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To: Energy

HOUSE BILL NO. 1296

1 AN ACT TO CREATE THE "MISSISSIPPI ENERGY SUSTAINABILITY AND
2 DEVELOPMENT ACT"; TO AMEND SECTION 57-39-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
3 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT WHEREVER THE WORD "DIVISION" APPEARS IN THE
4 CHAPTER OF LAW WHICH PROVIDES FOR ENERGY PLANNING, IT SHALL MEAN
5 THE MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES
6 DIVISION; TO AMEND SECTION 57-39-9, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
7 REVISE THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DIVISION; TO AMEND SECTION
8 57-39-11, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE CONTENTS OF THE
9 MISSISSIPPI ENERGY PLAN; TO AMEND SECTION 57-39-19, MISSISSIPPI
10 CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION TO COORDINATE THE
11 DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A STATE ENERGY MANAGEMENT PLAN
12 FOR STATE-OWNED AND OPERATED FACILITIES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
13 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO AMEND SECTION
14 57-39-39, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT MISSISSIPPI
15 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY SHALL PROMULGATE RULES FOR LOAN ELIGIBILITY
16 AND WILL ADMINISTER THE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT FUND; TO AMEND SECTION
17 57-39-112, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE DIVISION'S
18 DUTIES IN ASSISTING THE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN REDUCING ENERGY
19 CONSUMPTION; TO CREATE A NEW SECTION TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION TO BE
20 RESPONSIBLE FOR COMPILING DATA RELATED TO THE ENERGY RESOURCES,
21 BOTH NATURAL AND MANMADE, OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; TO REPEAL
22 SECTION 57-39-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH PROVIDES FOR THE
23 SUBMISSION OF THE MISSISSIPPI ENERGY PLAN TO THE LEGISLATURE; TO
24 REPEAL SECTION 57-39-17, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH PROVIDES
25 ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD OF ENERGY AND
26 TRANSPORTATION; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-39-23, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
27 1972, WHICH PROVIDES FOR LIMITATIONS ON DISCLOSURE OF PROPRIETY
28 INFORMATION; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-39-25, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
29 WHICH PROVIDES CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR THE FAILURE TO SUBMIT
30 CERTAIN INFORMATION; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-39-27, MISSISSIPPI CODE
31 OF 1972, WHICH REQUIRES THE BOARD OF ENERGY AND TRANSPORTATION TO
32 PRESCRIBE POLICIES AS TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND ALLOCATION OF
33 PETROLEUM PRODUCTS; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-39-29, MISSISSIPPI CODE
34 OF 1972, WHICH DESIGNATES THE BOARD AS THE STATE OFFICE OF



35 PETROLEUM ALLOCATION; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-39-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE
36 OF 1972, WHICH REQUIRES THE BOARD OF ENERGY AND TRANSPORTATION TO
37 ADMINISTER THE STATE SET-ASIDE PROGRAM; TO REPEAL SECTION
38 57-39-33, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH PROVIDES THE BOARD WITH
39 SOLE AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH PRIORITIES AMONG USERS AND CONSUMERS
40 OF ALLOCATED PRODUCTS; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-39-35, MISSISSIPPI
41 CODE OF 1972, WHICH PROHIBITS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PRIORITIES BY
42 LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR SUPPLIER WITHOUT BOARD APPROVAL; TO REPEAL
43 SECTION 57-39-41, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH REQUIRES THE
44 BOARD TO PREPARE A PLAN FOR ESTABLISHING A CENTRAL MOTOR POOL; TO
45 REPEAL SECTION 57-39-105, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH REQUIRES
46 THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO DEVELOP
47 AND IMPLEMENT A GENERAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT PLAN; TO REPEAL SECTION
48 57-39-107, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH REQUIRES THE DEPARTMENT
49 OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO SUBMIT DATA REGARDING ENERGY
50 CONSUMPTION; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-39-111, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
51 1972, WHICH REQUIRES STATE AGENCIES TO SUBMIT ENERGY MANAGEMENT
52 PLANS; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-39-113, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
53 WHICH ALLOWS FOR A SMALLER PERCENTAGE REDUCTION GOAL FOR
54 QUALIFYING AGENCIES; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-39-115, MISSISSIPPI CODE
55 OF 1972, WHICH REQUIRES AN ANNUAL REPORT ON ENERGY REDUCTION
56 PROGRAMS; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-39-201, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
57 WHICH AUTHORIZES LOANS FOR SCHOOL ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAMS; TO
58 REPEAL SECTION 57-39-203, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH
59 DESCRIBES THE PROCESS FOR APPROVAL OF LOANS AND REPAYMENT; TO
60 REPEAL SECTION 57-39-205, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH ALLOWS
61 FOR THE FORFEITURE OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION IN THE CASE OF A LOAN
62 DEFAULT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

