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the 4870 4871 Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, 4872 if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds. 4873

Section 10. The bonds authorized under Sections 1 through 19 4874 4875 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the 4876 happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required 4877 4878 by Sections 1 through 19 of this act. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 1 4879 4880 through 19 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 4881 4882 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 4883 of its members.

Section 11. The bonds authorized under the authority of Sections 1 through 19 of this act may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a

4891 newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of 4892 Jackson, Mississippi.

Section 12. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 4893 4894 of Sections 1 through 19 of this act or of any of the interest 4895 coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by 4896 suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under Sections 1 through 19 of this 4897 act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 4898 performance of all duties required by Sections 1 through 19 of 4899 this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 4900 4901 bonds and interest thereon.

Section 13. All bonds issued under the provisions of 4902 4903 Sections 1 through 19 of this act shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust 4904 companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the 4905 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities 4906 4907 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public 4908 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of 4909 4910 public funds.

4911 Section 14. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1 4912 through 19 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from 4913 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

4914 Section 15. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections 4915 1 through 19 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes 4916 therein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and 4917 sale of such bonds.

4918 Section 16. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 4919 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance 4920 and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 4921 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 4922 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 4923 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the

4924 accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 1 through 19 of 4925 this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary 4926 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds 4927 in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on 4928 the due dates thereof.

4929 Section 17. Sections 1 through 19 of this act shall be 4930 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the 4931 powers therein granted, but Sections 1 through 19 of this act 4932 shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any 4933 existing law of this state.

4934 Section 18. * * *

4935 Section 19. * * *

4936 Section 20. As used in Sections 20 through 38 of this act, 4937 the following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless 4938 the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bonds means, as of any date of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same maturity.

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(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 4947 (C) 4948 Section 21. (1)(a) A special fund to be designated as the "1999 Department of Public Safety Improvements Fund" is created 4949 4950 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 4951 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 4952 4953 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 4954 State General Fund, and investment earnings on amounts in the fund 4955 shall be deposited into such fund.

Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, 4956 (b) in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, 4957 to pay the costs of preplanning, capital improvements, additions, 4958 4959 renovation and/or repair of existing facilities, exhibits, 4960 furnishing, and/or equipping facilities, and purchasing real 4961 property for the following public facilities for the Department of Public Safety as recommended by the Commissioner of Public Safety: 4962 Preplanning of construction of a crime 4963 (i) 4964 laboratory in the Jackson Metropolitan Area; (ii) Replacement of the heating and cooling unit 4965 4966 at the Department of Public Safety Headquarters Building in Jackson, Mississippi; 4967 4968 (iii) Construction of a new Highway Safety Patrol Substation in Highway Safety Patrol District 9; 4969 4970 (iv) Repair and renovation of the Highway Safety Patrol Substation in Highway Safety Patrol District 5; 4971 Construction of a new Highway Safety Patrol 4972 (v) 4973 Substation, a regional crime laboratory and a new Bureau of Narcotics Building in Highway Safety Patrol District 6; 4974 4975 (vi) Construction of a new Bureau of Narcotics Building in Highway Safety Patrol District 4; 4976 4977 (vii) Construction of a new Highway Safety Patrol 4978 Substation and a regional crime laboratory in Highway Safety 4979 Patrol District 3. 4980 (2)Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 4981 4982 of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection 4983 (1) shall have been completed, abandoned or cannot be completed in 4984 4985 a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall 4986 be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under Sections 4987 20 through 38 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings

4988 authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the 4989 commission.

The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 4990 (3) 4991 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 4992 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 4993 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 4994 The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 4995 4996 under the direction of the Department of Finance and Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 4997 4998 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 4999 5000 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

The commission, at one time, or from time 5001 Section 22. (1) 5002 to time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of 5003 general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes 5004 5005 described in Section 21 of this act. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, 5006 5007 declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the 5008 5009 Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified 5010 copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may 5011 5012 act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so 5013 5014 authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such 5015 The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 20 through 5016 bonds. 5017 38 of this act shall not exceed Nine Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$9,500,000.00). 5018

5019 (2) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 5020 special fund created in Section 21 of this act shall be used to

5021 pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 20 through 38 of 5022 this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance 5023 of such bonds.

5024 Section 23. The principal of and interest on the bonds 5025 authorized under Sections 20 through 38 of this act shall be 5026 payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, 5027 bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set 5028 forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable 5029 5030 at such place or places within or without the State of 5031 Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable 5032 5033 before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and 5034 shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by 5035 resolution of the commission. 5036

5037 Section 24. The bonds authorized by Sections 20 through 38 5038 of this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the 5039 5040 commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to 5041 5042 such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 5043 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 5044 5045 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have 5046 5047 been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be 5048 valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as 5049 if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 5050 5051 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in 5052 office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding

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5053 anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as 5054 provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

Section 25. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of Sections 20 through 38 of this act have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by Sections 20 through 38 of this act, the commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Section 26. 5062 The commission shall act as the issuing agent 5063 for the bonds authorized under Sections 20 through 38 of this act, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, 5064 5065 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 5066 5067 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 5068 issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 5069 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 5070 and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 20 through 38 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. 5071 5072 The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best 5073 5074 interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of 5075 5076 delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on 5077 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not 5078 5079 more than one (1) year.

5080 Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at 5081 least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of 5082 sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers 5083 published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, 5084 Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial

5085 journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the 5086 commission.

5087 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 5088 Sections 20 through 38 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the 5089 option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment 5090 and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued 5091 interest on such date or dates named therein.

5092 Section 27. The bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 20 through 38 of this act are general obligations of the 5093 State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith 5094 5095 and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. Ιf the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay 5096 5097 the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from 5098 any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. 5099 All such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially 5100 5101 covering the provisions of this section.

5102 Section 28. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of Sections 20 through 38 of this act, the commission 5103 5104 shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in Section 21 of this act. 5105 The proceeds of 5106 such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, 5107 5108 if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the 5109 issuance of the bonds.

Section 29. The bonds authorized under Sections 20 through 5110 5111 38 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those 5112 proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required 5113 by Sections 20 through 38 of this act. Any resolution providing 5114 for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 20 5115 5116 through 38 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 5117

5118 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 5119 of its members.

Section 30. The bonds authorized under the authority of 5120 5121 Sections 20 through 38 of this act may be validated in the 5122 Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, 5123 Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the 5124 validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. 5125 The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be 5126 published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation 5127 5128 in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

Section 31. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 5129 5130 of Sections 20 through 38 of this act or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by 5131 suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce 5132 any and all rights granted under Sections 20 through 38 of this 5133 act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 5134 5135 performance of all duties required by Sections 20 through 38 of this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 5136 5137 bonds and interest thereon.

Section 32. All bonds issued under the provisions of 5138 5139 Sections 20 through 38 of this act shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust 5140 companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the 5141 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities 5142 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public 5143 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and 5144 political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of 5145 5146 public funds.

5147 Section 33. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 20 5148 through 38 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from 5149 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

5150 Section 34. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections 5151 20 through 38 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes 5152 therein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and 5153 sale of such bonds.

5154 Section 35. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 5155 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 5156 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 5157 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 5158 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 5159 5160 accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 20 through 38 of this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary 5161 5162 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on 5163 the due dates thereof. 5164

5165 Section 36. Sections 20 through 38 of this act shall be 5166 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the 5167 powers therein granted, but Sections 20 through 38 of this act 5168 shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any 5169 existing law of this state.

5170 Section 37. * * *

5171 Section 38. * * *

5172 Section 39. As used in Sections 39 through 55 of this act, 5173 the following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless 5174 the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same maturity.

5182

(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

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"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 5183 (C) 5184 Section 40. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as 5185 the "1999 Department of Information Technology Services Capital 5186 Improvements Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The 5187 fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and 5188 special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a 5189 fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any 5190 interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund 5191 5192 shall be deposited into such fund.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, for the purpose of providing funds for renovation, repair, restoration, modernization, additions to, furnishing and/or equipping of the State Data Center located in the Robert E. Lee State Office Building and operated by the Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services.

5200 (2)Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in subsection 5201 5202 (1) of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in 5203 5204 subsection (1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be 5205 completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds 5206 5207 issued under Sections 39 through 55 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 5208 5209 directed by the commission.

(3) The Department of Finance and Administration is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and Administration, and such funds shall be

5216 paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such 5217 department, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions 5218 signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and 5219 Administration, or his designee.

5220 Section 41. (1) The commission, at one time, or from time 5221 to time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 5222 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes 5223 described in Section 40 of this act. Upon the adoption of a 5224 resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, 5225 5226 declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the 5227 5228 Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. 5229 Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may 5230 act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, 5231 advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so 5232 5233 authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such 5234 5235 bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 39 through 55 of this act shall not exceed Two Million Dollars 5236 5237 (\$2,000,000.00).

