Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 1674

TO THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE SENATE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

139 SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, the following words 140 shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 141 requires otherwise:

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

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

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

(2) (a) (i) A special fund, to be designated as the "2019 IF IF Capital Improvements Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at

156 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General 157 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 158 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

159 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 160 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and 161 Administration, with the approval of the Board of Trustees of 162 State Institutions of Higher Learning on those projects related to 163 the universities under its management and control to pay the costs 164 of capital improvements, renovation and/or repair of existing facilities, furnishings and/or equipping facilities for public 165 facilities as hereinafter described: 166

167 AMOUNT 168 NAME PROJECT ALLOCATED 169 Alcorn State University.....\$ 6,320,000.00 170 Completion of construction, 171 furnishing, and equipping 172 of a Technology Classroom building.....\$ 2,200,000.00 173 174 Repairs, renovations 175 and improvements 176 necessary for compliance 177 with the Americans with Disabilities Act.....\$ 4,120,000.00 178 179 Alcorn State University/Division of Agriculture.....\$ 180 720,000.00 181 Phase I of repair, renovation, H. B. 1674 PAGE 2

| 182 | furnishing, equipping and |
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| 183 | expansion of and additions |
| 184 | to the Child Development |
| 185 | Laboratory Center\$ 720,000.00 |
| 186 | Delta State University\$ 7,320,000.00 |
| 187 | Repair, renovation, |
| 188 | furnishing, equipping and |
| 189 | expansion of and additions |
| 190 | and improvements to campus |
| 191 | buildings, facilities |
| 192 | and infrastructure\$ 3,742,500.00 |
| 193 | Repairs, renovations |
| 194 | and improvements |
| 195 | necessary for compliance |
| 196 | with the Americans with |
| 197 | Disabilities Act\$ 3,577,500.00 |
| 198 | Jackson State University\$ 6,740,000.00 |
| 199 | Repair, renovation, |
| 200 | furnishing, equipping and |
| 201 | expansion of and additions |
| 202 | and improvements to campus |
| 203 | buildings, facilities |
| 204 | and infrastructure\$ 6,740,000.00 |
| 205 | Mississippi State University\$ 10,320,000.00 |
| 206 | Phase II of construction, |
| 207 | furnishing and equipping of |
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| 208 | a new building and related | |
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| 209 | facilities to house the | |
| 210 | Kinesiology Department\$ 10,000,000.00 | |
| 211 | Preplanning of construction, | |
| 212 | demolition, furnishing and | |
| 213 | equipping of a new building | |
| 214 | and related facilities to | |
| 215 | house the College of | |
| 216 | Architecture, Art | |
| 217 | and Design\$ 320,000.00 | |
| 218 | Mississippi State University/Division of | |
| 219 | Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine $\$$ | 7,987,500.00 |
| 220 | Repair and renovation o | |
| 221 | buildings and related | |
| 222 | facilities at the | |
| 223 | Sustainable Bioproducts | |
| 224 | Complex and repair and | |
| 225 | renovation of Ballew Hall | |
| 226 | and related facilities\$ 7,987,500.00 | |
| 227 | Mississippi University for Women\$ | 6,645,000.00 |
| 228 | Phase I of construction, | |
| 229 | furnishing and equipping of | |
| 230 | a new building and related | |
| 231 | facilities to house the | |
| 232 | Culinary Arts Program\$ 6,645,000.00 | |
| 233 | Mississippi Valley State University\$ | 6,320,000.00 |
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| 234 | Repair, renovation, |
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| 235 | furnishing, equipping and |
| 236 | expansion of and additions |
| 237 | to the Student Union |
| 238 | Building and related |
| 239 | facilities\$ 6,320,000.00 |
| 240 | University of Mississippi\$ 5,320,000.00 |
| 241 | Repair, renovation, |
| 242 | furnishing, equipping and |
| 243 | expansion of and additions |
| 244 | to the Data Center Building |
| 245 | and related facilities\$ 5,320,000.00 |
| 246 | University of Mississippi Medical Center\$ 12,000,000.00 |
| 247 | Matching funds for site |
| 248 | development, planning, |
| 249 | design, construction, repair, |
| 250 | renovation, furnishing, |
| 251 | equipping, additions |
| 252 | to and expansion of |
| 253 | Blair E. Batson Children's |
| 254 | Hospital and related |
| 255 | facilities at the |
| 256 | University of Mississippi |
| 257 | Medical Center\$ 12,000,000.00 |
| 258 | University of Southern Mississippi\$ 13,300,000.00 |
| 259 | Repair, renovation, |
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| 260 | furnishing, equipping and |
|-----|------------------------------------------------|
| 261 | expansion of and additions |
| 262 | to Cook Library and |
| 263 | related facilities\$ 3,352,500.00 |
| 264 | Construction of improvements, |
| 265 | upgrades and additions to |
| 266 | campus infrastructure |
| 267 | including roads and |
| 268 | streets, sidewalks, |
| 269 | parking lots and related |
| 270 | facilities\$ 5,000,000.00 |
| 271 | Repair, renovation, |
| 272 | furnishing, equipping and |
| 273 | expansion of and additions |
| 274 | to the old Kinesiology |
| 275 | Building and related |
| 276 | facilities\$ 4,947,500.00 |
| 277 | University of Southern Mississippi/Gulf |
| 278 | Park Campus\$ 1,700,000.00 |
| 279 | Repair and renovation of |
| 280 | the Science Building |
| 281 | and related facilities\$ 1,700,000.00 |
| 282 | IHL Education and Research Center\$ 690,000.00 |
| 283 | Repair, renovation, |
| 284 | furnishing, equipping and |
| 285 | expansion of and additions |
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and improvements to campus

287 buildings, facilities

288 and infrastructure.....\$ 690,000.00

289 **TOTAL**.....\$ **85,382,500.00**

290 (b) (i) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall 291 be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in paragraph 292 (a) of this subsection. If any monies in such special fund are 293 not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the 294 bonds authorized under this section are deposited into the special 295 fund, then the institution of higher learning for which any unused 296 monies are allocated under paragraph (a) of this subsection shall 297 provide an accounting of such unused monies to the commission. 298 Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly 299 adopted, that the projects described in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be 300 301 completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such 302 special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds 303 issued under this section, in accordance with the proceedings 304 authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the 305 commission.

(ii) Monies in the special fund may be used to reimburse reasonable actual and necessary costs incurred by the Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, in administering or providing assistance directly related to a project described in paragraph (a) of this subsection. An H. B. 1674 PAGE 7 312 accounting of actual costs incurred for which reimbursement is 313 sought shall be maintained for each project by the Department of 314 Finance and Administration, Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real 315 Property Management. Reimbursement of reasonable actual and 316 necessary costs for a project shall not exceed two percent (2%) of 317 the proceeds of bonds issued for such project. Monies authorized 318 for a particular project may not be used to reimburse 319 administrative costs for unrelated projects.

320 The Department of Finance and Administration, (C) acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 321 322 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 323 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 324 expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The 325 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 326 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 327 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 328 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 329 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 330 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

331 Any amounts allocated to an institution of higher (d) 332 learning that are in excess of that needed to complete the 333 projects at such institution of higher learning that are described 334 in paragraph (a) of this subsection may be used for general 335 repairs and renovations at the institution of higher learning. 336 The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (3)(a) 337 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general

338 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 339 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 340 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration declaring the 341 342 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 343 obligation bonds authorized by this section, the Department of 344 Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such 345 346 resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, determine the appropriate 347 method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or 348 negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so 349 authorized to be sold, and do any and all other things necessary 350 351 and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such 352 The total amount of bonds issued under this section shall bonds. 353 not exceed Eighty-five Million Three Hundred Eighty-two Thousand 354 Five Hundred Dollars (\$85,382,500.00). No bonds shall be issued 355 under this section after July 1, 2023.

356 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into 357 the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall 358 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in 359 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 360 bonds.

361 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized
362 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this
363 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such
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364 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 365 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 366 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 367 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 368 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 369 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 370 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 371 372 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 373 commission.

374 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 375 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 376 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 377 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 378 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 379 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 380 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 381 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 382 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 383 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 384 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 385 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 386 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 387 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 388 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 389 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, H. B. 1674

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390 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 391 the State of Mississippi.

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

398 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)399 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 400 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 401 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 402 sell the bonds, pay all fees and costs incurred in such issuance 403 and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable 404 in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The 405 commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are 406 incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds 407 authorized under this section from the proceeds derived from the 408 sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such bonds on sealed 409 bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of the bonds for 410 such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the 411 State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on such bonds so 412 issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published H. B. 1674

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416 in one or more newspapers published or having a general

417 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the 418 commission.

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

424 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 425 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 426 427 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 428 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 429 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 430 431 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 432 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 433 this subsection.

434 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 435 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 436 such sale or sales to the special funds created in subsection (2) 437 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 438 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 439 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 440 441 bonds.

442 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 443 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 444 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 445 446 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 447 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 448 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 449 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 450 majority of its members.

451 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)452 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 453 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 454 455 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 456 457 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 458 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

459 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 460 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 461 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 462 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 463 464 performance of all duties required by this section to be 465 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 466 interest thereon.

467 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 468 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 469 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 470 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 471 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 472 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 473 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 474 of securing the deposit of public funds.

475 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 476 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 477 Mississippi.

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

481 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)482 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 483 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 484 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 485 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 486 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 487 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 488 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 489 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 490 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 491 thereof.

492 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 493 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 494 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 495 any existing law of this state.

496 SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, the following words 497 shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 498 requires otherwise:

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

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

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 507 (C) 508 (2)A special fund, to be designated as the "2019 (a) (i) State Agencies Capital Improvements Fund," is created within the 509 510 State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 511 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 512 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 513 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 514 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 515 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

516 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 517 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and H. B. 1674 PAGE 15