64 **SECTION 1.** This act shall be known and may be cited as
65 the "Mississippi Energy Sustainability and Development Act."

66 **SECTION 2.** Section 57-39-1, Mississippi Code of 1972,
67 is amended as follows:

68 57-39-1. (1) The purpose of this chapter is to coordinate
69 all energy-related needs and activities in Mississippi with the
70 objective of providing an efficient and economical energy system
71 through a statewide plan. To that end, the * * *~~Department of~~
72 ~~Economic and Community Development~~ Mississippi Development



73 Authority is directed to evaluate this state's energy needs and
74 availability.

75 (2) The powers, duties and responsibilities of the Board of
76 Energy and Transportation with respect to the state's energy needs
77 and activities are transferred to the * * *~~Department of Economic~~
78 ~~and Community Development~~ Mississippi Development Authority, and
79 wherever the word "board" appears in this chapter meaning the
80 former Board of Energy and Transportation it shall mean
81 the * * *~~Department of Economic and Community Development~~
82 Mississippi Development Authority. Whenever the word "division"
83 appears in this chapter, it shall mean the Mississippi Development
84 Authority Energy and Natural Resources Division.

85 **SECTION 3.** Section 57-39-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
86 amended as follows:

87 57-39-9. The powers and duties of the * * *~~board~~ division
88 shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

89 (a) To promote Mississippi as a leader in energy
90 development, job creation and research.

91 (b) To contribute to economic development activities
92 related to the energy production and manufacturing sectors.

93 (c) To promote energy efficiency across state
94 government and within the private sector and other sectors, so
95 that the state can realize the monetary and environmental benefits
96 of energy efficiency.



97 (* * *ad) To prepare, when necessary, a Mississippi Energy
98 Plan and a State Energy Management Plan as hereinafter set forth.

99 (e) To develop policies and long-term strategic plans
100 for the State of Mississippi to accomplish the duties hereinafter
101 set forth.

102 (f) To collect, maintain and provide analysis of data
103 related to energy consumption, production and natural resources
104 pertinent to the development of more energy opportunities within
105 the state.

106 (g) To promote the development, manufacturing and use
107 of renewable technologies, processes and products in the state.

108 (h) To serve as the State Energy Office for the State
109 of Mississippi and fulfill requirements of the State Energy Office
110 as mandated by the federal government or the Governor.

111 (* * *bi) To prepare implementation programs in
112 accordance with the requirements of the plan.

113 (* * *ej) Upon request, to accept, receive and receipt
114 for federal monies and other monies, either public or private, for
115 and in behalf of this state. Upon request of any political
116 subdivision of the state, to accept, receive and receipt for any
117 designated purpose, federal monies and other monies, either public
118 or private, for and in behalf of any such political subdivision.

119 (* * *ek) To confer with or to hold joint hearings
120 with any agency of the United States in connection with any matter



121 arising under this chapter, or relating to the sound development
122 of energy utilization.

