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To: Ways and Means

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 246

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION
2 BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR
3 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING AND COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES;
4 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** (1) As used in this section, the following words
7 shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly
8 requires otherwise:

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

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

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

18 (2) (a) (i) A special fund, to be designated as the "2007
19 IHL Capital Improvements Fund," is created within the State
20 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as
21 a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General
22 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at
23 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General
24 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in
25 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

26 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be
27 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and
28 Administration, with the approval of the Board of Trustees of

29 State Institutions of Higher Learning on those projects related to
 30 the universities under its management and control to pay the costs
 31 of capital improvements, renovation and/or repair of existing
 32 facilities, furnishings and/or equipping facilities for public
 33 facilities as hereinafter described:

34			AMOUNT
35	NAME	PROJECT	ALLOCATED
36	Alcorn State University.....		\$ 4,000,000.00
37		Repair and renovation of campus	
38		buildings and facilities, repair,	
39		renovation, replacement and	
40		improvement of campus	
41		infrastructure and purchase of	
42		furniture and equipment.....	\$ 4,000,000.00
43	Delta State University.....		\$ 12,700,000.00
44		Repair and renovation of campus	
45		buildings and facilities, repair,	
46		renovation, replacement and	
47		improvement of campus	
48		infrastructure and purchase of	
49		furniture and equipment.....	\$ 2,200,000.00
50		Phase I of repair, renovation,	
51		furnishing and equipping of	
52		Caylor-White Walters Hall.....	\$ 10,500,000.00
53	Jackson State University.....		\$ 10,000,000.00
54		Repair and renovation of campus	
55		buildings and facilities, repair,	
56		renovation, replacement and	
57		improvement of campus	
58		infrastructure and purchase of	
59		furniture and equipment necessary	
60		for compliance with the Americans	
61		with Disabilities Act.....	\$ 6,000,000.00

62 Land acquisition, site improvements,
 63 and repair and renovation of
 64 campus buildings and facilities,
 65 repair, renovation, replacement and
 66 improvement of campus
 67 infrastructure and purchase of
 68 furniture and equipment\$ 4,000,000.00
 69 Mississippi University for Women.....\$ 4,000,000.00
 70 Repair and renovation of campus
 71 buildings and facilities, repair,
 72 renovation, replacement and
 73 improvement of campus
 74 infrastructure and purchase of
 75 furniture and equipment.....\$ 4,000,000.00
 76 Mississippi State University.....\$ 15,100,000.00
 77 Phase III of repair, renovation,
 78 and furnishing and equipping
 79 of Harned Hall.....\$ 12,000,000.00
 80 Repair, renovation, furnishing
 81 and equipping of
 82 Middleton Hall.....\$ 3,100,000.00
 83 Mississippi State University/Division of Agriculture
 84 Forestry and Veterinary Medicine.....\$ 5,000,000.00
 85 Phase I of repair, renovation,
 86 furnishing and equipping of the
 87 Lloyd Ricks Building.....\$ 5,000,000.00
 88 Mississippi Valley State University.....\$ 8,000,000.00
 89 Repair, renovation, furnishing
 90 and equipping of the
 91 J. H. White Library.....\$ 8,000,000.00
 92 University of Mississippi.....\$ 14,000,000.00
 93 Repair, renovation, furnishing
 94 and equipping of

95 Guyton Hall.....\$ 4,000,000.00
 96 Matching funds for
 97 construction, furnishing
 98 and equipping of a new
 99 Law Center.....\$ 10,000,000.00
 100 University of Mississippi Medical Center.....\$ 10,300,000.00
 101 Repair and renovation of campus
 102 buildings and facilities, repair,
 103 renovation, replacement and
 104 improvement of campus
 105 infrastructure and purchase of
 106 furniture and equipment.....\$ 10,300,000.00
 107 University of Southern Mississippi.....\$ 9,000,000.00
 108 Land acquisition, site improvements,
 109 and repair and renovation of
 110 campus buildings and facilities,
 111 repair, renovation, replacement and
 112 improvement of campus
 113 infrastructure and purchase of
 114 furniture and equipment\$ 9,000,000.00
 115 University of Southern Mississippi/
 116 Gulf Coast Campuses.....\$ 5,000,000.00
 117 Facility repairs,
 118 replacements, renovations
 119 and upgrades at Gulf
 120 Coast Campuses.....\$ 5,000,000.00
 121 IHL Education and Research Center.....\$ 3,000,000.00
 122 Repair and renovation of campus
 123 buildings and facilities, repair,
 124 renovation, replacement and
 125 improvement of campus
 126 infrastructure and purchase of
 127 furniture and equipment.....\$ 3,000,000.00

