Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 1615

TO THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE SENATE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

5	SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
6	necessary, is hereby authorized and approved for expenditure out
7	of any funds which are received by or otherwise become available
8	to the Pearl River Basin Development District, for the purpose of
9	defraying the expenses of the district for the fiscal year
10	beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2006
11	\$ 1,470,922.00.
12	SECTION 2. Of the funds approved for expenditure under the
13	provisions of Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below
14	shall be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of
15	expenditure:
16	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:
17	Personal Services:
18	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits \$ 506,765.00
19	Travel and Subsistence
20	Contractual Services
21	Commodities
22	Capital Outlay:
23	Other Than Equipment
24	Equipment
25	Subsidies, Loans and Grants 555,000.00
26	Total\$ 1,470,922.00
27	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:
28	Permanent: Full Time 11
29	Part Time 3
30	Time-Limited: Full Time 0
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31	Part Time 0
32	With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of
33	the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to
34	make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal
35	Services" for Fiscal Year 2007 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2006
36	funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions
37	are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2007 budget by the
38	Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the
39	Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall
40	determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all
41	appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this
42	act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure
43	that no single personnel action increases this projected annual
44	cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2006 appropriation for "Personal
45	Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.
46	If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal
47	Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency
48	has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this
49	projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2006 "Personal Services"
50	appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which
51	reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation
52	requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until
53	such time as the requirements of this provision are met.
54	Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
55	the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
56	allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
57	Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
58	approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The
59	Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
60	approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
61	without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the
62	appropriated level.
63	No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be
64	used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are

65 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this

66 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

67 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the

68 Pearl River Basin Development District shall maintain complete

69 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all

70 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be

71 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal

72 Year 2005. It is further the intention of the Legislature that

73 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2007 shall be

74 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format

75 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail

76 provided during the Fiscal Year 2006 budget request process.

77 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the

78 Director of the Pearl River Basin Development District shall be

79 authorized to escalate, budget and expend funds from any source,

not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00), for the

81 purpose of maintaining the Lower Pearl Restoration Project in

82 accordance with the Project Cooperation Agreement with the United

83 States Army Corps of Engineers and to maintain the South Jackson

84 Clearing Project in an area along the Pearl River in Hinds County

85 and Rankin County, in accordance with rules and regulations of the

86 Department of Finance and Administration in a manner consistent

87 with the escalation of federal funds.

88 **SECTION 5.** The funds herein approved for expenditure, except

and less an amount approved by the State Fiscal Officer which

90 shall be sufficient to cover disbursements for current operations,

91 shall be deposited at interest with any official depository of the

92 state at a rate of interest numerically not less than one percent

93 (1%) below the bank discount rate on United States Treasury bills

94 of comparable maturity as determined by the State Treasurer.

95 **SECTION 6.** The money herein approved for expenditure shall

96 be disbursed upon bank checks signed by the proper person, officer

97 or officers, in the manner provided by law or in accordance with

98 the provisions of a valid trust indenture.

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99 **SECTION 7.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 100 and after July 1, 2005.

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