123 ~~* * *(e) To avail itself of the cooperation, services, records
124 and facilities of agencies of the United States as fully as may be
125 practicable in the administration and enforcement of this chapter.~~

126 ~~————— (f) To furnish to the agencies of the United States its
127 cooperation, services, records and facilities, insofar as may be
128 practicable, and when such action is not in conflict with the laws
129 of the State of Mississippi.~~

130 ~~————— (g) To avail itself of the cooperation, services,
131 records and facilities of other agencies of the state, and such
132 agencies are authorized and directed to cooperate and make
133 available their facilities and services, insofar as may be
134 practicable.~~

135 (* * *h1) To perform such acts, make, promulgate and
136 amend such reasonable general or special rules, regulations and
137 procedures as it shall deem necessary to carry out the provisions
138 of this chapter and to perform its duties hereunder. No rules,
139 regulations or procedures prescribed by the board shall be
140 inconsistent with, or contrary to, any acts of the Congress of the
141 United States or any regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, or
142 to this chapter or any other statutes of the State of Mississippi.

143 (* * *im) To enter into contracts, grants and
144 cooperative agreements with any federal or state agency,
145 department or subdivision thereof, or any public or private



146 institution located inside or outside the State of Mississippi, or
147 any person, corporation or association in connection with carrying
148 out the provisions of this chapter, provided the agreements do not
149 have a financial cost in excess of the amounts appropriated for
150 such purposes by the Legislature.

151 (n) As required by the federal government or as
152 directed by the Governor of the State of Mississippi, to establish
153 a state program to administer the State Petroleum Set-Aside
154 Program and to provide assistance in obtaining adjustments
155 specified in orders issued by the Federal Energy Office.

156 **SECTION 4.** Section 57-39-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
157 amended as follows:

158 57-39-11. (1) The ~~* * *Mississippi Energy Plan division~~
159 shall be tasked with developing, implementing and refining over
160 time the Mississippi Energy Plan. The Mississippi Energy Plan
161 shall include, but not be limited to the following: * * *directed
162 at the achievement of a coordinated and balanced energy program
163 for the state.

164 ~~* * *(2) The plan shall be used by all state agencies and~~
165 ~~offices to guide and coordinate energy activities.~~

166 ~~— (3) The energy plan shall include, but not be limited to,~~
167 ~~the following:~~

168 (a) ~~* * *(a) Statewide energy goals, objectives and~~
169 ~~policies for all forms of energy needs and availability, both~~



170 ~~public and private;~~ Efforts to promote Mississippi as a leader in
171 energy development, job creation and research;

172 (b) * * * ~~Statewide forecasts of energy needs and~~
173 ~~deficiencies;~~ Plans to encourage the safe and responsible
174 exploration and extraction of the state's natural resources;

175 (c) * * * ~~Guidelines based upon priorities, economics~~
176 ~~and such other factors as shall be reasonable and proper in~~
177 ~~meeting the state's energy needs;~~ Plans to add value and sustain
178 resources through advances in manufacturing, conversion, and
179 processing related to energy consumption and generation;

180 (d) Expanding energy capacity and realizing savings
181 through energy efficiency;

182 (e) Encourage investments in the energy infrastructure
183 of transmission and distribution to maintain the state's
184 leadership in this area;

185 (f) Plans to ensure the state competes in
186 technology-based energy economic development, research and
187 development, and commercialization;

188 (g) Prepare a twenty-first century energy workforce;

189 (h) Statewide forecasts of energy needs and
190 deficiencies;

191 (* * * ~~di~~) A program for directing the expenditure of
192 local, state and federal energy funds in conformity with the
193 statewide plan;



194 (* * *ej) Statewide implementation program, including
195 a schedule of improvement programs, an operations program, a
196 financial plan, necessary policies and legislation for
197 implementation of the energy plan * * *; and

198 (* * *fk) Financial impact statement.