| 518 | Administration, to pay the costs of capital improvements, | |
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| 519 | renovation and/or repair of existing facilities, furnishings | |
| 520 | and/or equipping facilities for public facilities as hereinafter | |
| 521 | described: | |
| 522 | STATE AGENCIES\$ 47,000,000.00 | |
| 523 | Department of Archives and History\$ 3,250,000.00 | |
| 524 | Planning, repair, | |
| 525 | restoration and | |
| 526 | stabilization of the | |
| 527 | Windsor Ruins\$ 3,250,000.00 | |
| 528 | Department of Corrections\$ 6,000,000.00 | |
| 529 | Planning, critical repair | |
| 530 | and renovation of and code | |
| 531 | upgrades and improvements | |
| 532 | to department buildings, | |
| 533 | facilities and infrastructure | |
| 534 | and facilities under | |
| 535 | the care and control | |
| 536 | of the department\$ 2,000,000.00 | |
| 537 | Planning, repair | |
| 538 | and replacement of roofing | |
| 539 | for department buildings | |
| 540 | and facilities under | |
| 541 | the care and control | |
| 542 | of the department\$ 2,000,000.00 | |
| 543 | Planning, repair | |
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| 544 | and renovation of and |
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| 545 | upgrades and improvements |
| 546 | to security of department |
| 547 | buildings and facilities |
| 548 | and facilities under |
| 549 | the care and control |
| 550 | of the department\$ 2,000,000.00 |
| 551 | Department of Finance and Administration\$ 15,750,000.00 |
| 552 | Continuation of planning |
| 553 | repair and restoration |
| 554 | of the New Capitol |
| 555 | and Capitol Grounds\$ 4,400,000.00 |
| 556 | Planning, repair, |
| 557 | renovation, furnishing |
| 558 | and equipping of |
| 559 | and improvements to |
| 560 | Capitol Complex buildings, |
| 561 | facilities, grounds and |
| 562 | infrastructure\$ 9,850,000.00 |
| 563 | Planning, construction, |
| 564 | furnishing and equipping |
| 565 | of an emergency air response |
| 566 | station for the central |
| 567 | Mississippi region\$ 1,500,000.00 |
| 568 | Department of Mental Health\$ 8,000,000.00 |
| 569 | Planning, repair, |
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| 570 | and replacement of roofing |
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| 571 | and mechanical systems |
| 572 | and equipment for |
| 573 | buildings and facilities |
| 574 | at East Mississippi |
| 575 | State Hospital\$ 600,000.00 |
| 576 | Planning, repair |
| 577 | and replacement of |
| 578 | plumbing systems |
| 579 | at the Mississippi |
| 580 | State Hospital\$ 750,000.00 |
| 581 | Planning, repair |
| 582 | and restoration |
| 583 | of, or replacement |
| 584 | of windows at the |
| 585 | Mississippi State Hospital\$ 500,000.00 |
| 586 | Planning, repair |
| 587 | and renovations |
| 588 | for ADA compliance |
| 589 | for buildings and facilities |
| 590 | at Boswell Regional Center\$ 1,500,000.00 |
| 591 | Planning, repair |
| 592 | and replacement of mechanical |
| 593 | systems at the Central |
| 594 | Mississippi Residential Center\$ 200,000.00 |
| 595 | Planning, repair |
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| 596 | and replacement of roofing |
|-----|------------------------------------------|
| 597 | for buildings and facilities |
| 598 | at Ellisville State School\$ 750,000.00 |
| 599 | Planning, repair |
| 600 | and renovations |
| 601 | for ADA compliance |
| 602 | for buildings and facilities |
| 603 | at Ellisville State School\$ 750,000.00 |
| 604 | Planning, repair |
| 605 | and replacement of |
| 606 | generators for campus |
| 607 | buildings and facilities |
| 608 | and for community group homes |
| 609 | at Ellisville State School\$ 750,000.00 |
| 610 | Planning and construction |
| 611 | of new and replacement |
| 612 | generators for group homes |
| 613 | at Hudspeth Regional Center\$ 400,000.00 |
| 614 | Planning, repair |
| 615 | and replacement of roofing |
| 616 | for buildings and facilities |
| 617 | at North Mississippi |
| 618 | Regional Center\$ 500,000.00 |
| 619 | Planning, repair |
| 620 | and replacement of |
| 621 | generators for campus |
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| 622 | buildings and facilities | |
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| 623 | and for community group homes | |
| 624 | at South Mississippi | |
| 625 | Regional Center\$ 800,000.00 | |
| 626 | Planning, repair | |
| 627 | and renovation of | |
| 628 | cottage kitchens | |
| 629 | at South Mississippi | |
| 630 | State Hospital\$ 500,000.00 | |
| 631 | Department of Public Safety\$ | 3,000,000.00 |
| 632 | Phase III of construction, | |
| 633 | furnishing and equipping of | |
| 634 | a headquarters replacement | |
| 635 | building and related | |
| 636 | facilities adjacent | |
| 637 | to the State Crime | |
| 638 | Laboratory in Rankin County, | |
| 639 | Mississippi\$ 3,000,000.00 | |
| 640 | Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks\$ | 4,000,000.00 |
| 641 | Planning, repair, | |
| 642 | rehabilitation and upgrades | |
| 643 | of high hazard dams, | |
| 644 | spillways and other | |
| 645 | structures and facilities\$ 4,000,000.00 | |
| 646 | Mississippi Fair Commission\$ | 2,250,000.00 |
| 647 | Planning and replacement | |
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| 648 | of Coliseum seating\$ 2,250,000.00 |
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| 649 | Mississippi Military Department\$ 1,250,000.00 |
| 650 | Matching funds for |
| 651 | planning, repair, |
| 652 | renovation of and |
| 653 | upgrades and improvements |
| 654 | to readiness centers\$ 1,250,000.00 |
| 655 | State Fire Academy\$ 3,500,000.00 |
| 656 | Planning, repair, |
| 657 | renovation, furnishing |
| 658 | and equipping of and |
| 659 | expansion of administration, |
| 660 | kitchen and dining |
| 661 | facilities at the |
| 662 | Mississippi State Fire |
| 663 | Academy in Rankin |
| 664 | County, Mississippi\$ 3,500,000.00 |
| 665 | TOTAL\$ 47,000,000.00 |
| 666 | (b) (i) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall |
| 667 | be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in paragraph |
| 668 | (a) of this subsection. If any monies in such special fund are |
| 669 | not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the |
| 670 | bonds authorized under this section are deposited into the special |
| 671 | fund, then the agency or institution of higher learning for which |
| 672 | any unused monies are allocated under paragraph (a) of this |
| 673 | subsection shall provide an accounting of such unused monies to |
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674 the commission. Promptly after the commission has certified, by 675 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in paragraph 676 (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, abandoned, or 677 cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in 678 such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with the 679 680 proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed 681 by the commission.

682 (ii) Monies in the special fund may be used to 683 reimburse reasonable actual and necessary costs incurred by the 684 Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the 685 Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, in 686 administering or providing assistance directly related to a 687 project described in paragraph (a) of this subsection. An 688 accounting of actual costs incurred for which reimbursement is 689 sought shall be maintained for each project by the Department of 690 Finance and Administration, Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real 691 Property Management. Reimbursement of reasonable actual and 692 necessary costs for a project shall not exceed two percent (2%) of 693 the proceeds of bonds issued for such project. Monies authorized 694 for a particular project may not be used to reimburse 695 administrative costs for unrelated projects.

(c) The Department of Finance and Administration,
acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property
Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and
expend any local or other source funds in connection with the

expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

(d) Any amounts allocated to an agency that are in excess of that needed to complete the projects at such agency that are described in paragraph (a) of this subsection may be used for general repairs and renovations at the agency.

711 A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (3)(i) (a) 712 Department of Finance and Administration Statewide Critical Repair 713 and Renovation Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The 714 fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and 715 special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the 716 Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a state. 717 fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any 718 interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund 719 shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs of site and infrastructure improvements, general repairs and renovations, weatherization, roofing, environmental mitigation, mechanical, electrical and structural repairs required for state-owned facilities,

726 universities and community and junior colleges, repairs, 727 renovations and improvements necessary for compliance with the 728 Americans with Disabilities Act or other codes, purchase and 729 installation of necessary furniture and equipment, and continuation and completion of previously authorized projects. 730 731 However, of the monies deposited into the fund, One Million 732 Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) shall be allocated for use in coordination with the City of Columbus, Mississippi, for site work and making 733 734 upgrades and improvements to drainage and related infrastructure 735 at and/or near the campus of the Mississippi University for Women 736 in Columbus, Mississippi, for the purpose of reducing the 737 occurrence of flooding on and/or near the campus.

738 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 739 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 740 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 741 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 742 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 743 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 744 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 745 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 746 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 747 directed by the commission.

(c) The Department of Finance and Administration,
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expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

759 The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (4) (a) 760 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 761 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 762 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 763 subsections (2) and (3) of this section. Upon the adoption of a 764 resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration 765 declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this section, the 766 Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified 767 768 copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon 769 receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may 770 act as issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, determine 771 the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and 772 accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the 773 bonds so authorized to be sold, and do any and all other things 774 necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale 775 of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under this 776 section shall not exceed Fifty-seven Million Dollars

777 (\$57,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this section
778 after July 1, 2023.

(b) The proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the following special funds in not more than the following amounts:

(i) The 2019 State Agencies Capital Improvements
Fund created pursuant to subsection (2) of this
Section.....\$ 47,000,000.00.
(ii) The 2019 Department of Finance and
Administration Statewide Critical Repair and Renovation Fund
created pursuant to subsection (3) of this
Section.....\$ 10,000,000.00.

(c) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the special funds created in subsections (2) and (3) of this section shall be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such bonds.

794 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (5) 795 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 796 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 797 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 798 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 799 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 800 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 801 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 802 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such H. B. 1674 PAGE 26

time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the commission.

807 (6) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 808 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 809 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 810 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 811 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 812 813 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 814 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 815 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 816 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 817 818 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 819 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 820 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 821 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 822 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 823 824 the State of Mississippi.

(7) All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of this section have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this H. B. 1674 PAGE 27 829 section, the commission shall not be required to and need not 830 comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

831 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (8) 832 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 833 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 834 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 835 sell the bonds, pay all fees and costs incurred in such issuance 836 and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable 837 in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are 838 839 incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds 840 authorized under this section from the proceeds derived from the 841 sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such bonds on sealed 842 bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the 843 844 State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on such bonds so 845 issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of this section, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the H. B. 1674 PAGE 28 855 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 856 dates named therein.

857 (9) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 858 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 859 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 860 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 861 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 862 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 863 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 864 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 865 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of this subsection. 866

867 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the (10)868 provisions of this section, the commission shall transfer the 869 proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special funds created in subsections (2) and (3) of this section in the amounts provided 870 871 for in subsection (4)(b) of this section. The proceeds of such 872 bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department 873 of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, if any, as 874 may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of 875 the bonds.

(11) The bonds authorized under this section may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the

provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority of its members.

885 (12) The bonds authorized under the authority of this 886 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 887 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 888 889 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 890 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 891 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 892 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

893 Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this (13)894 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 895 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 896 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 897 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 898 performance of all duties required by this section to be 899 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 900 interest thereon.

901 (14) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 902 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 903 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 904 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 905 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 906 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state H. B. 1674 PAGE 30 907 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 908 of securing the deposit of public funds.

909 (15) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 910 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 911 Mississippi.

912 (16) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 913 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 914 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

915 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (17)916 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 917 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 918 919 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 920 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 921 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 922 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 923 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 924 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 925 thereof.

926 (18) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 927 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 928 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 929 any existing law of this state.

930 SECTION 3. (1) As used in this section, the following words 931 shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 932 requires otherwise:

933 (a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date 934 of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated 935 initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon 936 from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, 937 compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the 938 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 939 maturity.

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

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

(2) A special fund, to be designated as the "2019 942 (a) (i) 943 Community and Junior Colleges Capital Improvements Fund," is 944 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 945 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 946 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts 947 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment 948 949 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit 950 of the fund. Monies in the fund may not be used or expended for 951 any purpose except as authorized under this act.

952 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 953 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and 954 Administration, to pay the costs of acquisition of real property, 955 construction of new facilities, equipping and furnishing 956 facilities, including furniture and technology equipment and 957 infrastructure, and addition to or renovation of existing 958 facilities for community and junior college campuses as H. B. 1674 PAGE 32

959 recommended by the Mississippi Community College Board. The 960 amount to be expended at each community and junior college is as 961 follows:

| 962 | Coahoma\$ | 1,159,510.00 |
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| 963 | Copiah-Lincoln | 1,360,905.00 |
| 964 | East Central | 1,311,518.00 |
| 965 | East Mississippi | 1,524,682.00 |
| 966 | Hinds | 2,817,563.00 |
| 967 | Holmes | 1,907,315.00 |
| 968 | Itawamba | 1,757,945.00 |
| 969 | Jones | 1,708,639.00 |
| 970 | Meridian | 1,413,275.00 |
| 971 | Mississippi Delta | 1,265,895.00 |
| 972 | Mississippi Gulf Coast | 2,428,932.00 |
| 973 | Northeast Mississippi | 1,432,835.00 |
| 974 | Northwest Mississippi | 2,095,183.00 |
| 975 | Pearl River | 1,638,423.00 |
| 976 | Southwest Mississippi | 1,177,380.00 |
| 977 | GRAND TOTAL\$ | 25,000,000.00 |

(b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in paragraph (a) of this subsection. If any monies in such special fund are not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds authorized under this section are deposited into the special fund, then the community college or junior college for which any such monies are allocated under paragraph (a) of this subsection

985 shall provide an accounting of such unused monies to the 986 commission. Promptly after the commission has certified, by 987 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in paragraph 988 (a) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or 989 cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in 990 such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the 991 bonds issued under this section, in accordance with the 992 proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed 993 by the commission.

