MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representatives Denny, Dixon, Anthony, To: Ways and Means Hines, Paden

HOUSE BILL NO. 728 (As Passed the House)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 29-5-215, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 2 TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF SHORT-TERM DEBT THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF 3 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION MAY INCUR TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER 4 THE PROJECTS IN THE CAPITOL COMPLEX IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT SECURED 5 BY THE PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE SPECIAL SALES TAX ALLOCATED 6 TO THE CAPITOL COMPLEX IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FUND; AND FOR RELATED 7 PURPOSES.

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

9 SECTION 1. Section 29-5-215, Mississippi Code of 1972, is

10 amended as follows:

11 29-5-215. (1) There is created in the State Treasury the 12 Capitol Complex Improvement District Project Fund, into which 13 shall be deposited the money specified in Section 27-65-75(1)(c)14 and such other money from whatever source derived. 15 (2) An amount not to exceed five percent (5%) of the amount 16 deposited into the fund may be utilized to reimburse the

17 Department of Finance and Administration for the cost of providing

18 necessary personnel, services or other expenses it incurs in

performing its duties under Sections 29-5-201 through 29-5-217. 19

(3) An amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the amount deposited into the fund may be utilized, in the discretion of the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, to compensate the City of Jackson for general police and fire protection provided by the city in the Capitol Complex Improvement District created in Section 29-5-203 and for police coverage for major events conducted within such district.

27 An amount of not less than eighty-five percent (85%) of (4) 28 the amount deposited into the fund, which shall be designated as 29 "improvement project funds," shall be utilized within the district 30 for improvement projects in accordance with the comprehensive plan described in Section 29-5-209. In addition to fully funding 31 32 improvement projects, money in the fund may be utilized to fund a portion of an improvement project in cases in which other funds 33 are available for a project and may be used as leverage or 34 35 matching funds for projects in the district that comport with the 36 district's comprehensive plan.

(5) Money in the fund shall be expended upon appropriation by the Legislature. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of the state fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit of the fund.

42 (6) The Department of Finance and Administration, with the
43 concurrence of the State Bond Commission, is authorized to incur
44 debt, including notes or other evidences of indebtedness, for the

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58 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 59 and after <u>its passage</u>.