MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representatives Read, Martinson, Broomfield, Brown, Davis, Denny, Huddleston, Middleton, Miles, Weathersby To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1661

1 AN ACT APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE PEARL RIVER VALLEY WATER 2 3 SUPPLY DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2008. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be 5 necessary, is hereby authorized and approved for expenditure out 6 7 of any funds which are received by or otherwise become available to the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District, for the purpose 8 of defraying the expenses of the district for the fiscal year 9 beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008..... 10 11 15,531,239.00. SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of 12 13 Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of 14 15 expenditure: MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE: 16 Personal Services: 17 18 Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. \$ 5,078,169.00 Travel and Subsistence..... 60,000.00 19 Contractual Services..... 20 3,022,570.00 849,500.00 21 Commodities..... Capital Outlay: 2.2 Other Than Equipment..... 5,156,000.00 23 24 Equipment..... 345,000.00 25 Vehicles..... 150,000.00 Wireless Communication Devices..... 0.00 26 Subsidies, Loans and Grants..... 27 870,000.00

31		Part Time	8
32	Time-Limited:	Full Time	1
33		Part Time	0

Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase equal to the realignment component of the Variable Compensation Plan or One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), whichever is greater.

With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of 39 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to 40 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal 41 Services" for Fiscal Year 2009 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2008 42 43 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions 44 are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2009 budget by the 45 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall 46 47 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this 48 49 act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure 50 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2008 appropriation for "Personal 51 52 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds. 53 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal 54 Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this 55 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2008 "Personal Services" 56 57 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation 58 59 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until 60 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

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Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with 61 62 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or 63 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State 64 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written 65 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written 66 67 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions 68 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the 69 appropriated level.

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

With the funds herein appropriated, funds are included and authorized in the Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits major object of expenditure to pay "call back pay" in lieu of "compensatory time credit," at the discretion of the Director of the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District, to any employee who must work on a statutory holiday or any holiday proclaimed by the Governor.

80 SECTION 3. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 81 Pearl River Valley Water Supply District shall maintain complete 82 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all 83 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal 84 85 Year 2007. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2009 shall be 86 87 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail 88 provided during the Fiscal Year 2008 budget request process. 89

90 SECTION 4. It is the intention of the Legislature that 91 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the 92 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things 93 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, H. B. No. 1661 * HR05/A490*

H. B. No. 1661 07/HR05/A490 PAGE 3 (RM\ST) 94 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind 95 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to 96 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are 97 made without competitive bids.

98 SECTION 5. The funds herein approved for expenditure, except 99 and less an amount approved by the State Fiscal Officer which 100 shall be sufficient to cover disbursements for current operations, 101 shall be deposited at interest with any official depository of the 102 state at a rate of interest numerically not less than one percent 103 (1%) below the bank discount rate on United States Treasury bills 104 of comparable maturity as determined by the State Treasurer.

105 **SECTION 6.** The Pearl River Valley Water Supply District is 106 authorized to expend any federal or state funds to repair damage 107 caused by Hurricane Katrina on the shoreline located between the 108 Bob Anthony Parkway and the causeway on either public or private 109 property.

110 **SECTION 7.** The money herein approved for expenditure shall 111 be disbursed upon bank checks signed by the proper person, officer 112 or officers, in the manner provided by law or in accordance with 113 the provisions of a valid trust indenture.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2007.