994 The Department of Finance and Administration, (C) 995 acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 996 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 997 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 998 expenditure of funds provided for in this section. The 999 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 1000 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 1001 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 1002 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 1003 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 1004 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

(3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration declaring the

1011 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 1012 obligation bonds authorized by this section, the Department of Finance and Administration shall deliver a certified copy of its 1013 resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such 1014 1015 resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as issuing 1016 agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, determine the appropriate 1017 method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so 1018 1019 authorized to be sold, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such 1020 1021 The total amount of bonds issued under this section shall bonds. 1022 not exceed Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000.00). No bonds 1023 shall be issued under this section after July 1, 2023.

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

1029 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 1030 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 1031 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 1032 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 1033 1034 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 1035 1036 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) H. B. 1674 PAGE 35

1037 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 1038 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 1039 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 1040 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 1041 commission.

1042 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 1043 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 1044 1045 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 1046 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 1047 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 1048 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 1049 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 1050 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 1051 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 1052 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 1053 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 1054 1055 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 1056 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 1057 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 1058 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 1059 the State of Mississippi.

1060 (6) All bonds and interest coupons issued under the 1061 provisions of this section have all the qualities and incidents of 1062 negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform

1063 Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this 1064 section, the commission shall not be required to and need not 1065 comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

1066 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)1067 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 1068 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 1069 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 1070 sell the bonds, pay all fees and costs incurred in such issuance 1071 and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. 1072 The 1073 commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are 1074 incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds 1075 authorized under this section from the proceeds derived from the 1076 sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such bonds on sealed 1077 bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of the bonds for 1078 such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the 1079 State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually. 1080

1081 If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice 1082 of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than 1083 ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published 1084 in one or more newspapers published or having a general 1085 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the 1086 commission.

1087 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 1088 this section, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State H. B. 1674 PAGE 37 1089 of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the 1090 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 1091 dates named therein.

1092 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8)1093 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 1094 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 1095 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 1096 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 1097 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 1098 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 1099 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 1100 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 1101 this subsection.

Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 1102 (9) 1103 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 1104 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 1105 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 1106 1107 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 1108 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 1109 bonds.

(10) The bonds authorized under this section may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the

1115 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 1116 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 1117 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 1118 majority of its members.

1119 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)1120 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 1121 1122 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 1123 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 1124 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 1125 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 1126 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

1127 Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this (12)1128 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 1129 1130 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 1131 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be 1132 1133 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 1134 interest thereon.

(13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state H. B. 1674 PAGE 39 1141 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 1142 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

1146 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 1147 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 1148 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

1149 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)1150 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 1151 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 1152 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 1153 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 1154 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 1155 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 1156 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 1157 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 1158 1159 thereof.

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

1164 SECTION 4. (1) As used in this section, the following words 1165 shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 1166 requires otherwise:

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

1174 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

1175 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

1176 (2)(a) (i) A special fund, to be designated the "2019 1177 Mississippi Aquarium Construction Fund," is created within the 1178 State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 1179 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 1180 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 1181 1182 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 1183 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, in paying costs associated with the construction, furnishing and equipping of the Mississippi Aquarium and related facilities in Gulfport, Mississippi, and infrastructure related to the aquarium and related facilities.

(b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph H. B. 1674 PAGE 41 1193 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 1194 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 1195 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 1196 1197 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 1198 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 1199 1200 directed by the commission.

1201 The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (3) (a) 1202 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 1203 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 1204 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 1205 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 1206 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 1207 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 1208 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 1209 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 1210 1211 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 1212 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 1213 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 1214 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 1215 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 1216 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Eleven Million 1217

1218 Dollars (\$11,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this 1219 section after July 1, 2023.

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

1225 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 1226 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 1227 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 1228 1229 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 1230 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 1231 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 1232 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 1233 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 1234 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 1235 1236 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 1237 commission.

(5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such

1244 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 1245 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 1246 1247 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 1248 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 1249 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 1250 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 1251 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 1252 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 1253 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 1254 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 1255 the State of Mississippi.

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

1262 (7)The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds 1263 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 1264 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 1265 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 1266 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 1267 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 1268 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 1269 н. в. 1674

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1270 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 1271 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 1272 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 1273 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 1274 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 1275 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 1276 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

1277 If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice 1278 of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than 1279 ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published 1280 in one or more newspapers published or having a general 1281 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the 1282 commission.

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

1288 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 1289 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 1290 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 1291 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 1292 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 1293 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 1294 1295 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain н. в. 1674 PAGE 45

1296 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 1297 this subsection.

1298 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 1299 1300 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 1301 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 1302 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 1303 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 1304 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 1305 bonds.

1306 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 1307 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 1308 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this section. Any 1309 1310 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 1311 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 1312 1313 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 1314 majority of its members.

(11) The bonds authorized under the authority of this section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required

1321 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 1322 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 1323 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this

1324 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 1325 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 1326 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 1327 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 1328 performance of all duties required by this section to be 1329 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 1330 interest thereon.

1331 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 1332 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 1333 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 1334 1335 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 1336 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 1337 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of public funds. 1338

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

1342 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 1343 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 1344 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

1345 (16) The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 1346 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and

1347 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 1348 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 1349 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 1350 1351 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 1352 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 1353 1354 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 1355 thereof.

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

1360 SECTION 5. (1) As used in this section, the following words 1361 shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 1362 requires otherwise:

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

1370 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.1371 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

1372 (2)(i) A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) Concourse Workforce Training Center," is created within the State 1373 The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as 1374 Treasurv. a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 1375 1376 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at 1377 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 1378 1379 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist in paying costs associated with the repair, renovation and other improvements to buildings and related facilities in the City of Batesville, Mississippi, to house the Concourse Workforce Training Center.

1386 (b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 1387 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 1388 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 1389 1390 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 1391 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 1392 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 1393 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 1394 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 1395 directed by the commission.

(3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time,may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general

1398 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 1399 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 1400 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 1401 1402 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 1403 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 1404 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 1405 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 1406 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 1407 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 1408 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 1409 1410 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 1411 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Five Million 1412 Dollars (\$5,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this 1413 1414 section after July 1, 2023.

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

(4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized
under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this
subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such
denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates
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1424 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 1425 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 1426 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 1427 1428 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 1429 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 1430 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 1431 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 1432 commission.

1433 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 1434 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 1435 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 1436 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 1437 1438 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 1439 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 1440 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 1441 1442 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 1443 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 1444 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 1445 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 1446 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 1447 However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 1448 bear.

1449 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 1450 the State of Mississippi.

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

1457 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)1458 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 1459 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 1460 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 1461 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 1462 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 1463 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 1464 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 1465 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 1466 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 1467 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 1468 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 1469 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 1470 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 1471 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

1472 If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice 1473 of the sale shall be published at least one (1) time, not less 1474 than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so

1475 published in one or more newspapers published or having a general 1476 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the 1477 commission.

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

1483 (8)The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 1484 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 1485 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 1486 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 1487 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 1488 1489 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 1490 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 1491 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 1492 this subsection.

1493 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 1494 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 1495 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 1496 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 1497 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 1498 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 1499 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 1500 bonds.

1501 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 1502 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 1503 1504 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 1505 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 1506 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 1507 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 1508 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 1509 majority of its members.

1510 (11)The bonds authorized under the authority of this 1511 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 1512 1513 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 1514 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 1515 1516 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 1517 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

1518 Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this (12)1519 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 1520 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 1521 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 1522 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be 1523 1524 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 1525 interest thereon.

1526 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)1527 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 1528 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 1529 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 1530 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 1531 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 1532 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 1533 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

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

The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 1540 (16)1541 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 1542 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 1543 1544 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 1545 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 1546 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 1547 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 1548 1549 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates thereof. 1550

1551 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 1552 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 1553 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 1554 any existing law of this state.

1555 **SECTION 6.** (1) As used in this section, the following words 1556 shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 1557 requires otherwise:

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

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

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 1566 (C) 1567 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) Port Bienville Dredging Fund, " is created within the State 1568 1569 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as 1570 a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 1571 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at 1572 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 1573 1574 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

1575 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 1576 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and H. B. 1674 PAGE 56 1577 Administration, to assist in paying costs associated with dredging 1578 at Port Bienville in Hancock County, Mississippi.

1579 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 1580 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 1581 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 1582 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 1583 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 1584 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 1585 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 1586 1587 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 1588 directed by the commission.

1589 The Department of Finance and Administration, (C) 1590 acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 1591 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 1592 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 1593 expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 1594 1595 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 1596 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 1597 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 1598 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 1599 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 1600 (3) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (a)

1601 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 1602 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for

1603 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 1604 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 1605 1606 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 1607 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 1608 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 1609 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 1610 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 1611 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 1612 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 1613 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 1614 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 1615 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Two Million 1616 Dollars (\$2,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this 1617 1618 section after July 1, 2023.

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

(4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101,

1629 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 1630 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 1631 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 1632 1633 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 1634 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 1635 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 1636 commission.

1637 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (5) 1638 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 1639 1640 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 1641 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 1642 1643 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 1644 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 1645 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 1646 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 1647 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 1648 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 1649 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 1650 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 1651 1652 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 1653 1654 the State of Mississippi.

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

1661 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)1662 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 1663 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 1664 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 1665 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 1666 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 1667 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 1668 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 1669 1670 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 1671 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 1672 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 1673 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 1674 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 1675 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

1676 If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice 1677 of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than 1678 ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published 1679 in one or more newspapers published or having a general

1680 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the 1681 commission.

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

1687 (8)The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 1688 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 1689 1690 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 1691 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 1692 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 1693 1694 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 1695 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 1696 this subsection.

1697 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 1698 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 1699 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 1700 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 1701 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 1702 1703 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 1704 bonds.

1705 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 1706 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 1707 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 1708 1709 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 1710 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 1711 1712 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 1713 majority of its members.

1714 (11)The bonds authorized under the authority of this 1715 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 1716 1717 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 1718 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 1719 1720 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 1721 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

1722 Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this (12)1723 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 1724 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 1725 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 1726 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be 1727 1728 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 1729 interest thereon.

1730 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)1731 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 1732 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 1733 1734 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 1735 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 1736 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 1737 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

1741 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 1742 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 1743 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 1744 (16)1745 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 1746 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 1747 1748 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 1749 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 1750 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 1751 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 1752 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 1753 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates thereof. 1754

1755 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 1756 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 1757 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 1758 any existing law of this state.

1759 SECTION 7. (1) As used in this section, the following words 1760 shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 1761 requires otherwise:

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

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

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 1770 (C) 1771 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) Grand Gulf Road Repair and Preventative Maintenance Fund," is 1772 1773 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 1774 1775 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts 1776 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment 1777 1778 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund. 1779 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be

1780 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and H. B. 1674 PAGE 64 1781 Administration, to assist Claiborne County, Mississippi, in paying 1782 costs associated with the repair and preventative maintenance of Grand Gulf Road, including, but not limited to, the correction of 1783 1784 erosion likely to cause road closure and thus negatively impact 1785 Grand Gulf Nuclear Station's Emergency Evacuation Plan, which is a 1786 regulatory requirement for operation of the station. In addition, 1787 the road is the primary access road for over eight hundred (800) 1788 Grand Gulf Nuclear Station employees on a daily basis and hundreds 1789 of tourists on a monthly basis who are visiting Grand Gulf 1790 Military Park.

1791 (b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 1792 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 1793 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 1794 1795 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 1796 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 1797 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 1798 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 1799 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 1800 directed by the commission.

(3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the

1807 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 1808 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 1809 1810 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 1811 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 1812 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 1813 1814 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 1815 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. 1816 The total amount of bonds issued under this section shall not exceed One Million Seven 1817 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,700,000.00). No bonds shall be 1818 1819 issued under this section after July 1, 2023.

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

1825 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 1826 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 1827 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 1828 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 1829 1830 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 1831 1832 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) н. в. 1674 PAGE 66

1833 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 1834 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 1835 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 1836 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 1837 commission.