199 * * *(4) ~~The plan shall be based on studies, including, but not~~
200 ~~limited to, the following energy planning practices:~~

201 ~~—————(a) Inventories of energy facilities and equipment;~~

202 ~~—————(b) State and federal statutory requirements affecting~~
203 ~~energy services;~~

204 ~~—————(c) Financial resources for energy planning,~~
205 ~~development and operation;~~

206 ~~—————(d) Plans and programs adopted by state agencies, which~~
207 ~~affect energy planning;~~

208 ~~—————(e) Advanced concepts for energy systems for~~
209 ~~consideration in alternative plans;~~

210 ~~—————(f) Alternative plans based on varying assumptions of~~
211 ~~financial resources and levels of energy services;~~

212 ~~—————(g) An evaluation of alternative plans considering the~~
213 ~~relationships between energy taxation, environment, economics and~~
214 ~~social factors, policies and goals, including the relationship of~~
215 ~~costs among classes of users;~~

216 ~~—————(h) An analysis of studies, reports, plans and~~
217 ~~recommendations made by the model agencies in the area of energy~~
218 ~~with an assessment of their application to the plan;~~



219 ~~————— (i) A review and critique of existing policies for~~
220 ~~expenditure of local, state and federal energy funds; and~~

221 ~~————— (j) A review and analysis of the existing tax~~
222 ~~exemptions, credits and incentives for energy use and a~~
223 ~~recommendation for addition or deletion of energy-related tax~~
224 ~~exemptions, credits and incentives.~~

225 ~~————— (5) In evaluating alternative plans, the following criteria~~
226 ~~shall be among those used:~~

227 ~~————— (a) Economic, including operating costs, capital costs,~~
228 ~~revenues, impact on local economy and employment, and related~~
229 ~~public service costs;~~

230 ~~————— (b) Taxation, including tax base and equity; and~~

231 ~~————— (c) Environmental.~~

232 **SECTION 5.** Section 57-39-19, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
233 amended as follows:

234 57-39-19. * * *~~The board, in consultation with the division~~
235 ~~of purchase supervision and other appropriate offices and agencies~~
236 ~~of state government, appropriate professional groups and~~
237 ~~organizations, and others knowledgeable in the subject, shall~~
238 ~~promulgate rules and procedures for energy efficiency in the~~
239 ~~procurement of energy consuming commodities with public funds.~~

240 ~~Such rules and procedures shall include: (1) To ensure that~~
241 ~~state-owned facilities be operated in an energy-efficient manner~~
242 ~~to reduce operating costs to the General Fund and demonstrate~~
243 ~~successful energy consumption reduction strategies to other~~



244 sectors of the state economy, the division shall coordinate the
245 development and implementation of a general energy management plan
246 for state-owned and operated facilities in conjunction with the
247 Department of Finance and Administration, Bureau of Building,
248 Grounds and Real Property Management. The general energy
249 management plan shall include, but not be limited to, the
250 following elements:

251 (a) * * * ~~Provisions for adopting life cycle costs as a~~
252 ~~consideration in determining the lowest and best bid on purchase~~
253 ~~of commodities;~~ Gathering of energy-related data from state
254 agencies, state institutions of higher learning, and community and
255 junior colleges in a form and manner as required by the division;

256 (b) * * * ~~Provisions for distribution of life cycle~~
257 ~~costs data and formulas to agencies and political subdivisions~~
258 Benchmarking of energy consumption and costs;

259 (c) * * * ~~Provisions for reporting of energy savings~~
260 ~~resulting from energy efficient purchases;~~ Use of a central system
261 to aggregate and track energy consumption data for all state-owned
262 facilities;

263 (d) * * * ~~Provisions for adopting computer-based energy~~
264 ~~management systems in the construction of or renovation of public~~
265 ~~buildings; and~~ Model buildings and facilities energy audit
266 procedures;

267 (e) * * * ~~Provisions for energy-saving preventive~~
268 ~~maintenance systems and procedures for public buildings and~~



269 ~~personal property owned by public agencies. Model energy~~
270 ~~consumption reduction techniques;~~

271 (f) ~~* * * Provisions for monitoring energy use in all~~
272 ~~state buildings and the adoption of regulations for energy~~
273 ~~savings. Uniform data analysis procedures;~~

274 (g) Model employee energy education program procedures;

275 (h) Model training program for agency and institution
276 personnel and energy coordinators;

277 (i) Model guidelines for buildings and facilities
278 managers;

279 (j) Program monitoring and evaluation procedures.