5238 (2) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 5239 special fund created in Section 2 of this act shall be used to pay 5240 debt service on bonds issued under Sections 39 through 55 of this 5241 act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of 5242 such bonds.

5243 Section 42. The principal of and interest on the bonds 5244 authorized under Sections 39 through 55 of this act shall be 5245 payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall 5246 bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, 5247 bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set 5248 forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable

5249 at such place or places within or without the State of 5250 Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to 5251 exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable 5252 before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or 5253 without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and 5254 shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by 5255 resolution of the commission.

Section 43. The bonds authorized by Sections 39 through 55 5256 of this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or 5257 by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the 5258 5259 commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to 5260 5261 such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 5262 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 5263 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers 5264 5265 before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have 5266 been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be 5267 5268 valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 5269 5270 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding 5271 anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as 5272 5273 provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi. Section 44. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the 5274 5275 provisions of Sections 39 through 55 of this act have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the 5276 provisions of the Mississippi Uniform Commercial Code, and in 5277 exercising the powers granted by Sections 39 through 55 of this 5278 5279 act, the commission shall not be required to and need not comply

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with the provisions of the Mississippi Uniform Commercial Code.

5281 Section 45. The commission shall act as the issuing agent 5282 for the bonds authorized under Sections 39 through 55 of this act, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, 5283 5284 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 5285 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 5286 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 5287 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 5288 and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 39 through 55 5289 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. 5290 5291 The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best 5292 5293 interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of 5294 delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on 5295 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; 5296 5297 however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not 5298 more than one (1) year.

Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of Sections 39 through 55 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

5311 Section 46. The bonds issued under the provisions of 5312 Sections 39 through 55 of this act are general obligations of the 5313 State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith

and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. 5314 Ιf 5315 the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become 5316 5317 due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from 5318 any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All 5319 such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of this section. 5320

Section 47. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the 5321 provisions of Sections 39 through 55 of this act, the commission 5322 shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the 5323 5324 special fund created in Section 40 of this act. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the 5325 5326 Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the 5327 issuance of the bonds. 5328

Section 48. The bonds authorized under Sections 39 through 5329 5330 55 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the 5331 happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required 5332 5333 by Sections 39 through 55 of this act. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 39 5334 5335 through 55 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 5336 5337 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 5338 of its members.

5339 Section 49. The bonds authorized under the authority of 5340 Sections 39 through 55 of this act may be validated in the 5341 Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, 5342 Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided 5343 by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the 5344 validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. 5345 The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be

5346 published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation 5347 in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

Section 50. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 5348 5349 of Sections 39 through 55 of this act or of any of the interest 5350 coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by 5351 suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under Sections 39 through 55 of this 5352 act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 5353 performance of all duties required by Sections 39 through 55 of 5354 this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 5355 5356 bonds and interest thereon.

Section 51. All bonds issued under the provisions of 5357 5358 Sections 39 through 55 of this act shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust 5359 companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the 5360 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities 5361 5362 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public 5363 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of 5364 5365 public funds.

5366 Section 52. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 39 5367 through 55 <u>of</u> this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from 5368 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

5369 Section 53. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections 5370 39 through 55 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes 5371 herein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and 5372 sale of such bonds.

5373 Section 54. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 5374 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance 5375 and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 5376 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 5377 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 5378 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the

5379 accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 39 through 55 5380 of this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary 5381 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds 5382 in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on 5383 the due dates thereof.

5384 Section 55. Sections 39 through 55 of this act shall be 5385 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the 5386 powers herein granted, but this act shall not be deemed to repeal 5387 or to be in derogation of any existing law of this state.

(a) A special fund to be designated as the 5388 Section 56. (1)5389 "1999 Library Commission Capital Improvements Fund" is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 5390 5391 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 5392 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 5393 State General Fund, and investment earnings on amounts in the fund 5394 5395 shall be deposited into such fund.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs of capital improvements, renovation and/or repair of existing facilities, furniture, equipment and/or technology for facilities as hereinafter described:

5401 Mississippi Library Commission..... \$10,000,000.00 5402 Construct on state-owned or donated land a new facility to house 5403 the Mississippi Library Commission <u>and moving/relocation expenses</u> 5404 <u>and other necessary expenses associated with such facility</u>.

5405 (2)Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 5406 Promptly after the State Bond Commission 5407 of this section. ("commission") has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the 5408 5409 projects described in subsection (1) shall have been completed, 5410 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 5411

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5412 service on the bonds issued under Sections 56 through 73 of this 5413 act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance 5414 of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

5415 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 5416 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 5417 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 5418 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 5419 The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 5420 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 5421 5422 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 5423 5424 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 5425

The commission, at one time, or from time 5426 Section 57. (1) to time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of 5427 general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 5428 5429 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in Section 56 of this act. Upon the adoption of a 5430 5431 resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the 5432 5433 general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified 5434 copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. 5435 Upon 5436 receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, 5437 5438 advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary 5439 and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such 5440 bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 56 through 5441 73 of this act shall not exceed Ten Million Dollars 5442 5443 (\$10,000,000.00). The bonds authorized under Sections 56 through

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5444 73 of this act shall not be issued before February 1, 2000, nor 5445 shall any of the funds be obligated before that date.

5446 (2) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 5447 special fund created in Section 56 of this act shall be used to 5448 pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 56 through 73 of 5449 this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance 5450 of such bonds.

Section 58. The principal of and interest on the bonds 5451 authorized under Sections 56 through 73 of this act shall be 5452 payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall 5453 5454 bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set 5455 forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable 5456 at such place or places within or without the State of 5457 Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to 5458 exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable 5459 5460 before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or 5461 without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by 5462 5463 resolution of the commission.

Section 59. The bonds authorized by Sections 56 through 73 5464 5465 of this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the 5466 commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of 5467 5468 the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such 5469 5470 officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 5471 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers 5472 before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have 5473 5474 been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of 5475 such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as 5476

5477 if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 5478 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in 5479 office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding 5480 anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as 5481 provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

5482 Section 60. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the 5483 provisions of Sections 56 through 73 of this act have all the 5484 qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the 5485 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the 5486 powers granted by Sections 56 through 73 of this act, the 5487 commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the 5488 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

5489 Section 61. The commission shall act as the issuing agent for the bonds authorized under Sections 56 through 73 of this act, 5490 prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, 5491 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 5492 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 5493 5494 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 5495 5496 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 56 through 73 5497 5498 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public 5499 sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best 5500 5501 interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of 5502 5503 delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; 5504 however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not 5505 5506 more than one (1) year.

5507 Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at 5508 least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of 5509 sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers

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5510 published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, 5511 Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial 5512 journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the 5513 commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of Sections 56 through 73 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

Section 62. The bonds issued under the provisions of 5519 5520 Sections 56 through 73 of this act are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith 5521 5522 and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. Ιf the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay 5523 the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become 5524 due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from 5525 5526 any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All 5527 such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of this section. 5528

5529 Section 63. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of Sections 56 through 73 of this act, the commission 5530 5531 shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in Section 56 of this act. 5532 The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the 5533 5534 Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, 5535 if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the 5536 issuance of the bonds.

5537 Section 64. The bonds authorized under Sections 56 through 5538 73 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the 5539 happening of any other conditions or things other than those 5540 proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required 5541 by Sections 56 through 73 of this act. Any resolution providing 5542 for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 56

5543 through 73 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its 5544 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 5545 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 5546 of its members.

5547 Section 65. The bonds authorized under the authority of Sections 56 through 73 of this act may be validated in the 5548 Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, 5549 Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided 5550 by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the 5551 validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. 5552 5553 The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation 5554 5555 in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

Section 66. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 5556 of Sections 56 through 73 of this act or of any of the interest 5557 coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by 5558 suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce 5559 5560 any and all rights granted under Sections 56 through 73 of this act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 5561 5562 performance of all duties required by Sections 56 through 73 of this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 5563 bonds and interest thereon. 5564

Section 67. All bonds issued under the provisions of 5565 Sections 56 through 73 of this act shall be legal investments for 5566 5567 trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the 5568 5569 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public 5570 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and 5571 political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of 5572 5573 public funds.

5574 Section 68. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 56 5575 through 73 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from 5576 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

5577 Section 69. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections 5578 56 through 73 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes 5579 therein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and 5580 sale of such bonds.

5581 Section 70. The State Treasurer is authorized, without further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance 5582 and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 5583 5584 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 5585 5586 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 56 through 73 5587 of this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary 5588 5589 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds 5590 in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on 5591 the due dates thereof.