1838 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 1839 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 1840 1841 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 1842 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 1843 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 1844 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 1845 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 1846 1847 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 1848 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 1849 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 1850 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 1851 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 1852 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 1853 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 1854 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 1855 the State of Mississippi.

(6) All bonds and interest coupons issued under the
provisions of this section have all the qualities and incidents of
negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform

1859 Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this 1860 section, the commission shall not be required to and need not 1861 comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds 1862 (7)1863 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 1864 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 1865 1866 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 1867 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 1868 1869 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 1870 1871 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 1872 1873 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 1874 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 1875 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually. 1876

1877 If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice 1878 of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than 1879 ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published 1880 in one or more newspapers published or having a general 1881 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the 1882 commission.

1883 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 1884 this section, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State H. B. 1674 PAGE 68 1885 of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the 1886 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 1887 dates named therein.

1888 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8)1889 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 1890 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 1891 1892 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 1893 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 1894 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 1895 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 1896 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 1897 this subsection.

Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 1898 (9) 1899 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 1900 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 1901 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 1902 1903 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 1904 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 1905 bonds.

(10) The bonds authorized under this section may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the

1911 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 1912 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 1913 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 1914 majority of its members.

1915 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)1916 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 1917 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 1918 1919 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 1920 1921 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 1922 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

1923 Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this (12)section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 1924 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 1925 1926 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 1927 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be 1928 1929 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 1930 interest thereon.

(13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section
shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and
for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies
organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such
bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and
shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state
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1937 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 1938 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

1942 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 1943 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 1944 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

1945 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)1946 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 1947 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 1948 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 1949 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 1950 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 1951 1952 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 1953 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 1954 1955 thereof.

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

1960 SECTION 8. (1) As used in this section, the following words 1961 shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 1962 requires otherwise:

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

1970 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

1971 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

1972 (2)(a) (i) A special fund, to be designated as the "2019 1973 Division Street and Forest Avenue Improvement Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 1974 1975 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 1976 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 1977 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 1978 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 1979 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

1980 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 1981 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and 1982 Administration, to assist the City of Biloxi, Mississippi, in 1983 paying the costs of improvements to Division Street and Forrest 1984 Avenue related to the construction of a new main entry gate for Keesler Air Force Base, including, but not limited to, an expanded 1985 1986 and enhanced boulevard along Division Street from Interstate 110 to Forrest Avenue. 1987

1988 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 1989 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 1990 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 1991 1992 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 1993 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 1994 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 1995 1996 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 1997 directed by the commission.

1998 (3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, 1999 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 2000 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 2001 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 2002 2003 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 2004 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 2005 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 2006 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 2007 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 2008 in its discretion, may act as issuing agent, prescribe the form of 2009 the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, 2010 2011 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 2012 2013 issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued H. B. 1674

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2014 under this section shall not exceed Five Million Dollars 2015 (\$5,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this section 2016 after July 1, 2023.

2017 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into 2018 the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall 2019 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in 2020 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 2021 bonds.

2022 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (4) 2023 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 2024 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 2025 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 2026 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 2027 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 2028 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 2029 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 2030 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 2031 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 2032 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 2033 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 2034 commission.

(5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by H. B. 1674 PAGE 74 2040 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 2041 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 2042 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 2043 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 2044 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 2045 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 2046 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 2047 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 2048 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 2049 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 2050 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 2051 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 2052 the State of Mississippi.

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

2059 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)2060 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 2061 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 2062 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 2063 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 2064 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 2065 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and н. в. 1674 PAGE 75

2066 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 2067 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 2068 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 2069 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 2070 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 2071 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 2072 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 2073 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

2085 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8)2086 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 2087 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 2088 2089 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 2090 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 2091 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State H. B. 1674 PAGE 76

2092 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 2093 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 2094 this subsection.

2095 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 2096 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 2097 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 2098 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 2099 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 2100 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 2101 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 2102 bonds.

2103 The bonds authorized under this section may be issued (10)2104 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 2105 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 2106 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 2107 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 2108 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 2109 2110 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 2111 majority of its members.

(11) The bonds authorized under the authority of this
section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First
Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and
with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31,
Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal,
school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required
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2118 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 2119 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 2120 (12)2121 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 2122 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 2123 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 2124 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 2125 performance of all duties required by this section to be 2126 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 2127 interest thereon.

2128 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 2129 2130 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 2131 2132 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 2133 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 2134 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 2135 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

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

(16) The State Treasurer is authorized, without further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and

2144 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 2145 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 2146 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 2147 2148 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 2149 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 2150 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 2151 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 2152 thereof.

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

2157 **SECTION 9.** (1) As used in this section, the following words 2158 shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly 2159 requires otherwise:

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

(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.(c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

2169 (2)(a) (i) A special fund to be designated the "2019 2170 Mississippi State Fire Academy Capital Improvements Fund" is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 2171 2172 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 2173 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts 2174 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse 2175 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment 2176 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

2177 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 2178 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and 2179 Administration, to pay costs associated with construction, 2180 furnishing and equipping of a fire station, dormitory, disaster 2181 staging area and related infrastructure and facilities site and 2182 infrastructure construction, acquisition of property for parking and continuation of previously authorized projects at the 2183 2184 Mississippi State Fire Academy in Rankin County, Mississippi.

2185 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 2186 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 2187 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 2188 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 2189 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 2190 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 2191 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 2192 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 2193 2194 directed by the commission.

2195 (C) The Department of Finance and Administration, 2196 acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 2197 2198 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 2199 expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The 2200 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 2201 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 2202 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 2203 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 2204 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 2205 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

2206 The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (3)(a) 2207 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 2208 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 2209 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 2210 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 2211 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 2212 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 2213 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 2214 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 2215 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 2216 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 2217 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 2218 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 2219 2220 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection H. B. 1674

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with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this section after July 1, 2023.

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

2230 (4)The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 2231 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 2232 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 2233 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 2234 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 2235 2236 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 2237 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 2238 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 2239 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 2240 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 2241 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 2242 commission.

(5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest

2247 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 2248 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 2249 2250 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 2251 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 2252 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 2253 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 2254 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 2255 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 2256 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 2257 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 2258 However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, bear. 2259 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 2260 the State of Mississippi.

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

(7) The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other

2273 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 2274 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 2275 2276 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 2277 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 2278 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 2279 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 2280 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 2281 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one (1) time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

(8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency H. B. 1674 PAGE 84 2299 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 2300 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 2301 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 2302 this subsection.

2303 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 2304 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 2305 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 2306 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 2307 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 2308 2309 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 2310 bonds.

2311 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 2312 2313 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 2314 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 2315 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 2316 2317 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 2318 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 2319 majority of its members.

(11) The bonds authorized under the authority of this
section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First
Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and
with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31,
Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal,
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2325 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 2326 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 2327 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

2328 (12)Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 2329 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 2330 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 2331 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 2332 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 2333 performance of all duties required by this section to be 2334 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 2335 interest thereon.

2336 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)2337 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 2338 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 2339 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 2340 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 2341 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 2342 2343 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

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

The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 2350 (16)2351 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 2352 2353 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 2354 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 2355 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 2356 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 2357 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 2358 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 2359 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 2360 thereof.

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

2365 **SECTION 10.** (1) As used in this section, the following 2366 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 2367 clearly requires otherwise:

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

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

2376 (C) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 2377 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) Winona Historic Clock Tower Fund," is created within the State 2378 2379 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as 2380 a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 2381 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at 2382 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General 2383 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 2384 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist the City of Winona, Mississippi, in paying the costs associated with the construction and placement of a historic clock tower.

2390 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 2391 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 2392 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 2393 2394 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 2395 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 2396 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 2397 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 2398 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 2399 directed by the commission.

(3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time,
may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general

2402 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 2403 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 2404 2405 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 2406 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 2407 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 2408 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 2409 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 2410 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 2411 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 2412 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 2413 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 2414 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 2415 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Five Hundred 2416 2417 Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 2418 this section after July 1, 2023.

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

(4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized
under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this
subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such
denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates
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2428 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 2429 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 2430 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 2431 2432 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 2433 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 2434 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 2435 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 2436 commission.

2437 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 2438 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 2439 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 2440 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 2441 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 2442 2443 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 2444 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 2445 2446 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 2447 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 2448 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 2449 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 2450 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 2451 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 2452 However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, bear.

2453 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 2454 the State of Mississippi.

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

2461 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)2462 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 2463 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 2464 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 2465 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 2466 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 2467 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 2468 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 2469 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 2470 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 2471 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 2472 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 2473 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 2474 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually. 2475

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published

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2480 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the 2481 commission.

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

2487 (8)The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 2488 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 2489 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 2490 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 2491 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 2492 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 2493 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 2494 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 2495 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 2496 this subsection.

2497 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 2498 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 2499 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 2500 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 2501 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 2502 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 2503 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 2504 bonds.

2505 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 2506 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 2507 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 2508 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 2509 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 2510 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 2511 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 2512 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 2513 majority of its members.

2514 (11)The bonds authorized under the authority of this 2515 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 2516 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 2517 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 2518 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 2519 2520 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 2521 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

2522 Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this (12)2523 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 2524 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 2525 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 2526 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be 2527 2528 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 2529 interest thereon.

2530 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)2531 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 2532 2533 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 2534 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 2535 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 2536 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 2537 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

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

2544 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)2545 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 2546 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 2547 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 2548 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 2549 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 2550 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 2551 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 2552 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 2553 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 2554 thereof.

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

2559 **SECTION 11.** (1) As used in this section, the following 2560 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 2561 clearly requires otherwise:

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

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

2570 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

2571 (2)A special fund, to be designated as the "2019 (a) (i) 2572 Town of Prentiss Infrastructure Improvements Project Fund," is 2573 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 2574 2575 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts 2576 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse 2577 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment 2578 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

2579 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 2580 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and H. B. 1674 PAGE 95 Administration, to assist the Town of Prentiss, Mississippi, in paying costs associated with its Infrastructure Improvements Project, Phase I.

2584 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 2585 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 2586 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 2587 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 2588 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 2589 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 2590 2591 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 2592 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 2593 directed by the commission.

2594 The Department of Finance and Administration, (C) 2595 acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 2596 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 2597 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 2598 expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The 2599 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 2600 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 2601 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 2602 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 2603 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 2604 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 2605 (3) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (a) 2606 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general

2607 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 2608 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 2609 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 2610 2611 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 2612 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 2613 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 2614 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 2615 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 2616 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 2617 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 2618 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 2619 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 2620 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 2621 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed One Hundred Fifty 2622 Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 2623 this section after July 1, 2023.

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

(4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized
under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this
subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such
denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates

2633 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 2634 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 2635 2636 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 2637 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 2638 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 2639 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 2640 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 2641 commission.

2642 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 2643 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 2644 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 2645 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 2646 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 2647 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 2648 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 2649 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 2650 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 2651 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 2652 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 2653 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 2654 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 2655 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 2656 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 2657 However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, bear.

2658 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 2659 the State of Mississippi.

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

2666 The commission shall act as the issuing agent for the (7)2667 bonds authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the 2668 bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, 2669 advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, 2670 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 2671 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 2672 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 2673 2674 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under this section from the 2675 2676 proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may 2677 sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the 2678 sale of the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the 2679 best interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing 2680 on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually. 2681 If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one 2682 2683 time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and

2684 shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or 2685 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, 2686 selected by the commission.

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

2692 (8)The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 2693 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 2694 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 2695 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 2696 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 2697 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 2698 2699 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 2700 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 2701 this subsection.

2702 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 2703 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 2704 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 2705 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 2706 2707 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 2708 2709 bonds.

2710 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 2711 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 2712 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 2713 2714 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 2715 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 2716 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 2717 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 2718 majority of its members.

2719 (11)The bonds authorized under the authority of this 2720 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 2721 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 2722 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 2723 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 2724 2725 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 2726 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

2727 Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this (12)2728 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 2729 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 2730 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 2731 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be 2732 2733 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 2734 interest thereon.