280 (2) The State Energy Management Plan shall also include a
281 description of actions to reduce consumption of electricity and
282 nonrenewable energy sources used for heating, cooling,
283 ventilation, lighting and water heating. A designee of each of
284 the following entities - the Board of Trustees of State
285 Institutions of Higher Learning, the Community College Board, the
286 Department of Education, and the Department of Finance and
287 Administration shall assist in the preparation of the State Energy
288 Management Plan and serve together on an advisory board; the
289 director of the division shall serve as the head of this board and
290 shall convene representatives of these institutions no fewer than
291 once each year in order to review implementation of the State
292 Energy Management Plan.



293 (3) The State Energy Management Plan shall be developed and
294 implemented with input and assistance from the Department of
295 Finance and Administration, Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real
296 Property Management, and the two (2) state agencies shall work
297 together and pledge to use pertinent resources and programs in
298 conjunction with one another to accomplish the goals described in
299 this section.

300 (4) The Department of Finance and Administration, Bureau of
301 Building, Grounds and Real Property Management shall transmit to
302 the division an updated state building inventory on an annual
303 basis.

304 (5) All state agencies having buildings on the inventory of
305 buildings submitted to the Department of Finance and
306 Administration as well as all institutions of higher learning and
307 community and junior colleges (hereafter referred to as "covered
308 entities"), shall submit energy consumption in a form and manner
309 prescribed by the division.

310 (6) Energy-related data may include, but shall not be
311 limited to, the following:

312 (a) Electrical consumption data;

313 (b) Natural gas consumption; and

314 (c) Fuel oil consumption.

315 Any covered entity that does not enter its energy data in the
316 form and manner prescribed by the division shall, at the
317 discretion of the division, not be eligible to receive energy



318 conservation funds from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real
319 Property Management or be eligible to receive any state, federal
320 or other funds from the division. The Mississippi Development
321 Authority, in coordination with the Bureau of Building, Grounds
322 and Real Property Management, shall promulgate rules pertaining to
323 this section.

324 (7) By September 1 of each year, the division shall provide
325 to the Legislature and the Governor a report on the energy
326 consumption of covered entities. This report shall include, but
327 shall not be limited to, total energy consumption for the state,
328 total costs related to the energy metrics being tracked, increases
329 or decreases from year-to-year by the state and by each covered
330 entity, and forecast models for the coming fiscal year. The
331 Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management shall
332 provide assistance in the development of this report, as needed.
333 The division will also provide a list of covered entities that
334 have not reported data in accordance with this section.

335 (8) By November 1, 2014, and each subsequent five-year
336 interval, each covered entity must submit a detailed energy
337 management plan to the division. The detailed energy management
338 plan shall describe specific measures to be taken to reduce the
339 agency's energy consumption by energy unit measure over a
340 five-year period. The plan shall also include a timetable to
341 accomplish the agency's reduction goals. If the detailed energy
342 management plan meets the criteria developed by the division, the



343 division shall approve the plan. If the detailed energy
344 management plan fails to meet the criteria, the division shall
345 disapprove the detailed energy management plan and notify the
346 submitting agency in writing, including the reasons for
347 disapproval. Covered entities that do not submit an energy
348 management plan by the deadline or fail to remedy changes
349 subsequently required by the division shall, at the discretion of
350 the division, not be eligible to receive energy conservation funds
351 from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management
352 or be eligible to receive capital improvement funds from the
353 Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management or be
354 eligible to receive any state, federal or other funds from the
355 division until such time as the entity has an energy management
356 plan approved by the division.