128 Board of Trustees of State
 129 Institutions of Higher Learning.....\$ 24,900,000.00
 130 Repair, renovation, replacement,
 131 furnishing and equipping of
 132 buildings and facilities, including
 133 installation of fire protection
 134 systems and other safety
 135 related improvements.....\$ 24,900,000.00
 136 TOTAL \$125,000,000.00

137 (b) (i) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall
 138 be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in paragraph
 139 (a) of this subsection. If any monies in such special fund are
 140 not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the
 141 bonds authorized under this section are deposited into the special
 142 fund, then the institution of higher learning for which any unused
 143 monies are allocated under paragraph (a) of this subsection shall
 144 provide an accounting of such unused monies to the commission.
 145 Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly
 146 adopted, that the projects described in paragraph (a) of this
 147 subsection shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be
 148 completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such
 149 special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds
 150 issued under this section, in accordance with the proceedings
 151 authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the
 152 commission.

153 (ii) Monies in the special fund may be used to
 154 reimburse reasonable actual and necessary costs incurred by the
 155 Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the
 156 Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, in
 157 administering or providing assistance directly related to a
 158 project described in paragraph (a) of this subsection. An
 159 accounting of actual costs incurred for which reimbursement is
 160 sought shall be maintained for each project by the Department of

161 Finance and Administration, Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real
162 Property Management. Reimbursement of reasonable actual and
163 necessary costs for a project shall not exceed two percent (2%) of
164 the proceeds of bonds issued for such project. Monies authorized
165 for a particular project may not be used to reimburse
166 administrative costs for unrelated projects.

167 (c) The Department of Finance and Administration,
168 acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
169 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and
170 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the
171 expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The
172 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be
173 under the direction of the Department of Finance and
174 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State
175 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants
176 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director
177 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

178 (d) Any amounts allocated to an institution of higher
179 learning that are in excess of that needed to complete the
180 projects at such institution of higher learning that are described
181 in paragraph (a) of this subsection may be used for general
182 repairs and renovations at the institution of higher learning to
183 which such amount is allocated.

184 (3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time,
185 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general
186 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for
187 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in
188 this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the Department
189 of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the
190 issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds
191 authorized by this section, the Department of Finance and
192 Administration shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or
193 resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution,

194 the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent,
195 prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids,
196 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold and do any and
197 all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the
198 issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued
199 under this section shall not exceed One Hundred Twenty-five
200 Million Dollars (\$125,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under
201 this section after July 1, 2011.

202 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into
203 the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall
204 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in
205 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such
206 bonds.

207 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized
208 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this
209 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such
210 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates
211 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101,
212 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places
213 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature
214 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25)
215 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such
216 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall
217 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in
218 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the
219 commission.

220 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by
221 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and
222 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto,
223 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest
224 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by
225 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such
226 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign

227 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who
228 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery
229 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such
230 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds
231 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all
232 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially
233 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to
234 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may
235 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary,
236 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of
237 the State of Mississippi.

238 (6) All bonds and interest coupons issued under the
239 provisions of this section have all the qualities and incidents of
240 negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform
241 Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this
242 section, the commission shall not be required to and need not
243 comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

244 (7) The commission shall act as the issuing agent for the
245 bonds authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the
246 bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so
247 authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in such
248 issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and
249 advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds.
250 The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that
251 are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds
252 authorized under this section from the proceeds derived from the
253 sale of such bonds. The commission shall sell such bonds on
254 sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may determine
255 to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, but no
256 such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued
257 interest to the date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser.
258 All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable

259 semiannually or annually; however, the first interest payment may
260 be for any period of not more than one (1) year.

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

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

273 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section
274 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the
275 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of
276 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by
277 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the
278 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency
279 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State
280 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain
281 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of
282 this subsection.

283 (9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions
284 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any
285 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2)
286 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed
287 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and
288 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be
289 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the
290 bonds.

291 (10) The bonds authorized under this section may be issued
292 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other
293 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and
294 things which are specified or required by this section. Any
295 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the
296 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon
297 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be
298 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a
299 majority of its members.

300 (11) The bonds authorized under the authority of this
301 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First
302 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and
303 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31,
304 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal,
305 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required
306 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or
307 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

308 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this
309 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may,
310 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other
311 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under
312 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel
313 performance of all duties required by this section to be
314 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and
315 interest thereon.

316 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section
317 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and
318 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies
319 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such
320 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and
321 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state
322 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose
323 of securing the deposit of public funds.

324 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and
325 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of
326 Mississippi.

327 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section
328 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including
329 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

330 (16) The State Treasurer is authorized, without further
331 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and
332 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of
333 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue
334 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due
335 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the
336 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the
337 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the
338 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time
339 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates
340 thereof.

341 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete
342 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this
343 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of
344 any existing law of this state.