5592 Section 71. Sections 56 through 73 of this act shall be 5593 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the 5594 powers therein granted, but Sections 56 through 73 of this act 5595 shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any 5596 existing law of this state.

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5599 Section 74. As used in Sections 74 through 90 of this act, 5600 the following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless 5601 the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bonds means, as of any date
of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated
initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon
from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate,
compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the

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5607 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 5608 maturity.

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(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

5610 (C) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 5611 Section 75. (1) (a) A special fund to be designated as the 5612 "1999 Public Libraries Capital Improvements Fund" is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 5613 5614 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 5615 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 5616 5617 State General Fund, and investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund. 5618

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Mississippi Library Commission, to provide grants to public libraries to pay the costs of capital improvements, renovation and/or repair of existing facilities, furniture, equipment and or technology for facilities.

5624 (2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in subsection (1) 5625 5626 of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection 5627 (1) shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed 5628 5629 in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under 5630 5631 Sections 74 through 90 of this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed 5632 5633 by the commission.

(3) The Mississippi Library Commission is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Mississippi Library Commission, and such funds shall be paid by the State

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5640 Treasurer upon warrants issued by the Mississippi Library 5641 Commission, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions 5642 signed by the Executive Director of the Mississippi Library 5643 Commission, or his designee.

5644 (4) (a) The Mississippi Library Commission shall adopt 5645 necessary rules and regulations to govern the administration of the program described in subsection (1) of this section, 5646 including, but not limited to, rules and regulations governing 5647 applications for grants and rules and regulations providing for 5648 the distribution of grant funds. 5649 The Mississippi Library 5650 Commission shall comply with the provisions of the Mississippi Administrative Procedures Law. 5651

(b) Libraries eligible for grant funds under the 5652 program described in subsection (1) of this section shall include, 5653 but not be limited to, the following: Benton County Library 5654 5655 System, Blackmur Public Library (Yalobusha County), Bolivar County 5656 Library System, Carnegie Public Library of Clarksdale and Coahoma 5657 County, Carroll County Library System, Central Mississippi Regional Library System (Rankin, Scott, Simpson, and Smith 5658 5659 Counties), Columbus-Lowndes Public Library, Copiah-Jefferson Regional Library, Dixie Regional Library System (Calhoun, 5660 5661 Chickasaw, and Pontotoc Counties), East Mississippi Regional 5662 Library System (Clarke and Jasper Counties), Elizabeth Jones Library (Grenada County), First Regional Library System (DeSoto, 5663 5664 Lafayette, Panola, Tate, and Tunica Counties), Greenwood-Leflore Public Library, Hancock County Library System, Harriette Person 5665 5666 Memorial Library (Claiborne County), Harrison County Library System, The Library of Hattiesburg, Petal and Forrest County, 5667 Homochitto Valley Library Service (Adams and Wilkinson Counties), 5668 5669 Humphreys County Library, Jackson-George Regional Library System, Jackson/Hinds Library System, Kemper-Newton Regional Library 5670 5671 System, Lamar County Library System, Laurel-Jones County Library 5672 System, Lee-Itawamba County Library System,

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Lincoln-Lawrence-Franklin Regional Library System, Long Beach 5673 5674 Public Library (Harrison County), Madison County Library System, Marks-Quitman County Library, Marshall County Library, 5675 5676 Meridian-Lauderdale County Public Library, Mid-Mississippi 5677 Regional Library System (Attala, Holmes, Leake, Montgomery and 5678 Winston Counties), Neshoba County Public Library, Northeast Regional Library System (Alcorn, Prentiss, Tippah, and Tishomingo 5679 Counties), Noxubee County Library, Pearl River County Library 5680 System, Pike-Amite-Walthall Library System, Pine Forest Regional 5681 Library System (Covington, Greene, Perry, and Stone Counties), 5682 5683 South Delta Library Services (Issaquena, Sharkey, and Yazoo Counties), South Mississippi Regional Library System (Jefferson 5684 5685 Davis and Marion Counties), Starkville-Oktibbeha County Library, Sunflower County Library, Tallahatchie County Library, Tombigbee 5686 Regional Library System (Choctaw, Clay, Monroe, and Webster 5687 Counties), Union County Library System - Jennie Stephens Smith 5688 5689 Library, Warren County-Vicksburg Public Library, Washington County 5690 Library, Wayne County Library, and Yalobusha County Public The Mississippi Library Commission may designate other 5691 Library. 5692 public libraries as eligible for grant funds under the program described in subsection (1) of this section. 5693

5694 Section 76. (1) The Mississippi Library Commission, at one time, or from time to time, may declare by resolution the 5695 5696 necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of 5697 Mississippi to provide funds for the grant program authorized in Section 75 of this act. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the 5698 5699 Mississippi Library Commission, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds 5700 authorized by this section, the Mississippi Library Commission 5701 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 5702 5703 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 5704 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell 5705

5706 the bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things 5707 necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale 5708 of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under Sections 74 5709 through 90 of this act shall not exceed Thirteen Million Dollars 5710 (\$13,000,000.00).

5711 (2) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 5712 special fund created in Section 75 of this act shall be used to 5713 pay debt service on bonds issued under Sections 74 through 90 of 5714 this act, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance 5715 of such bonds.

5716 Section 77. The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized under Sections 74 through 90 of this act shall be 5717 5718 payable in the manner provided in this section. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, 5719 bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set 5720 forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable 5721 5722 at such place or places within or without the State of 5723 Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable 5724 5725 before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and 5726 5727 shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the commission. 5728

Section 78. The bonds authorized by Sections 74 through 90 5729 5730 of this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the 5731 5732 commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to 5733 such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such 5734 officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the 5735 officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the 5736 5737 time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have 5738

been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of 5739 5740 such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as 5741 5742 if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in 5743 office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in 5744 office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as 5745 provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi. 5746

5747 Section 79. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the 5748 provisions of Sections 74 through 90 of this act have all the 5749 qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the 5750 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the 5751 powers granted by Sections 74 through 90 of this act, the 5752 commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the 5753 provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Section 80. The commission shall act as the issuing agent 5754 for the bonds authorized under Sections 74 through 90 of this act, 5755 5756 prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 5757 5758 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 5759 5760 issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 5761 5762 and delivery of the bonds authorized under Sections 74 through 90 5763 of this act from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed bids at public 5764 5765 sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such sale shall be 5766 made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to the date of 5767 5768 delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All interest accruing on 5769 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; 5770 however, the first interest payment may be for any period of not

5771 more than one (1) year.

5772 Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at 5773 least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of 5774 sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers 5775 published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, 5776 Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial 5777 journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the 5778 commission.

5779 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 5780 Sections 74 through 90 of this act, may provide that bonds, at the 5781 option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment 5782 and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued 5783 interest on such date or dates named therein.

5784 Section 81. The bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 74 through 90 of this act are general obligations of the 5785 State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith 5786 and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. 5787 Ιf 5788 the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay 5789 the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from 5790 5791 any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially 5792 5793 covering the provisions of this section.

Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the Section 82. 5794 provisions of Sections 74 through 90 of this act, the commission 5795 5796 shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in Section 75 of this act. The proceeds of 5797 5798 such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, 5799 if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the 5800 5801 issuance of the bonds.

5802 Section 83. The bonds authorized under Sections 74 through 5803 90 of this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the 5804 happening of any other conditions or things other than those

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5805 proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required 5806 by Sections 74 through 90 of this act. Any resolution providing 5807 for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of Sections 74 5808 through 90 of this act shall become effective immediately upon its 5809 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 5810 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 5811 of its members.

Section 84. The bonds authorized under the authority of 5812 Sections 74 through 90 of this act may be validated in the 5813 Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, 5814 5815 Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the 5816 5817 validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be 5818 published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation 5819 in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 5820

5821 Section 85. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 5822 of Sections 74 through 90 of this act or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by 5823 5824 suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under Sections 74 through 90 of this 5825 5826 act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by Sections 74 through 90 of 5827 this act to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 5828 5829 bonds and interest thereon.

5830 Section 86. All bonds issued under the provisions of 5831 Sections 74 through 90 of this act shall be legal investments for 5832 trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust 5833 companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the 5834 State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities 5835 which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public 5836 officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and

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5837 political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of 5838 public funds.

5839 Section 87. Bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 74 5840 through 90 of this act and income therefrom shall be exempt from 5841 all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

5842 Section 88. The proceeds of the bonds issued under Sections 5843 74 through 90 of this act shall be used solely for the purposes 5844 therein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and 5845 sale of such bonds.

Section 89. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 5846 5847 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 5848 5849 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 5850 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 5851 accreted value of, all bonds issued under Sections 74 through 90 5852 5853 of this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary 5854 amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on 5855 5856 the due dates thereof.

