

**Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 1592**

**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 Tombigbee River Valley Water Management District, for the  
9 purpose of paying bond maturities, accrued interest, maintenance  
10 expenses, project development costs, and any other authorized  
11 expenses of the water management district, for the fiscal year  
12 beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007.....  
13 ..... \$       3,982,762.00.

14       **SECTION 2.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of  
15 Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be  
16 expended for the respective major objects or purposes of  
17 expenditure:

18       **MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:**

19       Personal Services:

20           Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits..	\$	812,062.00
21           Travel and Subsistence.....		62,000.00
22           Contractual Services.....		480,000.00
23           Commodities.....		210,000.00
24       Capital Outlay:		
25           Other Than Equipment.....		1,788,000.00
26           Equipment.....		590,700.00
27           Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....		<u>40,000.00</u>
28           Total.....	\$	3,982,762.00

29       **AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:**

30       Permanent:       Full Time.....       18

31	Part Time.....	0
32	Time-Limited: Full Time.....	0
33	Part Time.....	0

34 Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation  
35 Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase  
36 equal to the realignment component of the Variable Compensation  
37 Plan or Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00), whichever is greater,  
38 beginning on July 1, 2006.

39 Pursuant to policies established by the State Personnel  
40 Board, agency heads may, on a case by case basis and within funds  
41 available, recommend equity salary adjustments to Fiscal Year 2006  
42 agency appropriation acts where application of limitations result  
43 in awarding one employee a salary increase greater than another  
44 employee within the same agency, with the same job classification  
45 series and greater longevity.

46 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of  
47 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to  
48 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal  
49 Services" for Fiscal Year 2008 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2007  
50 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions  
51 are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2008 budget by the  
52 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the  
53 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall  
54 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all  
55 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this  
56 act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure  
57 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual  
58 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2007 appropriation for "Personal  
59 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.  
60 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal  
61 Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency  
62 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this  
63 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2007 "Personal Services"  
64 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which  
65 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation

66 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until  
67 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

68 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with  
69 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or  
70 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State  
71 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written  
72 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The  
73 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written  
74 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions  
75 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the  
76 appropriated level.

77 No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be  
78 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are  
79 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this  
80 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

81 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
82 Tombigbee River Valley Water Management District shall maintain  
83 complete accounting and personnel records related to the  
84 expenditure of all funds appropriated under this act and that such  
85 records shall be in the same format and level of detail as  
86 maintained for Fiscal Year 2006. It is further the intention of  
87 the Legislature that the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year  
88 2008 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee  
89 in a format and level of detail comparable to the format and level  
90 of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2007 budget request  
91 process.

92 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that  
93 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the  
94 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things  
95 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,  
96 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind  
97 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to  
98 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are  
99 made without competitive bids.

100           **SECTION 5.** All monies in possession of the district in  
101 excess of necessary operating funds shall be deposited with a bank  
102 or banks selected by the board of directors of the district.  
103 These funds shall be deposited in such bank or banks and in such  
104 manner that interest earned shall be at least equal to interest  
105 earnings on state funds deposited by the State Treasury.

106           **SECTION 6.** The money herein approved for expenditure shall  
107 be disbursed upon bank checks signed by the proper person, officer  
108 or officers, in the manner provided by law.

109           **SECTION 7.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
110 and after July 1, 2006.

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