Adopted COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill No. 1586

BY: Committee

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, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007
11	\$ 2,123,256.00.
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 \$ 633,528.00
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\$ 2,123,256.00
27	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:
28	Permanent: Full Time
29	Part Time 3
30	Time-Limited: Full Time 0
31	Part Time 0
32	Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation
33	Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase
34	equal to the realignment component of the Variable Compensation
35	Plan or Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00), whichever is greater,
36	beginning on July 1, 2006.
37	Pursuant to policies established by the State Personnel
38	Board, agency heads may, on a case by case basis and within funds
39	available, recommend equity salary adjustments to Fiscal Year 2006
40	agency appropriation acts where application of limitations result
41	in awarding one employee a salary increase greater than another
42	employee within the same agency, with the same job classification
43	series and greater longevity.
44	With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of
45	the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to
46	make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal
47	Services" for Fiscal Year 2008 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2007
48	funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions
49	are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2008 budget by the
50	Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the
51	Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall
52	determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all
53	appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this
54	act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure
55	that no single personnel action increases this projected annual

- 56 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2007 appropriation for "Personal
- 57 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.
- 58 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal
- 59 Services, " the State Personnel Board determines that the agency
- 60 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this
- 61 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2007 "Personal Services"
- 62 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which
- 63 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation
- 64 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until
- 65 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.
- Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
- 67 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
- 68 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
- 69 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
- 70 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The
- 71 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
- 72 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
- 73 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the
- 74 appropriated level.
- 75 No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be
- 76 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are
- 77 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this
- 78 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.
- 79 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
- 80 Pearl River Basin Development District shall maintain complete
- 81 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all
- 82 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be
- 83 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal
- 84 Year 2006. It is further the intention of the Legislature that
- 85 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2008 shall be
- 86 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format

- 87 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail
- 88 provided during the Fiscal Year 2007 budget request process.
- 89 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
- 90 Director of the Pearl River Basin Development District shall be
- 91 authorized to escalate, budget and expend funds from any source,
- 92 not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00), for the
- 93 purpose of maintaining the Lower Pearl Restoration Project in
- 94 accordance with the Project Cooperation Agreement with the United
- 95 States Army Corps of Engineers and to maintain the South Jackson
- 96 Clearing Project in an area along the Pearl River in Hinds County
- 97 and Rankin County, in accordance with rules and regulations of the
- 98 Department of Finance and Administration in a manner consistent
- 99 with the escalation of federal funds.
- 100 **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
- 101 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
- 102 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
- 103 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
- 104 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
- 105 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
- 106 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
- 107 made without competitive bids.
- 108 **SECTION 6.** The funds herein approved for expenditure, except
- 109 and less an amount approved by the State Fiscal Officer which
- 110 shall be sufficient to cover disbursements for current operations,
- 111 shall be deposited at interest with any official depository of the
- 112 state at a rate of interest numerically not less than one percent
- 113 (1%) below the bank discount rate on United States Treasury bills
- 114 of comparable maturity as determined by the State Treasurer.
- 115 **SECTION 7.** The money herein approved for expenditure shall
- 116 be disbursed upon bank checks signed by the proper person, officer
- 117 or officers, in the manner provided by law or in accordance with
- 118 the provisions of a valid trust indenture.

119 **SECTION 8.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 120 and after July 1, 2006.