5857 Section 90. Sections 74 through 90 of this act shall be 5858 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the 5859 powers therein granted, but Sections 74 through 90 of this act 5860 shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any 5861 existing law of this state.

5862 **SECTION 50.** Chapter 578, Laws of 1999, as amended by Chapter 5863 582, Laws of 2000, as amended by Section 47, Chapter 550, Laws of 5864 2002, is amended as follows:

5865 Section 1. As used in this act, the following words shall 5866 have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 5867 requires otherwise:

5868 (a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date 5869 of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated

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5870 initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon 5871 from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, 5872 compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the 5873 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 5874 maturity.

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(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 5876 (C)5877 Section 2. (1) A special fund, to be designated the "1999 Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission and Stennis Space Center 5878 Improvement Fund," is created within the State Treasury. 5879 The fund 5880 shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the 5881 5882 state, and investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund. 5883

5884 (2) Monies deposited into the fund shall be expended for the 5885 following projects:

Construction of necessary utilities, roads, 5886 (a) 5887 buildings, parking and wastewater treatment systems within the fee area of the Stennis Space Center provided such sites and any 5888 5889 improvements thereon have been purchased by the State of Mississippi or the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission or 5890 5891 leased by the State of Mississippi or the Hancock County Port and 5892 Harbor Commission for a period of not less than forty-nine (49) years; and 5893

(b) Modification of the Mississippi Army Ammunition Plant at the Stennis Space Center and the construction of a fifty thousand (50,000) square foot addition to such plant for the purpose of manufacturing rockets.

(3) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
disbursed to pay the costs of the project described in subsection
(2) of this section. Monies in the fund which are derived from
the proceeds of bonds issued under this act, as amended by Senate
Bill No. 2988, 2003 Regular Session, shall be disbursed to pay

final costs for completion of the project described in subsection 5903 5904 (2)(a) of this section. If any monies in such special fund are not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the 5905 5906 bonds authorized under this act are deposited into the special 5907 fund, then the Department of Finance and Administration shall 5908 provide an accounting of such unused monies to the commission. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly 5909 adopted, that the project described in subsection (2) of this 5910 section shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be 5911 completed in a timely fashion, any amount remaining in such 5912 5913 special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under this act, in accordance with the proceedings 5914 5915 authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission. Before monies in such special fund may be used for 5916 the project described in subsection (2)(a) of this section, the 5917 Department of Economic and Community Development shall require any 5918 enterprise for which such project is to be completed to enter into 5919 5920 binding commitments regarding at least the following matters: (a) that the enterprise create a certain minimum number of jobs and 5921 5922 maintain such jobs for a certain minimum period of time, (b) that the enterprise remain in the project facility for a certain 5923 5924 minimum period of time, and (c) that if the enterprise fails to satisfy any such commitment, the enterprise must repay all or a 5925 portion of the funds used to complete the project. 5926 5927 (4)The Department of Finance and Administration, acting

through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 5928 5929 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 5930 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 5931 The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 5932 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 5933 5934 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 5935

5936 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 5937 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

The Department of Finance and Administration is hereby 5938 (5) 5939 authorized to receive rental payments from any tenant occupying 5940 space in the facilities described in subsection (2)(a) of this 5941 section. Monies received for rent of such facilities are to be deposited into a special fund, which is hereby established within 5942 the State Treasury, and shall be used for major maintenance and 5943 repair expenses of such facilities. Unexpended amounts remaining 5944 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 5945 5946 State General Fund and any interest earned on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund. 5947

Section 3. (1) (a) A special fund, to be designated as the 5948 "1999 General Building 1016 Capital Improvements Fund," is created 5949 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 5950 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 5951 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 5952 5953 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund and any interest earned or investment earnings 5954 5955 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(b) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration to pay the costs of repairs, renovations and improvements to General Building 1016 at the Tri-State Commerce Park in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, that are necessary to utilize such building for the manufacture of rocket parts.

(2) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
disbursed to pay the costs of the project described in subsection
(1) of this section. Promptly after the commission has certified,
by resolution duly adopted, that the project described in
subsection (1) of this section shall have been completed,
abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amount
remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt

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5969 service on the bonds issued under this act, in accordance with the 5970 proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed 5971 by the commission.

5972 (3) The Department of Finance and Administration, acting 5973 through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 5974 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 5975 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. 5976 The 5977 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 5978 5979 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 5980 5981 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 5982

5983 Section 4. (1) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of 5984 general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 5985 5986 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in Sections 2 and 3 of this act. Upon the adoption of a 5987 5988 resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the 5989 5990 general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified 5991 copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. 5992 Upon 5993 receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, 5994 5995 advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and all other things necessary 5996 and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such 5997 5998 bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under this act shall not exceed Thirty-nine Million Eight Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars 5999 6000 (\$39,880,000.00). The bonds authorized under this act may not be 6001 issued after July 1, 2004, and the bonds authorized under this

6002 act, as amended by Senate Bill No. 2988, 2003 Regular Session,

6003 shall be the final bonds authorized for the project described in6004 Section 2(2)(a) of this act.

6005 (2) The proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to this act 6006 shall be deposited into the following special funds in not more 6007 than the following amounts:

(a) The 1999 Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission
and Stennis Space Center Improvement Fund created pursuant to
Section 2 of this act..... \$31,880,000.00.

The 1999 General Building 1016 Capital Improvements 6011 (b) 6012 Fund created pursuant to Section 3 of this act.... \$ 8,000,000.00. Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 6013 (3) 6014 special funds created in Sections 2 and 3 of this act shall be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this act, in 6015 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 6016 6017 bonds.

(4) The proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to this act
shall be used to provide funds for all costs incurred or to be
incurred for the purposes described in Sections 2 and 3 of this
act as such sections may be amended from time to time.

The principal of and interest on the bonds 6022 Section 5. 6023 authorized under this act shall be payable in the manner provided 6024 in this section. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or 6025 6026 rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 6027 6028 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 6029 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 6030 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 6031 6032 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 6033 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the

6034 commission.

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Section 6. The bonds authorized by this act shall be signed 6035 6036 by the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 6037 6038 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 6039 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 6040 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 6041 6042 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 6043 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 6044 6045 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 6046 6047 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 6048 6049 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 6050 However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, bear. 6051 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 6052 the State of Mississippi.

Section 7. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of this act have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this act, the commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

6059 Section 8. The commission shall act as the issuing agent for 6060 the bonds authorized under this act, prescribe the form of the 6061 bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in such 6062 6063 issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and 6064 advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. 6065 The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that 6066 are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds 6067 authorized under this act from the proceeds derived from the sale

of such bonds. The commission shall sell such bonds on sealed 6068 6069 bids at public sale, and for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such 6070 6071 sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest 6072 to the date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. All 6073 interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually; however, the first interest payment may 6074 be for any period of not more than one (1) year. 6075

Notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and in one or more other newspapers or financial journals with a national circulation, to be selected by the commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of this act, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

Section 9. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act 6088 6089 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 6090 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 6091 6092 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 6093 6094 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 6095 6096 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of this section. 6097

6098 Section 10. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the 6099 provisions of this act, the commission shall transfer the proceeds 6100 of any such sale or sales to the special funds created in Sections

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6101 2 and 3 of this act in the amounts provided for in Section 4(2) of 6102 this act. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely 6103 upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration 6104 under such restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the 6105 resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds.

6106 Section 11. The bonds authorized under this act may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 6107 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 6108 things which are specified or required by this act. 6109 Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 6110 6111 provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 6112 6113 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority of its members. 6114

Section 12. The bonds authorized under the authority of this 6115 act may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial 6116 District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the 6117 6118 force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school 6119 6120 district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 6121 6122 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

Section 13. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 6123 6124 of this act or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto 6125 may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted 6126 6127 under this act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this act to be 6128 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 6129 interest thereon. 6130

6131 Section 14. All bonds issued under the provisions of this 6132 act shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, 6133 and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies

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6134 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 6135 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 6136 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 6137 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 6138 of securing the deposit of public funds.

6139 Section 15. Bonds issued under the provisions of this act 6140 and income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the 6141 State of Mississippi.

5142 Section 16. The proceeds of the bonds issued under this act 5143 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 5144 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

Section 17. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 6145 6146 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 6147 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 6148 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 6149 6150 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 6151 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated 6152 6153 place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to 6154 discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 6155 thereof.

6156 Section 18. This act shall be deemed to be full and complete 6157 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 6158 act shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any 6159 existing law of this state.