2735 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 2736 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 2737 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 2738 2739 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 2740 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 2741 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 2742 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

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

The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 2749 (16)2750 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 2751 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 2752 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 2753 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 2754 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 2755 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 2756 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 2757 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 2758 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 2759 thereof.

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

2764 **SECTION 12.** (1) As used in this section, the following 2765 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 2766 clearly requires otherwise:

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

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

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

2776 (2)A special fund, to be designated as the "2019 (a) (i) Retro Metro/Hinds Community College Sector Training Plus 2777 2778 Comprehensive One-Stop Workforce Training Center Fund," is created 2779 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 2780 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 2781 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 2782 2783 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund. 2784

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(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be
disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and
Administration, to pay the costs of furnishing, equipping,
remodeling, repairing and renovating a portion of the Metrocenter
Mall in Jackson, Mississippi, to house the Retro Metro/Hinds
Community College Sector Training Plus Comprehensive One-Stop
Workforce Training Center.

2792 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 2793 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 2794 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 2795 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 2796 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 2797 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 2798 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 2799 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 2800 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 2801 directed by the commission.

2802 The Department of Finance and Administration, (C) 2803 acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 2804 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 2805 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 2806 expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The 2807 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 2808 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 2809 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 2810 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants н. в. 1674 PAGE 104

2811 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 2812 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 2813 The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (3)(a) 2814 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 2815 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 2816 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 2817 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 2818 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 2819 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 2820 2821 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 2822 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 2823 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 2824 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 2825 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 2826 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 2827 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 2828 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 2829 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Two Million 2830 Dollars (\$2,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this 2831 section after July 1, 2023.

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

2837 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 2838 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 2839 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 2840 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 2841 2842 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 2843 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 2844 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 2845 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 2846 2847 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 2848 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 2849 commission.

2850 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (5)2851 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 2852 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 2853 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 2854 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 2855 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 2856 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 2857 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 2858 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 2859 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 2860 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 2861 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 2862 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially

signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

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

2874 The commission shall act as the issuing agent for the (7)2875 bonds authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the 2876 bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, 2877 advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, 2878 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 2879 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 2880 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 2881 issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 2882 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 2883 and delivery of the bonds authorized under this section from the 2884 proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may 2885 sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the 2886 sale of the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the 2887 best interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing 2888 on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

2900 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8)2901 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 2902 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 2903 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 2904 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 2905 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 2906 2907 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 2908 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 2909 this subsection.

(9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and

2915 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 2916 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 2917 bonds.

2918 The bonds authorized under this section may be issued (10)2919 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 2920 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 2921 things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 2922 2923 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 2924 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 2925 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 2926 majority of its members.

2927 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)2928 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 2929 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 2930 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 2931 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 2932 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 2933 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 2934 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

(12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be

2941 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 2942 interest thereon.

2943 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 2944 2945 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 2946 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 2947 2948 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 2949 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 2950 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

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

2957 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 2958 2959 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 2960 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 2961 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 2962 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 2963 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 2964 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 2965 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time

2966 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 2967 thereof.

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

2972 SECTION 13. (1) As used in this section, the following 2973 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 2974 clearly requires otherwise:

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

2982 "State" means the State of Mississippi. (b) 2983 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C) 2984 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) 2985 Mississippi Center for Innovation and Technology Repair, 2986 Rehabilitation and Construction Fund," is created within the State 2987 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as 2988 a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 2989 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General 2990

2991 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 2992 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be
disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and
Administration, to assist in paying costs associated with repair,
rehabilitation and related construction activities for the
Mississippi Center for Innovation and Technology in the City of
Vicksburg, Mississippi.

2999 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 3000 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 3001 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 3002 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 3003 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 3004 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 3005 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 3006 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 3007 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 3008 directed by the commission.

3009 (3) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (a) 3010 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 3011 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 3012 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 3013 3014 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 3015 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 3016

3017 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 3018 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 3019 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 3020 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 3021 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 3022 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 3023 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 3024 3025 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00). No bonds shall be 3026 3027 issued under this section after July 1, 2023.

3028 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into 3029 the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall 3030 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in 3031 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 3032 bonds.

3033 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (4) under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 3034 3035 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 3036 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 3037 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 3038 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 3039 3040 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 3041 3042 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall H. B. 1674 PAGE 113

3043 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 3044 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 3045 commission.

3046 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (5)3047 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 3048 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. 3049 The interest 3050 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 3051 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 3052 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 3053 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 3054 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 3055 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 3056 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 3057 3058 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 3059 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 3060 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 3061 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 3062 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 3063 the State of Mississippi.

(6) All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of this section have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this

3068 section, the commission shall not be required to and need not 3069 comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

3070 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 3071 3072 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 3073 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 3074 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 3075 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 3076 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 3077 3078 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 3079 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 3080 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 3081 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 3082 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 3083 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 3084 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one (1) time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

3091 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 3092 this section, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State 3093 of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the H. B. 1674 PAGE 115 3094 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 3095 dates named therein.

3096 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 3097 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 3098 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 3099 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 3100 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 3101 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 3102 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 3103 3104 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of this subsection. 3105

3106 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 3107 3108 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 3109 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 3110 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 3111 3112 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 3113 bonds.

(10) The bonds authorized under this section may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon H. B. 1674 PAGE 116 3120 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 3121 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 3122 majority of its members.

3123 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)3124 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 3125 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 3126 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 3127 3128 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 3129 3130 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

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

3138 (13)All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 3139 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 3140 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 3141 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 3142 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 3143 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 3144 3145 of securing the deposit of public funds.

3146 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 3147 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 3148 Mississippi.

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

3152 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)3153 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 3154 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 3155 3156 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 3157 3158 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 3159 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 3160 3161 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 3162 thereof.

3163 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 3164 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 3165 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 3166 any existing law of this state.

3167 **SECTION 14.** (1) As used in this section, the following 3168 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 3169 clearly requires otherwise:

3170 (a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date3171 of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated

3172 initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon 3173 from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, 3174 compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the 3175 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 3176 maturity.

3177 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi. 3178 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C) 3179 (2) A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) 3180 Wesson Police Station Construction Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 3181 3182 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 3183 3184 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 3185 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 3186 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist the Town of Wesson, Mississippi, in paying costs associated with the construction, furnishing and equipping of a new police station.

(b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph
(a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has
certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described
in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed,
abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts
H. B. 1674 PAGE 119 3198 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 3199 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 3200 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 3201 directed by the commission.

3202 (3) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (a) 3203 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 3204 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 3205 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 3206 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 3207 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 3208 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 3209 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 3210 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 3211 3212 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 3213 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 3214 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 3215 3216 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 3217 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 3218 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 3219 3220 this section after July 1, 2023.

3221 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into 3222 the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall 3223 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in H. B. 1674

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3224 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 3225 bonds.

3226 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (4)3227 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 3228 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 3229 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 3230 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 3231 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 3232 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 3233 3234 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 3235 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 3236 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 3237 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 3238 commission.

3239 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 3240 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 3241 3242 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 3243 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 3244 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 3245 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 3246 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 3247 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 3248 3249 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds

and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

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

3263 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 3264 3265 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 3266 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 3267 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 3268 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 3269 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 3270 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 3271 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 3272 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 3273 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 3274 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 3275 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best

3276 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 3277 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

3278 If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice 3279 of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than 3280 ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published 3281 in one or more newspapers published or having a general 3282 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the 3283 commission.

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

3289 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8) 3290 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 3291 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 3292 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 3293 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 3294 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 3295 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 3296 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 3297 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 3298 this subsection.

3299 (9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 3300 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 3301 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2)

of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds.

3307 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 3308 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 3309 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 3310 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 3311 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 3312 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 3313 3314 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority of its members. 3315

The bonds authorized under the authority of this 3316 (11)3317 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 3318 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 3319 3320 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 3321 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 3322 3323 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

(12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under

this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and interest thereon.

3332 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 3333 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 3334 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 3335 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 3336 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 3337 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 3338 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose of securing the deposit of public funds. 3339

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

3343 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 3344 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 3345 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

3346 (16)The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 3347 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 3348 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 3349 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 3350 3351 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 3352 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 3353 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the

3354 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 3355 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 3356 thereof.

3357 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 3358 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 3359 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 3360 any existing law of this state.

3361 SECTION 15. (1) As used in this section, the following 3362 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 3363 clearly requires otherwise:

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

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

3372 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C) 3373 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) 3374 Department of Public Safety Improvements Fund" is created within 3375 the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 3376 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 3377 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 3378

3379 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 3380 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to pay the costs of construction, furnishing and equipping of a new Highway Safety Patrol Substation in Starkville, Mississippi.

3386 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 3387 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 3388 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 3389 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 3390 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 3391 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 3392 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 3393 3394 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 3395 directed by the commission.

3396 The Department of Finance and Administration, (C) 3397 acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 3398 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 3399 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 3400 expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The 3401 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 3402 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 3403 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 3404 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants H. B. 1674 PAGE 127

3405 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 3406 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee. 3407 The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (3)(a) may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 3408 3409 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 3410 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 3411 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 3412 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 3413 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 3414 3415 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 3416 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 3417 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 3418 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 3419 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 3420 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 3421 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 3422 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 3423 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Six Million 3424 Dollars (\$6,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this 3425 section after July 1, 2023.

3426 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into 3427 the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall 3428 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in 3429 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 3430 bonds.

3431 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 3432 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 3433 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 3434 3435 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 3436 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 3437 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 3438 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 3439 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 3440 3441 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 3442 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 3443 commission.

3444 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (5)3445 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 3446 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 3447 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 3448 3449 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 3450 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 3451 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 3452 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 3453 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 3454 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 3455 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 3456 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially

3457 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 3458 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 3459 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 3460 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 3461 the State of Mississippi.

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

3468 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)3469 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 3470 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 3471 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 3472 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 3473 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 3474 3475 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 3476 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 3477 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 3478 3479 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 3480 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 3481 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually. 3482

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one (1) time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

3494 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8)3495 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 3496 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 3497 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 3498 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 3499 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 3500 3501 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 3502 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 3503 this subsection.

(9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and

3509 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 3510 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 3511 bonds.

3512 The bonds authorized under this section may be issued (10)3513 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 3514 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this section. Any 3515 3516 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 3517 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 3518 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 3519 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 3520 majority of its members.

3521 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)3522 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 3523 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 3524 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 3525 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 3526 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 3527 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 3528 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

(12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be

3535 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 3536 interest thereon.

3537 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 3538 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 3539 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 3540 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 3541 3542 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 3543 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 3544 of securing the deposit of public funds.

3545 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 3546 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 3547 Mississippi.

3548 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 3549 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 3550 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

3551 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)3552 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 3553 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 3554 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 3555 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 3556 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 3557 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 3558 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 3559 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time

3560 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 3561 thereof.

3562 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 3563 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 3564 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 3565 any existing law of this state.

3566 **SECTION 16.** (1) As used in this section, the following 3567 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 3568 clearly requires otherwise:

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

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

3577 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

3578 (2)(i) A special fund, to be designated as the "2019 (a) 3579 Gunter Road Extension Fund," is created within the State Treasury. 3580 The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate 3581 and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the 3582 Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a state. 3583 fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund 3584 3585 shall be deposited into such fund.

3586 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be
3587 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and
3588 Administration, to assist Rankin County, Mississippi, in paying
3589 the costs related to the extension of Gunter Road.

3590 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 3591 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 3592 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 3593 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 3594 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 3595 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 3596 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 3597 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 3598 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission. 3599

The commission, at one time, or from time to time, 3600 (3)(a) 3601 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 3602 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 3603 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 3604 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 3605 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 3606 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 3607 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 3608 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 3609 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in its discretion, may act as issuing agent, prescribe the form of 3610 3611 the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, H. B. 1674

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advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under this section shall not exceed One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this section after July 1, 2023.