357 **SECTION 6.** Section 57-39-39, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
358 amended as follows:

359 57-39-39. (1) There is hereby created in the State Treasury
360 a fund to be known as the Energy Development Fund. Monies in such
361 fund are reserved exclusively for:

362 (a) Promoting the * * *~~development and demonstration of~~
363 ~~efficient, environmentally acceptable and commercially feasible~~
364 ~~technologies, techniques and processes in the development of~~
365 Mississippi's energy resources.



366 (b) Developing projects under this section which will
367 demonstrate a realistic promise of making a significant energy
368 contribution to the State of Mississippi.

369 (c) Effectively utilizing the state's existing
370 alternative and conventional energy resources to foster economic
371 and social improvements in the state.

372 (2) The ~~***Department of Economic and Community~~
373 ~~Development Mississippi Development Authority~~ division will
374 administer the fund. The ~~***department~~ division will establish
375 policy and guidelines for use of the fund not later than one
376 hundred twenty (120) days after July 1, ~~***1983~~ 2013. ~~***The~~
377 ~~department will take advantage of expertise and capabilities~~
378 ~~existing within the state and will consider the research needs of~~
379 ~~other state institutions such as the University Research Center,~~
380 ~~Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Mississippi~~
381 ~~Mineral Resources Institute, Mississippi Energy Research Center,~~
382 ~~state institutions of higher learning and others in establishing~~
383 ~~energy development programs.~~

384 (~~***43~~) ~~***The fund will be used to finance~~
385 ~~contractual obligations incurred in research, development,~~
386 ~~demonstration activities and grant awards. Money from the fund~~
387 ~~may be used in matching state, federal or private funding sources,~~
388 ~~and the department is authorized to accept contributions for the~~
389 ~~fund from any public or private source.~~ The department will submit



390 to the Governor on or before December 31 of each year a
391 comprehensive report on the operation of the fund.

392 * * *(5) ~~For the purposes of this section, "energy resources"~~
393 ~~means alternative energy resources (such as biomass, solar,~~
394 ~~geothermal and wind) and conventional energy resources (such as~~
395 ~~lignite, oil and natural gas).~~

396 **SECTION 7.** Section 57-39-112, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
397 amended as follows:

398 57-39-112. The division shall * * * ~~cooperate with all~~
399 ~~public school districts of the state which request its assistance~~
400 ~~and cooperation~~ provide technical assistance to the Mississippi
401 Department of Education so that the department can assist local
402 school districts in developing a detailed energy management plan
403 for that public school district. The purposes of the plan shall
404 be to assist the public school district in * * * ~~reaching a goal~~
405 ~~of~~ reducing consumption of energy in its buildings and
406 facilities * * * ~~by energy unit measure in fiscal year 2003 by a~~
407 ~~minimum of fifteen percent (15%) as compared with fiscal year 2001~~
408 and to maintain or reduce that level of energy consumption,
409 subject to any allowances for building and facilities
410 modernization, remodeling or upgrading for educational purposes,
411 and for increased or decreased enrollment.

412 **SECTION 8.** (1) The division shall be responsible for
413 compiling an ongoing basis data related to the energy resources,
414 both natural and manmade, of the State of Mississippi. This



415 information shall be compiled from trusted and verified sources
416 for the purposes of aggregation for analysis and dissemination to
417 partners and the public with the intent to maximize the energy
418 resources of the state.

419 (2) **Biomass resources.** The division shall be responsible
420 for maintaining a current database and map of biomass feedstocks
421 found in the State of Mississippi. The division shall work with
422 the Mississippi Forestry Commission, the Department of
423 Agriculture, the institutions of higher learning, and other
424 knowledgeable partners to produce and maintain accurate data on
425 the renewable biomass resources of the state. The division shall
426 analyze the data and prepare reports on a regular basis in order
427 to highlight and promote the biomass resources of the state.