6160 **SECTION 51.** Sections 18 through 32, Chapter 532, Laws of 6161 1995, are amended as follows

5162 Section 18. Sections 18 through 32 of this act shall be 5163 known and may be cited as the "Pearl River Public Recreation Act 5164 of 1995."

6165 Section 19. The Legislature hereby finds, declares and

6166 determines that:

(a) The Pearl River Valley Water Supply District, a
public body corporate and politic and an agency of the State of
Mississippi, comprising the counties of Hinds, Leake, Madison,
Rankin and Scott, is authorized to establish or otherwise provide
for public parks and public recreation facilities.

(b) Pursuant to this authority, the Pearl River Valley
Water Supply District is completing a feasibility study for the
construction of public parks and public outdoor recreational
facilities within its project area, all of which will be
accessible to the citizens of Mississippi and tourists utilizing
the Natchez Trace.

(c) In implementing the projects identified in this
act, the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District will be acting
in all respects for the benefit of the people of the State of
Mississippi in the performance of essential public functions and
will be serving a valid public purpose in improving and promoting
their health, welfare and prosperity, and the enactment of the
provisions hereinafter set forth is for a valid public purpose.

(d) The borrowing of money and the issuance of state bonds to defray a portion of the cost of planning, design and construction of the proposed projects and the borrowing of money and the issuance of the district bonds serve valid public purposes in that the projects and facilities to be financed will contribute significantly to the growth of recreational opportunities and economic development of the state.

6192 Section 20. Words and phrases used in Sections 18 through 32 6193 of this act shall have the following meanings:

(a) "District" means the Pearl River Valley Water
Supply District created pursuant to Sections 51-9-101 through
51-9-161, Mississippi Code of 1972.

6197 (b) "Board of directors" means the board of directors 6198 of the district.

(c) "District bonds" means bonds, and interim notes
that have maturity of three (3) years or less and other
certificates of indebtedness of the district issued pursuant to
the provisions of Section 24 of this act.

(d) "Person" means any natural person, corporation,
association, partnership, receiver, trustee, guardian, executor,
administrator, fiduciary, governmental unit, public agency,
political subdivision, or any other group acting as a unit, and
the plural as well as the singular.

"Project" or "projects" means one or more public 6208 (e) 6209 park and public recreation facilities situated within the project area and described in Section 23 of this act, which are authorized 6210 to be constructed or improved by the district with the proceeds of 6211 state bonds, together with easements and rights-of-way required 6212 for construction, maintenance and operation of a project or 6213 necessary or desirable in connection with providing utilities, 6214 6215 roads and other access facilities to a project.

(f) "Project area" means the land, easements andrights-of-way owned by the district.

6218 "Public agency" means and includes: (i) the state (q) and any department, board, commission, institution or other agency 6219 6220 or instrumentality of the state; (ii) any city, town, county, political subdivision or district created or existing under the 6221 6222 laws of the state or any public agency of any such city, town, 6223 county, political subdivision or district; and (iii) any department, commission, agency or instrumentality of the United 6224 6225 States of America.

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(h) "State" means State of Mississippi.

(i) "State bonds" means general obligation bonds, notes
or other evidences of the State of Mississippi issued pursuant to
the provisions of Section 22 of this act.

6230 Section 21. The district shall serve as the implementing 6231 agency with regard to the planning, design, construction,

6232 maintenance and operation of the projects set out in Section 23 of 6233 this act. The district shall coordinate all aspects of the 6234 projects and facilities relating to the projects with other 6235 affected public agencies. All public agencies in the state are 6236 authorized to cooperate with the district to the fullest extent 6237 necessary to effectuate and implement the projects of the district 6238 set out in Section 23 of this act.

Section 22. (1) Upon approval by the district of plans for 6239 the design and construction of the projects authorized by Section 6240 23 of this act, the district shall file with the State Bond 6241 6242 Commission a copy of such plans and the estimated cost to the district of the planning, design and construction of such 6243 6244 projects. The State Bond Commission shall thereupon be authorized to borrow money and issue general obligation bonds of the State of 6245 Mississippi for the purposes of defraying the costs of the 6246 projects in the respective amounts set out in Section 23 of this 6247 The district through its board of directors may thereafter 6248 act. 6249 from time to time adopt resolutions declaring the necessity for the issuance of state bonds for one or more projects and forward 6250 6251 such resolutions to the State Bond Commission.

(2) Upon receipt of any such resolution from the district,
the State Bond Commission, upon verifying that the projects
described therein are eligible for funding by issuance of state
bonds pursuant to Section 23 of this act, shall issue the series
of state bonds requested to be issued in such resolution.

State bonds may be issued in one or more series. 6257 (3) State 6258 bonds issued under the authority of this section shall not exceed in aggregate principal amount the sum of Two Million Dollars 6259 (\$2,000,000.00). Such bonds shall be issued from time to time and 6260 in such principal amounts as shall be fixed by the State Bond 6261 6262 Commission pursuant to resolutions of the board of directors of 6263 the district, not to exceed the aggregate amount authorized in

6264 this section.

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(4) From the gross proceeds from sale of state bonds, the State Bond Commission may provide for debt service reserves and for paying accountant's fees, attorneys' fees, rating agency fees and other fees and expenses in connection with the issuance of the state bonds.

The net proceeds from the sale of the state bonds issued 6270 (5) pursuant to this section shall be deposited in a special fund in 6271 the State Treasury designated as the Pearl River Valley Water 6272 Supply District Public Park and Public Recreational Facility 6273 Project Fund. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer 6274 6275 as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state, and investment earnings on amounts in 6276 6277 the fund shall be deposited into such fund. Amounts in the fund shall be disbursed to the district as needed and applied to defray 6278 approved costs incurred by the district in the planning, design 6279 6280 and construction of the projects located within the project area 6281 and in the acquisition of easements and rights-of-way appurtenant 6282 thereto;

6283 The principal of and the interest on the state bonds (6) 6284 shall be payable in the manner hereinafter set forth. The state bonds shall bear date or dates, be in such denomination or 6285 6286 denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates, be payable at 6287 such place or places within or without the state, shall mature absolutely at such time or times, be redeemable prior to maturity 6288 6289 at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be 6290 6291 substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the State Bond Commission in conformity with this 6292 section; provided, however, that such state bonds shall mature or 6293 6294 otherwise be retired in annual installments beginning not more than five (5) years from date thereof and extending not more than 6295 6296 twenty-five (25) years from date thereof. The state bonds shall 6297 be signed by the Chairman of the State Bond Commission, or by his

facsimile signature, and the official seal of the State Bond 6298 Commission shall be affixed thereto or imprinted thereon, attested 6299 6300 by the manual or facsimile signature of the Secretary of the State 6301 Bond Commission. Whenever any such state bonds shall have been 6302 signed by the officials herein designated to sign the bonds, who 6303 were in office at the time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers prior to the sale and delivery of such bonds, 6304 or who may not have been in office on the date such bonds may 6305 bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds shall have 6306 6307 the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds 6308 had remained in office until the delivery of the same to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. 6309

6310 (7) All state bonds issued under the provisions of this section shall be and are hereby declared to have all the qualities 6311 and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of 6312 the Uniform Commercial Code. In exercising the powers granted by 6313 6314 this act, the State Bond Commission shall not be required to, and 6315 need not comply with, the provisions of the Uniform Commercial State bonds and income therefrom shall be exempt from all 6316 Code. 6317 taxation within the State of Mississippi.

The State Bond Commission shall sell the state bonds on (8)6318 6319 sealed bids at public sale, for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, but no such 6320 6321 sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued interest to date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser. 6322 The state bonds shall bear interest at such rate or rates, not exceeding the 6323 6324 limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, as may be fixed by the State Bond Commission, as specified in accepted bid. Notice of 6325 the sale of any state bond shall be published at least one time, 6326 the first of which shall be made not less than ten (10) days prior 6327 to the date of sale, in one or more newspapers having a general 6328 6329 circulation in the City of Jackson and in one or more other

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6330 newspapers or financial journals with a large national6331 circulation, to be selected by the State Bond Commission.

The State Bond Commission may provide that any bonds, at the option of the state, may be called in for payment and redemption at the call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or dates named therein.

State bonds issued under the provisions of this section 6336 (9) shall be the general obligations of the state and backed by the 6337 full faith and credit of the state, and if the funds appropriated 6338 by the Legislature shall be insufficient to pay the principal of 6339 6340 and the interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in 6341 6342 the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All state bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially covering the 6343 foregoing provisions of this section. 6344

The State Treasurer is hereby authorized, without (10)6345 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance 6346 6347 and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and Administration is hereby authorized and directed to 6348 6349 issue such warrants payable out of any funds authorized by this section for such purpose, in such amounts as may be necessary to 6350 6351 pay when due the principal of and interest on all state bonds 6352 issued under the provisions of this section; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated 6353 6354 place or places of payment of said bonds in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 6355 6356 thereof.