3619 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into 3620 the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall 3621 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in 3622 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 3623 bonds.

3624 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 3625 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 3626 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 3627 3628 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 3629 3630 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 3631 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 3632 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 3633 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 3634 3635 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 3636 commission.

3637 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 3638 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 3639 attested by the secretary of the commission. 3640 The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 3641 3642 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 3643 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 3644 3645 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 3646 3647 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 3648 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 3649 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 3650 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 3651 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 3652 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 3653 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 3654 the State of Mississippi.

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

3661 (7) The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds 3662 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds,

3663 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 3664 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 3665 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 3666 3667 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 3668 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 3669 3670 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 3671 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 3672 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 3673 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 3674 3675 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

3687 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section3688 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the

3689 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 3690 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 3691 3692 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 3693 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 3694 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 3695 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 3696 this subsection.

3697 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 3698 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 3699 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 3700 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 3701 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 3702 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 3703 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 3704 bonds.

3705 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 3706 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 3707 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 3708 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 3709 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 3710 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 3711 3712 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority of its members. 3713

3714 (11)The bonds authorized under the authority of this 3715 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 3716 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 3717 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 3718 3719 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 3720 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 3721

3722 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 3723 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 3724 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 3725 3726 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be 3727 3728 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 3729 interest thereon.

3730 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 3731 3732 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 3733 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 3734 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 3735 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 3736 of securing the deposit of public funds. 3737

3738 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 3739 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 3740 Mississippi.

3741 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 3742 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 3743 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

3744 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)3745 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 3746 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 3747 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 3748 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 3749 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 3750 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 3751 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 3752 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 3753 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 3754 thereof.

3755 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 3756 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 3757 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 3758 any existing law of this state.

3759 **SECTION 17.** (1) As used in this section, the following 3760 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 3761 clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any dateof computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated

initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same maturity.

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

"State" means the State of Mississippi.

3771 (2) A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) 3772 Smith County Site Development Fund," is created within the State 3773 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as 3774 a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 3775 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at 3776 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General 3777 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 3778 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist Smith County, Mississippi, in paying costs associated site development for an economic development project in the county.

(b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph
(a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has
certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described
in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed,
abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts
H. B. 1674 PAGE 142 3790 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 3791 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 3792 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 3793 directed by the commission.

3794 (3) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (a) 3795 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 3796 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 3797 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 3798 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 3799 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 3800 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 3801 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 3802 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 3803 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 3804 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 3805 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 3806 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 3807 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 3808 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 3809 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 3810 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 3811 3812 this section after July 1, 2023.

3813 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into 3814 the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall 3815 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in H. B. 1674

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3816 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 3817 bonds.

The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 3818 (4)under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 3819 3820 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 3821 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 3822 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 3823 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 3824 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 3825 3826 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 3827 3828 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 3829 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 3830 commission.

3831 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 3832 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 3833 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 3834 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 3835 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 3836 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 3837 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 3838 3839 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 3840 3841 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds

and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

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

3855 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 3856 3857 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 3858 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 3859 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 3860 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 3861 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 3862 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 3863 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 3864 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 3865 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 3866 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 3867 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best

3868 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 3869 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

3870 If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice 3871 of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than 3872 ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published 3873 in one or more newspapers published or having a general 3874 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the 3875 commission.

3876 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 3877 this section, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State 3878 of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the 3879 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 3880 dates named therein.

The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 3881 (8) 3882 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 3883 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 3884 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 3885 3886 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 3887 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 3888 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 3889 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 3890 this subsection.

3891 (9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 3892 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 3893 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2)

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3899 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 3900 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 3901 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 3902 things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 3903 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 3904 3905 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 3906 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 3907 majority of its members.

3908 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)3909 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 3910 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 3911 3912 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 3913 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 3914 3915 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

3916 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 3917 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 3918 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 3919 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under

3920 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 3921 performance of all duties required by this section to be 3922 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 3923 interest thereon.

3924 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 3925 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 3926 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 3927 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 3928 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 3929 3930 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 3931 of securing the deposit of public funds.

3932 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 3933 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 3934 Mississippi.

3935 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 3936 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 3937 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

3938 (16)The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 3939 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 3940 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 3941 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 3942 3943 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 3944 3945 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the

3946 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 3947 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 3948 thereof.

3949 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 3950 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 3951 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 3952 any existing law of this state.

3953 **SECTION 18.** (1) As used in this section, the following 3954 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 3955 clearly requires otherwise:

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

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

3964 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

3965 (2)A special fund, to be designated as the "2019 (a) (i) 3966 Northeast Mississippi Regional Wastewater Treatment Project Fund," 3967 is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, 3968 3969 separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended 3970 amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall 3971 not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or H. B. 1674

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3972 investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into 3973 such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist Lee County, Mississippi, in paying costs associated with designing, constructing, developing, equipping and implementing a regional wastewater treatment center and related facilities, systems and infrastructure.

3980 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 3981 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 3982 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 3983 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 3984 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 3985 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 3986 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 3987 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 3988 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 3989 directed by the commission.

3990 (3) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (a) 3991 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 3992 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 3993 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 3994 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 3995 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 3996 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 3997 H. B. 1674

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3998 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 3999 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 4000 in its discretion, may act as issuing agent, prescribe the form of 4001 the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, 4002 advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, 4003 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and do any and 4004 all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued 4005 4006 under this section shall not exceed Four Million Dollars 4007 (\$4,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this section after July 1, 2023. 4008

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

4014 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (4) under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 4015 4016 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 4017 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 4018 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 4019 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 4020 4021 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 4022 4023 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall H. B. 1674 PAGE 151

4024 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 4025 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 4026 commission.

4027 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (5)4028 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 4029 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 4030 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 4031 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 4032 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 4033 4034 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 4035 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 4036 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 4037 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 4038 4039 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 4040 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 4041 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 4042 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 4043 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 4044 the State of Mississippi.

4045 (6) All bonds and interest coupons issued under the
4046 provisions of this section have all the qualities and incidents of
4047 negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform
4048 Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this

4049 section, the commission shall not be required to and need not 4050 comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

4051 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)4052 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 4053 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 4054 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 4055 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 4056 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 4057 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 4058 4059 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 4060 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 4061 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 4062 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 4063 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 4064 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 4065 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of this section, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the H. B. 1674 PAGE 153 4075 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 4076 dates named therein.

4077 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 4078 4079 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 4080 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 4081 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 4082 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 4083 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 4084 4085 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of this subsection. 4086

4087 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 4088 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 4089 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 4090 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 4091 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 4092 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 4093 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 4094 bonds.

(10) The bonds authorized under this section may be issued
without any other proceedings or the happening of any other
conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and
things which are specified or required by this section. Any
resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the
provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon
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4101 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 4102 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 4103 majority of its members.

4104 (11)The bonds authorized under the authority of this 4105 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 4106 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 4107 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 4108 4109 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 4110 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 4111 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

4112 Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this (12)4113 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 4114 4115 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 4116 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 4117 performance of all duties required by this section to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 4118 4119 interest thereon.

(13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state

4126 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 4127 of securing the deposit of public funds.

4128 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 4129 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 4130 Mississippi.

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

4134 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)4135 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 4136 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 4137 4138 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 4139 4140 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 4141 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 4142 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 4143 4144 thereof.

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

4149 **SECTION 19.** (1) As used in this section, the following 4150 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 4151 clearly requires otherwise:

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

4159 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

4160 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

A special fund, to be designated the "2019 4161 (2)(a) (i) 4162 Scenic Rivers Development Alliance Improvements Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 4163 4164 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 4165 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 4166 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 4167 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 4168 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

4169 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 4170 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and 4171 Administration, to assist Scenic Rivers Development Alliance in 4172 paying costs associated with repair, renovation and rehabilitation 4173 of and upgrades and improvements to water supply and treatment systems, wastewater treatment systems, irrigation systems, arenas, 4174 4175 boat ramps, piers, hiking trails, parking areas and facilities, other infrastructure, equipment and/or buildings and related 4176 4177 facilities at the following:

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1. Ethel Vance Park in Amite County,

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2. Okhissa Lake in Franklin County,

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4183 Bridge Boat Ramp in Walthall County, Mississippi; and

4184 4. Clarks Creek Trail, Lake Mary Boat Ramp 4185 and Wilkinson County Park, in Wilkinson County, Mississippi.

4186 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 4187 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 4188 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 4189 4190 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 4191 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 4192 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 4193 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 4194 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 4195 directed by the commission.

4196 (3) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (a) 4197 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 4198 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 4199 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 4200 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 4201 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 4202 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 4203 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department

4204 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 4205 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 4206 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 4207 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 4208 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 4209 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 4210 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 4211 4212 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00). No bonds shall be issued 4213 4214 under this section after July 1, 2023.

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

4220 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (4) under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 4221 4222 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 4223 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 4224 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 4225 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 4226 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 4227 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 4228 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 4229 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall H. B. 1674

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4230 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 4231 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 4232 commission.

4233 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (5)4234 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 4235 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 4236 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 4237 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 4238 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 4239 4240 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 4241 4242 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 4243 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 4244 4245 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 4246 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 4247 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 4248 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 4249 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 4250 the State of Mississippi.

(6) All bonds and interest coupons issued under the
provisions of this section have all the qualities and incidents of
negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform
Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this

4255 section, the commission shall not be required to and need not 4256 comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

4257 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 4258 4259 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 4260 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 4261 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 4262 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 4263 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 4264 4265 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 4266 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 4267 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 4268 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 4269 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 4270 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 4271 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one (1) time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of this section, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the H. B. 1674 PAGE 161 4281 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 4282 dates named therein.

4283 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 4284 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 4285 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 4286 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 4287 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 4288 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 4289 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 4290 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 4291 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of this subsection. 4292

Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 4293 (9) 4294 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 4295 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 4296 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 4297 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 4298 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 4299 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 4300 bonds.

(10) The bonds authorized under this section may be issued
without any other proceedings or the happening of any other
conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and
things which are specified or required by this section. Any
resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the
provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon
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4307 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 4308 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 4309 majority of its members.

4310 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)4311 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 4312 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 4313 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 4314 4315 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 4316 4317 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

4318 Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this (12)4319 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 4320 4321 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 4322 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 4323 performance of all duties required by this section to be 4324 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 4325 interest thereon.

(13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state

4332 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 4333 of securing the deposit of public funds.

4334 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 4335 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 4336 Mississippi.

4337 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section
4338 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including
4339 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

4340 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)4341 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 4342 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 4343 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 4344 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 4345 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 4346 4347 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 4348 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 4349 4350 thereof.

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

4355 **SECTION 20.** (1) As used in this section, the following 4356 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 4357 clearly requires otherwise:

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

4365 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

4366 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

4367 (2)(a) (i) A special fund, to be designated the "2019 4368 Covington County Industrial Park Improvements Fund," is created 4369 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 4370 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 4371 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 4372 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 4373 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 4374 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

4375 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 4376 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and 4377 Administration, to assist Covington County, Mississippi, in paying 4378 costs associated with construction, development and upgrades of 4379 and improvements to facilities, property and infrastructure within the county's industrial park, including the repayment of debt 4380 4381 incurred by the county for such purposes before the effective date 4382 of this act.

4383 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 4384 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 4385 4386 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 4387 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 4388 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 4389 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 4390 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 4391 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 4392 directed by the commission.

4393 (3)(a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, 4394 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 4395 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 4396 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 4397 4398 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 4399 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 4400 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 4401 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 4402 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 4403 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 4404 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 4405 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 4406 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 4407 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 4408

4409 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Two Hundred Fifty 4410 Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 4411 this section after July 1, 2023.

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

4417 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (4) 4418 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 4419 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 4420 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 4421 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 4422 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 4423 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 4424 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 4425 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 4426 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 4427 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 4428 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 4429 commission.

(5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by
the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and
the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto,
attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest
coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by
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4435 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 4436 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 4437 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 4438 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 4439 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 4440 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 4441 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 4442 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 4443 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 4444 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 4445 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 4446 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 4447 the State of Mississippi.