428 (3) **Energy infrastructure.** The division shall be
429 responsible for maintaining a current database and map of the
430 infrastructure that transports energy fuels and products across
431 the state. The division shall analyze the data and prepare
432 reports on a regular basis in order to highlight and promote the
433 energy infrastructure of the state.

434 (4) **Energy production and reserves.** The division shall be
435 responsible for maintaining information from all readily available
436 resources on the energy production capacity in the state. The
437 division shall maintain information on the energy reserves of the
438 state.



439 (5) **Reports and publications.** The division shall produce
440 reports, white papers, or articles for placement in targeted
441 publications that include information to promote Mississippi as a
442 leader in the energy sector.

443 **SECTION 9.** Section 57-39-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, which
444 provides for the submission of the Mississippi Energy Plan to the
445 Legislature, is hereby repealed.

446 **SECTION 10.** Section 57-39-17, Mississippi Code of 1972,
447 which provides additional programs and activities of the Board of
448 Energy and Transportation, is hereby repealed.

449 **SECTION 11.** Section 57-39-23, Mississippi Code of 1972,
450 which provides for limitations on disclosure of proprietary
451 information, is hereby repealed.

452 **SECTION 12.** Section 57-39-25, Mississippi Code of 1972,
453 which provides criminal penalties for the failure to submit
454 certain information, is hereby repealed.

455 **SECTION 13.** Section 57-39-27, Mississippi Code of 1972,
456 which requires the Board of Energy and Transportation to prescribe
457 policies as to energy efficiency and allocation of petroleum
458 products, is hereby repealed.

459 **SECTION 14.** Section 57-39-29, Mississippi Code of 1972,
460 which designates the board as the State Office of Petroleum
461 Allocation, is hereby repealed.



462 **SECTION 15.** Section 57-39-31, Mississippi Code of 1972,
463 which requires the Board of Energy and Transportation to
464 administer the state set-aside program, is hereby repealed.

465 **SECTION 16.** Section 57-39-33, Mississippi Code of 1972,
466 which provides the board with sole authority to establish
467 priorities among users and consumers of allocated products, is
468 hereby repealed.

469 **SECTION 17.** Section 57-39-35, Mississippi Code of 1972,
470 which prohibits the establishment of priorities by local
471 government or supplier without board approval, is hereby repealed.

472 **SECTION 18.** Section 57-39-41, Mississippi Code of 1972,
473 which requires the board to prepare a plan for establishing
474 central motor pool, is hereby repealed.

475 **SECTION 19.** Section 57-39-105, Mississippi Code of 1972,
476 which requires the Department of Economic and Community
477 Development to develop and implement a general energy management
478 plan, is hereby repealed.

479 **SECTION 20.** Section 57-39-107, Mississippi Code of 1972,
480 which requires the Department of Finance and Administration to
481 submit data regarding energy consumption, is hereby repealed.

482 **SECTION 21.** Section 57-39-111, Mississippi Code of 1972,
483 which requires state agencies to submit energy management plans,
484 is hereby repealed.



485 **SECTION 22.** Section 57-39-113, Mississippi Code of 1972,
486 which allows for a smaller percentage reduction goal for
487 qualifying agencies, is hereby repealed.

488 **SECTION 23.** Section 57-39-115, Mississippi Code of 1972,
489 which requires an annual report on energy reduction programs, is
490 hereby repealed.

491 **SECTION 24.** Section 57-39-201, Mississippi Code of 1972,
492 which authorizes loans for school energy conservation programs, is
493 hereby repealed.

494 **SECTION 25.** Section 57-39-203, Mississippi Code of 1972,
495 which describes the process for approval of loans and repayment,
496 is hereby repealed.

497 **SECTION 26.** Section 57-39-205, Mississippi Code of 1972,
498 which allows for the forfeiture of homestead exemption in the case
499 of a loan default, is hereby repealed.

500 **SECTION 27.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
501 and after July 1, 2013.