(11) The state bonds may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this act. Any resolution providing for the issuance of state bonds under the provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the State

6363 Bond Commission, and any such resolution may be adopted at any 6364 regular or special meeting of the State Bond Commission by a 6365 majority of its members.

6366 (12)In anticipation of the issuance of state bonds 6367 hereunder, the State Bond Commission is hereby authorized to 6368 negotiate and enter into any purchase, loan, credit or other agreement with any bank, trust company or other lending 6369 institution for the purpose of making any payments authorized 6370 under this section. All borrowing made under this provision shall 6371 be evidenced by notes of the state which shall be issued from time 6372 6373 to time, for such amounts not exceeding the amount of state bonds authorized herein, in such form and in such denomination and 6374 subject to such terms and conditions of sale and issuance, 6375 prepayment or redemption and maturity, rate or rates of interest 6376 not to exceed the maximum rate authorized herein for bonds, and 6377 time of payment of interest as the State Bond Commission shall 6378 6379 agree to in such agreement. Such notes shall constitute general 6380 obligations of the state and shall be backed by the full faith and credit of the state. Such notes may also be issued for the 6381 6382 purpose of refunding previously issued notes; provided, however, that no notes shall mature more than three (3) years following the 6383 6384 date of issuance of the first note hereunder and, provided further, that all outstanding notes shall be retired from the 6385 proceeds of the first issuance of bonds hereunder. The State Bond 6386 6387 Commission is authorized to provide for the compensation of any purchaser of the notes by payment of a fixed fee or commission and 6388 6389 for all other costs and expenses of issuance and service, 6390 including paying agent costs. Such costs and expenses may be paid from the proceeds of the notes. 6391

6392 (13) The bonds and notes authorized under the authority of 6393 this section may be validated in the First Judicial District of 6394 the Chancery Court of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 6395 with the force and effect provided now or hereafter by Chapter 13,

6396 Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972. The necessary papers for such 6397 validation proceedings shall be transmitted to the State Bond 6398 Attorney, and the required notice of validation shall be published 6399 in a newspaper published in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and 6400 having a general circulation in the state.

6401 Section 23. Monies deposited into the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District Public Park and Public Recreational 6402 Facilities Project Fund shall be allocated and disbursed under the 6403 6404 provisions of this act to the district to defray costs of 6405 planning, design and construction of the following authorized 6406 public park and public recreational facilities projects of the 6407 district in the maximum amount allocated to each such project as 6408 follows:

(1) Planning, design and construction of additional
recreational vehicle camping pads, tent camping area, hiking
trails and other renovations and improvements at Leake County
Water Park in Leake County, Mississippi, the sum of Two Hundred
Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00).

6414 (2) Planning, design and construction of group cabins,
6415 hiking trails, playground and other renovations and improvements
6416 at Coal Bluff Park and Campground in Scott County, Mississippi,
6417 the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00).

(3) Planning, design and construction of amphitheater and
stage, playground, picnic shelters and other renovations and
improvements at Old Trace Park in Madison County, Mississippi, the
sum of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00).

(4) Planning, design and construction of playground, beach
area, outdoor recreational facilities, camping facilities and
other renovations and improvements at Lakeshore Park and
Timberlake Campground in Rankin County, Mississippi, the sum of
Five Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$550,000.00).

6427 (5) Planning, design and construction of approximately6428 twenty-three (23) miles of multipurpose trails from Natchez Trace

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Parkway/Old Trace Park in Madison County across the main reservoir dam, around Pelahatchie Bay and across Northshore Causeway in Rankin County, Mississippi, and acquisition of necessary easements and rights-of-way, the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00), to defray local share of United States Department of Transportation Grant Funding.

The district shall have the power and is 6435 Section 24. (1) hereby authorized, from time to time, to borrow money and to issue 6436 bonds in such principal amounts as the district may determine to 6437 6438 be necessary to provide funds to defray any portion of the cost 6439 for planning, design and construction of revenue-producing public parks and public recreation facilities owned by the district and 6440 6441 located within the project area. The principal amount of bonds issued under the authority of this section and Section 25 of this 6442 6443 act at any time outstanding shall not exceed an aggregate principal amount of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00). 6444

Bonds of the district issued pursuant to this section 6445 (2) 6446 and Section 25 of this act shall be payable (except to the extent that payment may be made from bond proceeds deposited or 6447 6448 accumulated in any capitalized interest fund or bond reserve fund) solely from and secured by a pledge of all or any designated part 6449 6450 of the net revenues received by the district, exclusive of any funds derived pursuant to Sections 51-9-131 and 51-9-139, 6451 6452 Mississippi Code of 1972. Such bonds may be issued and secured 6453 under a trust indenture between the district and a corporate trustee, which may be any trust company or bank having powers of a 6454 6455 trust company located within or without the state, and by reserves established thereunder to secure the payment of principal and 6456 interest of such bonds. Any pledge of earnings, revenues or other 6457 monies made by the district shall be valid and binding from the 6458 6459 time the pledge is made. The earnings, revenues or other monies 6460 so pledged and thereafter received by the district shall immediately be subject to the lien of such pledge without any 6461

6462 physical delivery thereof or further act, and the lien of any such 6463 pledge shall be valid and binding as against all parties having 6464 claims of any kind against the district irrespective of whether 6465 such parties have notice thereof. Neither the bond resolution, 6466 trust indenture nor any other instrument by which a pledge is 6467 created need be recorded.

Bonds of the district issued pursuant to this section 6468 (3) may be authorized and issued in one or more series by a resolution 6469 or resolutions of the board of directors, without publication of 6470 notice of intent and without an election on the question of the 6471 6472 issuance thereof. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times, bear interest at such rate or rates, 6473 6474 be in such denomination or denominations, be in such form, carry 6475 such conversion privileges, have such rank or priority, be executed in such manner and by such officers, be payable from such 6476 sources in such medium of payment at such place or places within 6477 6478 or without the state, be subject to such terms of redemption prior 6479 to maturity, all as may be provided by resolution or resolutions of the board of directors. Such bonds may be executed and 6480 6481 delivered at any time as a single issue or from time to time as 6482 several issues, and may mature or become payable in such amounts 6483 and at such time or times not exceeding ten (10) years from their date, all as may be provided by resolution or resolutions of the 6484 board of directors. 6485

6486 (4)Bonds of the district issued pursuant to this act may be sold at a price not less than ninety-eight percent (98%) of par 6487 6488 value plus accrued interest, at public or private sale, at such times as may be determined by the district to be in the public 6489 interest, and the district may pay from the proceeds thereof all 6490 expenses, premiums, fees and commissions which it may deem 6491 6492 necessary and advantageous in connection with the issuance and 6493 sale thereof.

Whenever any bonds issued pursuant to this act shall 6494 (5) have been signed by the officer or officers designated by the 6495 resolution of the board of directors to sign the bonds, who were 6496 6497 in office at the time of such signing but who may have ceased to 6498 be such officer or officers prior to the sale and delivery of such 6499 bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the manual or facsimile signatures of such officer or 6500 officers upon such bonds, shall nevertheless be valid and 6501 6502 sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person or persons, so officially executing such bonds had remained 6503 6504 in office until the delivery of the same to the purchaser or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. 6505

6506 (6) Proceeds from the sale of bonds issued pursuant to this section may be applied only for the purposes of (i) defraying the 6507 costs incurred by the district with respect to construction of the 6508 6509 revenue-producing public parks and public recreation facilities on land owned by the district and located within the project area of 6510 6511 the district, including costs of design and engineering, costs incurred to provide easements, rights-of-way and relocation costs 6512 6513 related to the project; (ii) providing for the payment of interest on the bonds; (iii) providing debt service reserves; and (iv) 6514 6515 paying underwriters discount, original issue discount, 6516 accountants' fees, engineers' fees, attorneys' fees, rating agency 6517 fees and other fees and expenses in connection with the issuance 6518 of the bonds and other necessary and proper expenses of the district in connection with the project and facilities related to 6519 the project. Proceeds from the sale of bonds issued pursuant to 6520 this act may be invested, subject to federal limitations, pending 6521 their use, in such securities as may be specified in the 6522 resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds or the trust 6523 indenture securing them, and the earning on such investment 6524 6525 applied as provided in such resolution or trust indenture.

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(7) Neither the members of the board of directors nor any
person executing the bonds shall be personally liable on the bonds
or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by
reason of the issuance thereof.