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

4454 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)4455 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 4456 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 4457 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 4458 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 4459 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 4460 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and H. B. 1674 PAGE 168

4461 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 4462 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 4463 4464 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 4465 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 4466 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 4467 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 4468 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one (1) time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

4480 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8)4481 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 4482 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 4483 4484 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 4485 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 4486 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State H. B. 1674

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4487 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 4488 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 4489 this subsection.

Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 4490 (9) 4491 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 4492 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 4493 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 4494 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 4495 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 4496 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 4497 bonds.

4498 The bonds authorized under this section may be issued (10)4499 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 4500 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 4501 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 4502 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 4503 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 4504 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 4505 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 4506 majority of its members.

(11) The bonds authorized under the authority of this
section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First
Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and
with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31,
Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal,
school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required
H. B. 1674 PAGE 170 4513 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 4514 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 4515 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 4516 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 4517 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other

4518 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 4519 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 4520 performance of all duties required by this section to be 4521 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 4522 interest thereon.

4523 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 4524 4525 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 4526 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 4527 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 4528 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 4529 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 4530 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

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

4537 (16) The State Treasurer is authorized, without further4538 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and

4539 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 4540 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 4541 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 4542 4543 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 4544 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 4545 4546 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 4547 thereof.

4548 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 4549 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 4550 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 4551 any existing law of this state.

4552 **SECTION 21.** (1) As used in this section, the following 4553 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 4554 clearly requires otherwise:

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

4562 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.4563 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

4564 (2)(a) (i) A special fund, to be designated the "2019 4565 Recreational Facilities Construction Fund," is created within the 4566 State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 4567 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 4568 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 4569 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 4570 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 4571 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist the Town of Sumrall, Mississippi, in paying costs associated with constructing, furnishing and equipping recreational facilities on Highway 42.

4577 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 4578 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 4579 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 4580 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 4581 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 4582 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 4583 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 4584 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 4585 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 4586 directed by the commission.

(3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time,
may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general
obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for

4590 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 4591 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 4592 4593 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 4594 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 4595 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 4596 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 4597 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 4598 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 4599 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 4600 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 4601 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 4602 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 4603 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Two Million 4604 Dollars (\$2,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this 4605 section after July 1, 2023.

4606 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into
4607 the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall
4608 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in
4609 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such
4610 bonds.

(4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101,

4616 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 4617 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 4618 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 4619 4620 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 4621 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 4622 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 4623 commission.

4624 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (5) 4625 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 4626 attested by the secretary of the commission. 4627 The interest 4628 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 4629 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 4630 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 4631 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 4632 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 4633 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 4634 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 4635 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 4636 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 4637 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 4638 4639 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 4640 4641 the State of Mississippi.

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

4648 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)4649 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 4650 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 4651 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 4652 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 4653 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 4654 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 4655 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 4656 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 4657 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 4658 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 4659 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 4660 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 4661 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 4662 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general

4667 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the 4668 commission.

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

4674 (8)The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 4675 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 4676 4677 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 4678 4679 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 4680 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 4681 4682 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 4683 this subsection.

4684 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 4685 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 4686 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 4687 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 4688 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 4689 4690 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds. 4691

4692 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 4693 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 4694 4695 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 4696 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 4697 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 4698 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 4699 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 4700 majority of its members.

4701 (11)The bonds authorized under the authority of this 4702 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 4703 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 4704 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 4705 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 4706 4707 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 4708 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

4709 Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this (12)4710 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 4711 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 4712 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 4713 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be 4714 4715 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and interest thereon. 4716

4717 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 4718 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 4719 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 4720 4721 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 4722 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 4723 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 4724 of securing the deposit of public funds.

4725 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 4726 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 4727 Mississippi.

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

4731 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)4732 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 4733 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 4734 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 4735 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 4736 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 4737 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 4738 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 4739 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 4740 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates thereof. 4741

4742 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 4743 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 4744 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 4745 any existing law of this state.

4746 **SECTION 22.** (1) As used in this section, the following 4747 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 4748 clearly requires otherwise:

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

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

4757 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

4758 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 St. (a) (i) Francis Drive Bridge Repair Fund," is created within the State 4759 4760 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as 4761 a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 4762 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at 4763 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General 4764 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 4765 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

4766 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 4767 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and H. B. 1674 PAGE 180 4768 Administration, to assist the City of Philadelphia, Mississippi, 4769 in paying the costs associated with the repair of a bridge on St. 4770 Francis Drive.

4771 (b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 4772 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 4773 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 4774 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 4775 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 4776 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 4777 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 4778 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 4779 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 4780 directed by the commission.

4781 The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (3)(a) 4782 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 4783 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 4784 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 4785 4786 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 4787 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 4788 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 4789 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 4790 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 4791 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 4792 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 4793 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of H. B. 1674

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4794 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 4795 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 4796 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 4797 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Five Hundred 4798 Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 4799 this section after July 1, 2023.

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

4805 (4)The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 4806 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 4807 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 4808 4809 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 4810 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 4811 4812 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 4813 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 4814 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 4815 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 4816 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 4817 commission.

4818 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 4819 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and

4820 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 4821 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 4822 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 4823 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 4824 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 4825 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 4826 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 4827 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 4828 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 4829 4830 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 4831 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 4832 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 4833 However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, bear. 4834 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 4835 the State of Mississippi.

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

(7) The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and

4846 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 4847 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 4848 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 4849 4850 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 4851 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 4852 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 4853 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 4854 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 4855 4856 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

4868 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section
4869 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the
4870 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of
4871 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by
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4872 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 4873 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 4874 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 4875 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 4876 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 4877 this subsection.

4878 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 4879 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 4880 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 4881 4882 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 4883 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 4884 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 4885 bonds.

4886 The bonds authorized under this section may be issued (10)4887 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 4888 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this section. Any 4889 4890 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 4891 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 4892 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 4893 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 4894 majority of its members.

4895 (11) The bonds authorized under the authority of this 4896 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 4897 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and H. B. 1674 PAGE 185 4898 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 4899 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 4900 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 4901 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 4902 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

4903 (12)Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 4904 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 4905 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 4906 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 4907 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 4908 performance of all duties required by this section to be 4909 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 4910 interest thereon.

4911 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)4912 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 4913 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 4914 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 4915 4916 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 4917 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 4918 of securing the deposit of public funds.

4919 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 4920 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 4921 Mississippi.

4922 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 4923 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 4924 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

4925 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)4926 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 4927 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 4928 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 4929 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 4930 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 4931 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 4932 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 4933 4934 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 4935 thereof.

4936 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 4937 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 4938 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 4939 any existing law of this state.

4940 **SECTION 23.** (1) As used in this section, the following 4941 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 4942 clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the

4948 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 4949 maturity.

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

4951 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C)4952 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) 4953 Laurel Drainage Project Fund, " is created within the State 4954 Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as 4955 a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General 4956 Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at 4957 the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General 4958 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 4959 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist the City of Laurel, Mississippi, in paying the costs associated with the improvement of drainage and the correction of other water retention problems.

4965 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 4966 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 4967 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 4968 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 4969 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 4970 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 4971 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 4972

4973 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 4974 directed by the commission.

4975 The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (3)(a) 4976 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 4977 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 4978 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 4979 4980 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 4981 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 4982 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 4983 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 4984 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 4985 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 4986 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 4987 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 4988 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 4989 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 4990 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 4991 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed One Million 4992 Dollars (\$1,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this 4993 section after July 1, 2023.

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

4999 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 5000 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 5001 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 5002 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 5003 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 5004 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 5005 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 5006 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 5007 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 5008 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 5009 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 5010 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 5011 commission.

5012 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (5)5013 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 5014 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 5015 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 5016 5017 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 5018 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 5019 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 5020 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 5021 5022 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 5023 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 5024 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially

5025 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 5026 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 5027 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 5028 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 5029 the State of Mississippi.

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

5036 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)5037 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 5038 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 5039 5040 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 5041 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 5042 5043 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 5044 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 5045 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 5046 5047 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 5048 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 5049 5050 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

5057 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 5058 this section, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State 5059 of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the 5060 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 5061 dates named therein.

5062 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8)5063 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 5064 5065 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 5066 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 5067 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 5068 5069 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 5070 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 5071 this subsection.

(9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and

5077 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 5078 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 5079 bonds.

5080 The bonds authorized under this section may be issued (10)5081 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 5082 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 5083 things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 5084 5085 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 5086 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 5087 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 5088 majority of its members.

5089 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)5090 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 5091 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 5092 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 5093 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 5094 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 5095 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 5096 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

(12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be

5103 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 5104 interest thereon.

(13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 5105 5106 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 5107 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 5108 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 5109 5110 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 5111 5112 of securing the deposit of public funds.

5113 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 5114 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 5115 Mississippi.

5116 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 5117 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 5118 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

5119 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)5120 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 5121 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 5122 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 5123 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 5124 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 5125 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 5126 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 5127 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time

5128 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 5129 thereof.

5130 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 5131 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 5132 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 5133 any existing law of this state.

5134 SECTION 24. (1) As used in this section, the following 5135 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 5136 clearly requires otherwise:

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

5144 "State" means the State of Mississippi. (b) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 5145 (C) 5146 (2)(i) A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) 5147 Perry County-Leonard Clark Road Improvements Fund" is created 5148 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 5149 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 5150 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 5151 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 5152 5153 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist Perry County, Mississippi, in paying costs associated with the repair, rehabilitation, resurfacing, construction and reconstruction of Leonard Clark Road.

5159 (b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 5160 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 5161 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 5162 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 5163 5164 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 5165 5166 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 5167 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 5168 directed by the commission.

5169 (3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 5170 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 5171 5172 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 5173 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 5174 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 5175 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 5176 5177 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 5178 5179 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the

5180 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 5181 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 5182 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 5183 5184 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 5185 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Six Hundred 5186 Thousand Dollars (\$600,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 5187 this section after July 1, 2023.

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

The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 5193 (4)5194 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 5195 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 5196 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 5197 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 5198 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 5199 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 5200 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 5201 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 5202 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 5203 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 5204 commission. 5205

5206 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 5207 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 5208 5209 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 5210 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 5211 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 5212 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 5213 5214 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 5215 5216 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 5217 5218 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 5219 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 5220 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 5221 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 5222 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 5223 the State of Mississippi.

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

5230 (7) The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds 5231 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds,

5232 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 5233 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 5234 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 5235 5236 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 5237 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 5238 5239 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 5240 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 5241 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 5242 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 5243 5244 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one (1) time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

5251 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 5252 this section, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State 5253 of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the 5254 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 5255 dates named therein.

5256 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 5257 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the

5258 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 5259 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 5260 5261 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 5262 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 5263 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 5264 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 5265 this subsection.

5266 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 5267 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 5268 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 5269 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 5270 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 5271 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 5272 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 5273 bonds.

5274 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 5275 5276 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 5277 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 5278 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 5279 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 5280 5281 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 5282 majority of its members.

5283 (11)The bonds authorized under the authority of this 5284 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 5285 5286 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 5287 5288 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 5289 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 5290

5291 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 5292 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 5293 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 5294 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 5295 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 5296 performance of all duties required by this section to be 5297 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 5298 interest thereon.

5299 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 5300 5301 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 5302 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 5303 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 5304 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 5305 of securing the deposit of public funds. 5306

5307 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 5308 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 5309 Mississippi.

5310 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 5311 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 5312 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 5313 (16)5314 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 5315 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 5316 5317 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 5318 5319 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 5320 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 5321 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 5322 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 5323 thereof.

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

5328 **SECTION 25.** (1) As used in this section, the following 5329 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 5330 clearly requires otherwise:

5331 (a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date 5332 of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated

5333 initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon 5334 from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, 5335 compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the 5336 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 5337 maturity.