345 **SECTION 2.** (1) As used in this section, the following words
346 shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly
347 requires otherwise:

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

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

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

357 (2) (a) (i) A special fund, to be designated as the "2007
358 Community and Junior Colleges Capital Improvements Fund," is
359 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained
360 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate
361 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts
362 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse
363 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment
364 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

365 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed,
366 in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration,
367 as recommended by the State Board for Community and Junior
368 Colleges to pay the costs of acquisition of real property,
369 construction of new facilities, equipping and furnishing
370 facilities, including furniture and technology equipment and
371 infrastructure, and addition to or renovation of existing
372 facilities for community and junior college campuses.

373 (b) (i) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall
374 be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in paragraph
375 (a) of this subsection. If any monies in such special fund are
376 not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the
377 bonds authorized under this section are deposited into the special
378 fund, then the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges shall
379 provide an accounting of such unused monies to the commission.
380 Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly
381 adopted, that the projects described in paragraph (a) of this
382 subsection shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be
383 completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such
384 special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds
385 issued under this section, in accordance with the proceedings
386 authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the
387 commission.

388 (ii) Monies in the special fund may be used to
389 reimburse reasonable actual and necessary costs incurred by the

390 Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the
391 Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, in
392 administering or providing assistance directly related to a
393 project described in paragraph (a) of this subsection. An
394 accounting of actual costs incurred for which reimbursement is
395 sought shall be maintained for each project by the Department of
396 Finance and Administration, Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real
397 Property Management. Reimbursement of reasonable actual and
398 necessary costs for a project shall not exceed two percent (2%) of
399 the proceeds of bonds issued for such project. Monies authorized
400 for a particular project may not be used to reimburse
401 administrative costs for unrelated projects.

402 (c) The Department of Finance and Administration,
403 acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
404 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and
405 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the
406 expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The
407 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be
408 under the direction of the Department of Finance and
409 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State
410 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants
411 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director
412 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

413 (3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time,
414 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general
415 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for
416 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in
417 this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the State
418 Board for Community and Junior Colleges, declaring the necessity
419 for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation
420 bonds authorized by this section, the State Board for Community
421 and Junior Colleges shall deliver a certified copy of its
422 resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such

423 resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as the
424 issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, advertise for and
425 accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold and
426 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection
427 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of
428 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Seventy-five
429 Million Dollars (\$75,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under
430 this section after July 1, 2011.

431 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into
432 the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall
433 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in
434 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such
435 bonds.

436 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized
437 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this
438 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such
439 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates
440 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101,
441 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places
442 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature
443 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25)
444 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such
445 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall
446 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in
447 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the
448 commission.

449 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by
450 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and
451 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto,
452 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest
453 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by
454 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such
455 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign

456 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who
457 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery
458 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such
459 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds
460 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all
461 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially
462 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to
463 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may
464 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary,
465 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of
466 the State of Mississippi.

467 (6) All bonds and interest coupons issued under the
468 provisions of this section have all the qualities and incidents of
469 negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform
470 Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this
471 section, the commission shall not be required to and need not
472 comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

473 (7) The commission shall act as the issuing agent for the
474 bonds authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the
475 bonds, advertise for and accept bids, issue and sell the bonds so
476 authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in such
477 issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and
478 advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds.
479 The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that
480 are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds
481 authorized under this section from the proceeds derived from the
482 sale of such bonds. The commission shall sell such bonds on
483 sealed bids at public sale, and for such price as it may determine
484 to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi, but no
485 such sale shall be made at a price less than par plus accrued
486 interest to the date of delivery of the bonds to the purchaser.
487 All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable

488 semiannually or annually; however, the first interest payment may
489 be for any period of not more than one (1) year.

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

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

502 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section
503 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the
504 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of
505 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by
506 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the
507 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency
508 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State
509 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain
510 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of
511 this subsection.

512 (9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions
513 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any
514 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2)
515 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed
516 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and
517 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be
518 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the
519 bonds.

520 (10) The bonds authorized under this section may be issued
521 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other
522 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and
523 things which are specified or required by this section. Any
524 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the
525 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon
526 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be
527 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a
528 majority of its members.

529 (11) The bonds authorized under the authority of this
530 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First
531 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and
532 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31,
533 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal,
534 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required
535 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or
536 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

537 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this
538 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may,
539 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other
540 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under
541 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel
542 performance of all duties required by this section to be
543 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and
544 interest thereon.

545 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section
546 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and
547 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies
548 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such
549 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and
550 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state
551 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose
552 of securing the deposit of public funds.

553 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and
554 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of
555 Mississippi.

556 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section
557 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including
558 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

559 (16) The State Treasurer is authorized, without further
560 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and
561 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of
562 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue
563 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due
564 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the
565 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the
566 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the
567 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time
568 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates
569 thereof.

570 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete
571 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this
572 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of
573 any existing law of this state.

574 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
575 and after its passage.