6530 (8) In anticipation of the issuance of bonds under this 6531 section, the district is hereby authorized to negotiate and enter into any loan or credit agreement with any bank, trust company or 6532 other lending institution for the purpose of making any payments 6533 authorized under this act. All borrowing made under this 6534 provision shall be evidenced by notes of the district which shall 6535 6536 be issued from time to time, for such amounts not exceeding the amount of bonds authorized herein, in such form and in such 6537 6538 denomination and subject to such terms and conditions of sale and issuance, prepayment or redemption and maturity, rate or rates of 6539 interest not to exceed the maximum rate authorized herein for 6540 6541 bonds, and time of payment of interest as the district shall agree 6542 to in such agreement. Such notes may also be issued for the 6543 purpose of refunding previously issued notes; provided that no notes shall mature more than three (3) years following the date of 6544 6545 issuance of the first note hereunder and provided further, that all outstanding notes shall be retired from the proceeds of the 6546 6547 first issuance of bonds hereunder. The district is authorized to 6548 provide for the compensation of any purchaser of the notes by payment of a fixed fee or commission and for all other costs and 6549 6550 expenses of issuance and service, including paying agent costs. Such costs and expenses may be paid from the proceeds of the 6551 6552 notes.

Section 25. The district may issue refunding bonds for the purpose of paying any of its bonds issued pursuant to Section <u>24</u> of this act at or prior to maturity or upon acceleration or redemption. Refunding bonds may be issued at such time prior to the maturity or redemption of the refunded bonds as the board of directors deems to be in the public interest, without notice and

without an election on the question of the issuance thereof. 6559 The 6560 refunding bonds may be issued in sufficient amounts to pay or 6561 provide the principal of the bonds being refunded, together with 6562 any redemption premium thereon, any interest accrued or to accrue 6563 to the date of payment of such bonds, the expenses of issue of the 6564 refunding bonds, the expenses of redeeming the bonds being refunded, and such reserves for debt service or other capital or 6565 current expenses from the proceeds of such refunding bonds as may 6566 6567 be required by the resolution, trust indenture or other security instruments. The issue of refunding bonds, the maturities and 6568 6569 other details thereof, the security therefor, the rights of the holders and the rights, duties and obligations of the district in 6570 6571 respect of the same shall be governed by the provisions of this act relating to the issue of bonds other than refunding bonds 6572 insofar as the same may be applicable. Any such refunding may be 6573 effected, whether the obligations to be refunded shall have then 6574 matured or shall thereafter mature, either by the exchange of the 6575 6576 refunding bonds for the obligations to be refunded thereby with the consent of the holders of the obligations so to be refunded, 6577 6578 or by sale of the refunding bonds and the application of the proceeds thereof to the payment of the obligations proposed to be 6579 6580 refunded thereby, and regardless of whether the obligations 6581 proposed to be refunded shall be payable on the same date or different dates or shall be due serially or otherwise. 6582

6583 Section 26. All bonds (other than refunding bonds, interim notes and certificates of indebtedness, which may be validated) 6584 6585 issued by the district pursuant to Section 24 of this act shall be validated as provided in Sections 31-13-1 through 31-13-11, 6586 Mississippi Code of 1972; provided, however, that notice of such 6587 validation proceedings shall be addressed to the taxpayers of all 6588 6589 counties comprising the district and such notice shall be 6590 published at least once in a newspaper or newspapers published in and having a general circulation within the geographical 6591

boundaries of each of the counties comprising the district. 6592 Such 6593 validation proceedings shall be instituted in the First Judicial District of the Chancery Court of Hinds County. The validity of 6594 6595 the bonds so validated and of the pledge of the specified revenues 6596 of the district for payment and security for the bonds shall be 6597 forever conclusive against the district and the counties comprising the district; and the validity of said bonds and the 6598 pledge of such revenues for the payment thereof shall never be 6599 6600 called in question in any court in this state.

6601 Section 27. Bonds issued by the district pursuant to 6602 Sections 24 and 25 of this act shall not be deemed to constitute a debt, liability or obligation of any public agency or political 6603 6604 subdivision other than the district, and shall be payable solely from the revenues, monies and funds of the district specifically 6605 pledged therefor. Each bond shall contain on the face thereof a 6606 6607 statement to the effect that the district shall not be obligated 6608 to pay the same nor the interest thereon except from those sources 6609 specifically pledged therefor and that neither the full faith and credit of the district, nor the full faith and credit and taxing 6610 6611 power of the State of Mississippi or any county or political subdivision or public agency thereof is pledged to the payment of 6612 6613 the principal of or the interest on such bond.

Section 28. The district may, in any authorizing resolution 6614 6615 of the board of directors, trust indenture or other security 6616 instrument relating to its bonds, provide for the appointment of a trustee who shall have such powers as are provided therein to 6617 6618 represent the registered owners of any issue of bonds in the enforcement or protection of their rights under any such 6619 resolution, trust indenture or security instrument. The district 6620 may also provide in such resolution, trust indenture or other 6621 security instrument that the trustee, or in the event that the 6622 6623 trustee so appointed shall fail or decline to so protect and 6624 enforce such registered owners' rights then such percentage of

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registered owners as shall be set forth in, and subject to the 6625 6626 provisions of, such resolution, trust indenture or other security 6627 interest, may petition the court of proper jurisdiction for the 6628 appointment of a receiver of the revenues of which are pledged to 6629 the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds of such 6630 registered owners. Such receiver may exercise any power as may be granted in any such resolution, trust indenture or security 6631 instrument to collect, enforce and receive all such revenues, and 6632 6633 carry out the contracts and obligations of the district in the same manner as the district itself might do, all under the 6634 6635 direction of such court.

Section 29. Any bonds issued by the district under the provisions of Sections 24 and 25 of this act, and the income therefrom shall at all times be free from taxation by the state and any local unit or political subdivision or other instrumentality of the state, excepting inheritance and gift taxes.

6642 Section 30. All bonds issued pursuant to this act shall be legal investments for trustees, other fiduciaries, savings banks, 6643 6644 trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi. All bonds issued pursuant to this 6645 6646 act shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 6647 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of the state and all municipalities and other political subdivisions thereof 6648 6649 for the purpose of securing the deposit of public funds.

Section 31. The state hereby covenants with the registered 6650 6651 owners of bonds of the district issued pursuant to this act, that so long as the bonds are outstanding and unpaid the state will not 6652 limit or alter the rights and powers of the district under this 6653 6654 act to conduct the activities referred to herein in any way 6655 pertinent to the interests of the bondholders including without 6656 limitation the district's right to collect revenues and to fulfill 6657 the terms of any covenants made with the registered owners of the

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bonds, or in any other way impair the rights and remedies of the registered owners of the bonds, unless provision for full payment of such bonds, by escrow or otherwise, has been made pursuant to the terms of the bonds or the resolution, trust indenture or security instrument securing the bonds.

6663 Section 32. The provisions of this act are cumulative of other statutes now or hereafter enacted relating to the issuance 6664 of bonds by the district, and the district may exercise all 6665 6666 presently held powers in the furtherance of this act. If anv clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of the provisions of 6667 6668 this act shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or 6669 invalidate the remainder thereof directly involved in the 6670 controversy in which judgment shall have been rendered. 6671

6672 SECTION 52. As used in Sections 52 through 63 of this act, 6673 the following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless 6674 the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Variable rate bonds" shall mean state-supported
debt which bears interest at a rate or rates which vary from time
to time and shall include variable rate refunding bonds.

"Interest rate exchange or similar agreement" shall 6678 (b) 6679 mean a written contract entered into by the state with a 6680 counterparty in connection with state-supported debt to provide for an exchange of payments based upon fixed and/or variable 6681 6682 rates, shall include interest rates, caps, collars, floors and similar agreements and options on each of the foregoing, and shall 6683 be for exchanges in currency of the United States of America only 6684 with such terms determined by the commission to be in the 6685 financial best interest of the state. 6686

(c) "State-supported debt" shall mean any bonds or notes, including bonds or notes issued to fund reserve funds and costs of issuance and refunding bonds or refunding notes,

6690 currently outstanding or authorized to be issued by the state for

which the state is or will be constitutionally obligated to pay debt service or is or will be contractually obligated to pay debt service subject to an appropriation; however, this definition shall not apply to debt issued by the Mississippi Development Bank or similar state agencies or authorities.

6696 (d) "Counterparty" shall mean the provider of or other 6697 party to an interest rate exchange or similar agreement.

(e) "State" shall mean the State of Mississippi.
(f) "Commission" shall mean the State Bond Commission
of the state.

(g) "Variable rate debt instruments" shall mean variable rate bonds, variable rate refunding bonds and interest rate exchange or similar agreements which result in the state effectively paying interest at a rate or rates which vary from time to time.

6706 "Excluded agreements" shall mean the total notional (h) 6707 amount of interest rate exchange or similar agreements entered 6708 into for the purpose of reducing, reversing or unwinding another interest rate exchange or similar agreement or eliminating a 6709 6710 situation of risk or exposure under an existing interest rate exchange or similar agreement, including, but not limited to, a 6711 6712 counterparty downgrade, default, or other actual or potential economic loss. 6713

SECTION 53. The purpose of Sections 52 through 63 of this 6714 6715 act is to provide full and complete authority for the state, acting by and through the commission, to issue or enter into 6716 6717 variable rate debt instruments. No procedure or proceedings, publications, notices, consents, limitations, approvals, orders, 6718 acts or things, other than those required by Sections 52 through 6719 63 of this act, shall be required to issue or enter into any 6720 6721 variable rate debt instruments or to do any act or perform 6722 anything under Sections 52 through 63 of this act except as otherwise may be prescribed in Sections 52 through 63 of this act. 6723

The powers conferred by Sections 52 through 63 of this act shall be in addition and supplemental to, and not in substitution for, and the limitations imposed by Sections 52 through 63 of this act shall not affect the powers conferred by any other law. Sections 52 through 63 of this act are remedial in nature and shall be liberally construed.

SECTION 54. Notwithstanding any other provision of law 6730 (1) to the contrary, any otherwise authorized state-supported debt may 6731 be issued as variable rate bonds. Except as otherwise provided in 6732 Sections 52 through 63 of this act or when in conflict with the 6733 6734 provisions in Sections 52 through 63 of this act, such variable rate bonds shall be subject to the terms and provisions of the 6735 6736 legislation authorizing the issuance of such state-supported debt.

Variable rate bonds issued by the state pursuant to the 6737 (2) provisions of subsections (1) of this section or Section 55 of 6738 this act, shall be issued pursuant to an authorizing resolution of 6739 6740 the commission. Such variable rate bonds may be issued in one or 6741 more series, may bear such date or dates, may bear interest at such rate or rates, varying from time to time, not to exceed that 6742 6743 allowed by law for the class of bonds being issued, may be in such denominations, may be subject to such terms of redemption (with or 6744 6745 without premium) may be sold at private sale with a competitive element (which sale shall be on such terms and in such manner as 6746 the commission shall determine) and may contain such other terms 6747 6748 and covenants (including, without limitation, covenants for the security and better marketability of such variable rate bonds), as 6749 6750 may be provided by resolution of the commission. Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 52 through 63 of this act, the commission 6751 may enter into such agreements as may be necessary in connection 6752 6753 with the issuance of such variable rate bonds.

6754 **SECTION 55.** (1) This section and other applicable 6755 provisions of Sections 52 through 63 of this act, without 6756 reference to any other statute, shall be deemed full and complete

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6757 authority for the issuance of variable rate refunding bonds by the 6758 state, and shall be construed as an additional and alternative 6759 method therefor.

6760 (2) The state, acting by and through the commission, may 6761 refund outstanding bonds through the issuance of variable rate 6762 refunding bonds. Any such refunding may be effected whether or 6763 not the bonds to be refunded shall have then matured or shall 6764 thereafter mature.

(3) Variable rate refunding bonds issued pursuant to
Sections 52 through 63 of this act may be secured by a pledge of:
(a) the same source of security as the bonds to be refunded, or
(b) such other security as the state may lawfully pledge, or both;
all as may be provided by resolution of the commission.

6770 (4) At the time of the issuance of such variable rate 6771 refunding bonds, the commission shall find by resolution that at 6772 the time of such refunding, such refunding is expected to result 6773 in an overall net present value savings to maturity of not less 6774 than two percent (2%) of the bonds being refunded.

6775 **SECTION 56.** In connection with state-supported debt, the 6776 commission shall have the power to:

6777 (a) Enter into interest rate exchange or similar
6778 agreements with any person under such terms and conditions as the
6779 commission may determine, including, but not limited to,
6780 provisions as to default or early termination;

(b) Procure insurance, letters of credit or other
credit enhancement with respect to agreements described in
paragraph (a) of this section;

(c) Provide security for the payment or performance of
its obligations with respect to agreements described in paragraph
(a) of this section from such sources and with the same effect as
is authorized by applicable law with respect to security for its
bonds, notes or other obligations; however, any payment or
performance of obligations with respect to agreements described in

6790 paragraph (a) of this section in connection with debt obligations 6791 which carry the full faith and credit of the state shall be 6792 subject to appropriation;

6793 (d) Modify, amend, or replace, such agreements6794 described in paragraph (a) of this section; and

(e) Because of the complexity of agreements described
in paragraph (a) of this section, the commission may solicit the
provision of such agreements on a competitive or negotiated basis
with a competitive element included.

6799 **SECTION 57.** Any interest rate exchange or similar agreements 6800 entered into pursuant to Section 56 of this act shall be subject 6801 to the following limitations:

The counterparty thereto shall have credit ratings 6802 (a) 6803 from at least one nationally recognized statistical rating agency that is within the two (2) highest investment grade categories and 6804 ratings which are obtained from any other nationally recognized 6805 statistical rating agencies shall also be within the three (3) 6806 6807 highest investment grade categories, or the payment obligations of the counterparty shall be unconditionally guaranteed by an entity 6808 6809 with such credit ratings;

The written contract shall require that should the 6810 (b) 6811 rating: (i) of the counterparty, if its payment obligations are not unconditionally guaranteed by another entity, or (ii) of the 6812 entity unconditionally guaranteeing its payment obligations, if so 6813 6814 secured, fall below the rating required by paragraph (a) of this section, that the obligations of such counterparty shall be fully 6815 6816 and continuously collateralized by direct obligations of, or obligations the principal and interest on which are guaranteed by 6817 the United States of America with a net market value of at least 6818 one hundred two percent (102%) of the net market value of the 6819 6820 contract of the authorized insurer and such collateral shall be 6821 deposited as agreed to by the commission;

(c) The counterparty has a net worth of at least One
Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00), or the counterparty's
obligations under the interest rate exchange or similar agreement
are guaranteed by a person or entity having a net worth of at
least One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00);

(d) The total notional amount of all interest rate
exchange or similar agreements for the state to be in effect shall
not exceed an amount equal to twenty percent (20%) of the total
amount of state-supported debt outstanding as of the initial date
of entering into each new agreement; however, such total notional
amount shall not include any excluded agreements;

(e) No interest rate exchange or similar agreement
shall have a maturity exceeding the maturity of the related
state-supported debt;

(f) Each interest rate exchange or similar agreement shall be subject to a finding by the commission that its terms and conditions reflect a fair market value of such agreement as of the date of its execution, regardless of whether such agreement was solicited on a competitive or negotiated basis with a competitive element; and

(g) Each interest rate exchange or similar agreement,
including the modification or termination thereof, shall be
subject to the approval of the commission or its designee.

5845 SECTION 58. (1) As of the initial date of each issuance of 5846 variable rate debt instruments, the total of the principal and 5847 notional amounts of such variable rate debt instruments 5848 outstanding and in effect shall not exceed an amount equal to 5849 twenty percent (20%) of the total principal amount of 5850 state-supported debt outstanding.

6851 (2) The limitation contained in subsection (2) of this6852 section shall not include any excluded agreements.

6853 **SECTION 59.** Nothing in Sections 52 through 63 of this act 6854 shall be construed as to apply to or limit any debt obligation or

6855 related instrument of the state or any other issuers except those 6856 obligations or instruments which are or relate to state-supported 6857 debt.

6858 **SECTION 60.** Sections 52 through 63 of this act shall be 6859 deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the 6860 powers herein granted, but Sections 52 through 63 of this act 6861 shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any 6862 existing law of this state.

6863 SECTION 61. All variable rate bonds issued under Sections 52 through 63 of this act shall be fully negotiable in accordance 6864 6865 with their terms and shall be "securities" within the meaning of Article 8 of the Uniform Commercial Code, subject to the 6866 6867 provisions of such bonds pertaining to registration. It shall not be necessary to file financing statements or continuation 6868 statements to protect the lien and pledge granted by a 6869 governmental unit to the holders of any variable rate bonds issued 6870 6871 under Sections 52 through 63 of this act.

6872 **SECTION 62.** All variable rate bonds issued under the 6873 provisions of Sections 52 through 63 of this act and income 6874 therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 6875 Mississippi.

6876 SECTION 63. If any one or more sections, clauses, sentences or parts of Sections 52 through 63 of this act shall for any 6877 6878 reason be questioned in any court and shall be adjudged 6879 unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining provisions of Sections 52 6880 6881 through 63 of this act, but shall be confined in its operations to 6882 the specific provisions so held invalid, and inapplicability or invalidity of any such section, clause, provision or part shall 6883 not be taken to affect or prejudice in any way the remaining part 6884 6885 or parts of Sections 52 through 63 of this act.

6886 **SECTION 64**. This act shall take effect and be in force from 6887 and after its passage.

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