5338 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi. 5339 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C) A special fund, to be designated the "2019 5340 (2) (a) (i) 5341 Harrison County Veterans Affairs Hospital Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 5342 5343 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 5344 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 5345 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 5346 5347 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be
disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and
Administration, to provide funds for the Mississippi Veterans
Affairs Board to use as matching funds for a federal project to
build a new veterans' hospital in Harrison County, Mississippi.

(b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph
(a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has
certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described
in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed,
abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts
H. B. 1674 PAGE 203 5359 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 5360 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 5361 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 5362 directed by the commission.

5363 (3) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (a) 5364 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 5365 5366 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 5367 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 5368 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 5369 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 5370 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 5371 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 5372 5373 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 5374 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 5375 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 5376 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 5377 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 5378 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 5379 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Sixteen Million Dollars (\$16,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this 5380 5381 section after July 1, 2023.

(b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into
the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall
be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in
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5385 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 5386 bonds.

The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 5387 (4)under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 5388 5389 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 5390 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 5391 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 5392 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 5393 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 5394 5395 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 5396 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 5397 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 5398 5399 commission.

5400 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 5401 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 5402 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 5403 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 5404 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 5405 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 5406 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 5407 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 5408 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 5409 5410 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds

and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

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

5424 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 5425 5426 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 5427 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 5428 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 5429 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 5430 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 5431 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 5432 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 5433 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 5434 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 5435 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 5436 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best

5437 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 5438 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

5450 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8) 5451 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 5452 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 5453 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 5454 5455 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 5456 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 5457 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 5458 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 5459 this subsection.

5460 (9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 5461 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 5462 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2)

5463 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 5464 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 5465 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 5466 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 5467 bonds.

5468 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 5469 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 5470 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 5471 things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 5472 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 5473 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 5474 5475 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 5476 majority of its members.

The bonds authorized under the authority of this 5477 (11)5478 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 5479 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 5480 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 5481 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 5482 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 5483 5484 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

5485 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 5486 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 5487 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 5488 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under

5489 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 5490 performance of all duties required by this section to be 5491 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 5492 interest thereon.

5493 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 5494 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 5495 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 5496 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 5497 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 5498 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 5499 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 5500 of securing the deposit of public funds.

5501 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 5502 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 5503 Mississippi.

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

5507 (16)The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 5508 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 5509 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 5510 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 5511 5512 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 5513 5514 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the

5515 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 5516 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 5517 thereof.

5518 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 5519 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 5520 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 5521 any existing law of this state.

5522 SECTION 26. (1) As used in this section, the following 5523 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 5524 clearly requires otherwise:

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

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

5533 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C) 5534 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) 5535 I.T. Montgomery House Repair and Renovation Fund," is created 5536 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 5537 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 5538 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 5539

5540 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 5541 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist the Town of Mound Bayou, Mississippi, in paying the costs associated with the repair and renovation of the I.T. Montgomery House, which is on the National Register of Historic Places.

5548 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 5549 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 5550 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 5551 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 5552 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 5553 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 5554 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 5555 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 5556 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 5557 directed by the commission.

5558 (3) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (a) 5559 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 5560 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 5561 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 5562 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 5563 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 5564 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 5565

5566 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 5567 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 5568 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 5569 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 5570 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 5571 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 5572 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 5573 5574 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 5575 5576 this section after July 1, 2023.

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

5582 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (4) under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 5583 5584 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 5585 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 5586 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 5587 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 5588 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 5589 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 5590 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 5591 H. B. 1674

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5592 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 5593 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 5594 commission.

5595 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (5)5596 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 5597 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. 5598 The interest 5599 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 5600 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 5601 5602 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 5603 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 5604 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 5605 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 5606 5607 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 5608 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 5609 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 5610 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 5611 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 5612 the State of Mississippi.

(6) All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of this section have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this

5617 section, the commission shall not be required to and need not 5618 comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds 5619 (7)authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 5620 5621 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 5622 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 5623 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 5624 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 5625 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 5626 5627 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 5628 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 5629 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 5630 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 5631 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 5632 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 5633 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

5640 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 5641 this section, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State 5642 of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the H. B. 1674 PAGE 214 5643 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 5644 dates named therein.

(8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 5645 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 5646 5647 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 5648 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 5649 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 5650 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 5651 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 5652 5653 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of this subsection. 5654

5655 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 5656 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 5657 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 5658 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 5659 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 5660 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 5661 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 5662 bonds.

(10) The bonds authorized under this section may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon H. B. 1674 PAGE 215 5669 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 5670 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 5671 majority of its members.

5672 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)5673 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 5674 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 5675 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 5676 5677 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 5678 5679 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

5680 Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this (12)5681 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 5682 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 5683 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 5684 5685 performance of all duties required by this section to be 5686 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 5687 interest thereon.

(13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state

5694 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 5695 of securing the deposit of public funds.

5696 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 5697 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 5698 Mississippi.

5699 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 5700 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 5701 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

5702 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)5703 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 5704 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 5705 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 5706 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 5707 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 5708 5709 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 5710 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 5711 5712 thereof.

5713 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 5714 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 5715 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 5716 any existing law of this state.

5717 **SECTION 27.** (1) As used in this section, the following 5718 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 5719 clearly requires otherwise:

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

5727 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

5728 (c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

A special fund, to be designated the "2019 5729 (2)(a) (i) 5730 Byron Street Upgrade and Fannie Lou Hamer Memorial Garden Access 5731 Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be 5732 maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, 5733 separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended 5734 amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall 5735 not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or 5736 investment earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into 5737 such fund.

5738 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 5739 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and 5740 Administration, to assist in the upgrade of Byron Street in 5741 Ruleville, Mississippi, to provide enhanced tour bus access to the 5742 Fannie Lou Hamer Memorial Garden.

5743 (b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 5744 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 5745 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has

5746 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 5747 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 5748 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 5749 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 5750 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 5751 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 5752 directed by the commission.

5753 (3) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (a) 5754 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 5755 5756 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 5757 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 5758 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 5759 5760 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 5761 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 5762 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 5763 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 5764 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 5765 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 5766 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 5767 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 5768 5769 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 5770 5771 this section after July 1, 2023.

5772 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into 5773 the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall 5774 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in 5775 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 5776 bonds.

5777 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 5778 5779 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 5780 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 5781 5782 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 5783 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 5784 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 5785 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 5786 5787 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 5788 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 5789 commission.

5790 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 5791 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 5792 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 5793 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 5794 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 5795 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 5796 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 5797 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who н. в. 1674

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5798 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 5799 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 5800 5801 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 5802 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 5803 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 5804 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 5805 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 5806 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 5807 the State of Mississippi.

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

5814 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 5815 5816 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 5817 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 5818 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 5819 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 5820 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 5821 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 5822 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 5823

derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

5835 The commission, when issuing any bonds under the authority of 5836 this section, may provide that bonds, at the option of the State 5837 of Mississippi, may be called in for payment and redemption at the 5838 call price named therein and accrued interest on such date or 5839 dates named therein.

5840 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8) are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 5841 5842 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 5843 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 5844 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 5845 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 5846 5847 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 5848 5849 this subsection.

5850 (9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 5851 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 5852 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 5853 5854 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 5855 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 5856 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 5857 bonds.

5858 The bonds authorized under this section may be issued (10)5859 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 5860 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this section. Any 5861 5862 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 5863 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 5864 5865 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 5866 majority of its members.

5867 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)5868 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 5869 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 5870 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 5871 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 5872 5873 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 5874

5875 (12)Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 5876 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 5877 5878 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 5879 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 5880 performance of all duties required by this section to be 5881 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 5882 interest thereon.

5883 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 5884 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 5885 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 5886 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 5887 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 5888 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 5889 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 5890 of securing the deposit of public funds.

5891 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 5892 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 5893 Mississippi.

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

5897 (16) The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 5898 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 5899 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 5900 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue

5901 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 5902 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 5903 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 5904 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 5905 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 5906 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 5907 thereof.

5908 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 5909 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 5910 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 5911 any existing law of this state.

5912 SECTION 28. (1) As used in this section, the following 5913 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 5914 clearly requires otherwise:

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

5922 "State" means the State of Mississippi. (b) 5923 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C)5924 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) Pascagoula Redevelopment Authority Infrastructure Improvements for 5925 Economic Development Fund," is created within the State Treasury. 5926 H. B. 1674

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5927 The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate 5928 and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the 5929 state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a 5930 fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any 5931 interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund 5932 shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist the Pascagoula Redevelopment Authority in paying costs associated with construction, repair, upgrades and other improvements to roads, bridges, water infrastructure, sewer infrastructure and other infrastructure for the support and promotion of economic development.

5940 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 5941 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 5942 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 5943 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 5944 5945 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 5946 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 5947 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 5948 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 5949 directed by the commission.

5950 (3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, 5951 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 5952 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for

5953 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 5954 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 5955 5956 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 5957 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 5958 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 5959 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 5960 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 5961 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 5962 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 5963 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 5964 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 5965 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 5966 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed One Million Five 5967 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00). No bonds shall be 5968 issued under this section after July 1, 2023.

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

(4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101,

5979 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 5980 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 5981 5982 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 5983 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 5984 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 5985 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 5986 commission.

5987 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (5) 5988 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 5989 5990 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 5991 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 5992 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 5993 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 5994 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 5995 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 5996 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 5997 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 5998 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 5999 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 6000 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 6001 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 6002 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 6003 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 6004 the State of Mississippi.

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

6011 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)6012 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 6013 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 6014 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 6015 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 6016 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 6017 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 6018 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 6019 6020 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 6021 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 6022 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 6023 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 6024 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 6025 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one (1) time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general

6030 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the 6031 commission.

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

6037 (8)The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 6038 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 6039 6040 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 6041 6042 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 6043 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 6044 6045 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 6046 this subsection.

6047 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 6048 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 6049 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 6050 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 6051 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 6052 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 6053 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 6054 bonds.

6055 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 6056 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 6057 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 6058 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 6059 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 6060 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 6061 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 6062 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 6063 majority of its members.

6064 (11)The bonds authorized under the authority of this 6065 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 6066 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 6067 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 6068 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 6069 6070 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 6071 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

6072 (12)Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 6073 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 6074 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 6075 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 6076 performance of all duties required by this section to be 6077 6078 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 6079 interest thereon.

6080 (13)All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 6081 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 6082 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 6083 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 6084 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 6085 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 6086 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 6087 of securing the deposit of public funds.

6088 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 6089 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 6090 Mississippi.

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

6094 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)6095 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 6096 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 6097 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 6098 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 6099 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 6100 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 6101 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 6102 6103 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 6104 thereof.

6105 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 6106 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 6107 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 6108 any existing law of this state.

6109 **SECTION 29.** (1) As used in this section, the following 6110 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 6111 clearly requires otherwise:

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

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

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 6120 (C) 6121 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) DeSoto County Workforce Center Construction Fund," is created 6122 6123 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 6124 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart 6125 from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 6126 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 6127 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 6128 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

6129 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 6130 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and H. B. 1674 PAGE 233 Administration, to assist in paying costs associated with construction of a state-of-the-art consolidated workforce center, to be called the Northwest Mississippi Industry 4.0 Workforce Training Center, on the Northwest Community College DeSoto Center campus in Southaven, Mississippi.

6136 (b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 6137 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 6138 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 6139 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed or 6140 6141 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 6142 6143 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 6144 6145 directed by the commission.

6146 (3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, 6147 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 6148 6149 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 6150 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 6151 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 6152 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 6153 6154 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 6155 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 6156 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the H. B. 1674

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6157 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 6158 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 6159 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 6160 6161 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 6162 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Two Million Five 6163 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00). No bonds shall be 6164 issued under this section after July 1, 2023.

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

6170 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (4)6171 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 6172 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 6173 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 6174 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 6175 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 6176 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 6177 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 6178 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 6179 6180 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 6181 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 6182 commission.

6183 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 6184 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 6185 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 6186 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 6187 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 6188 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 6189 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 6190 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 6191 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 6192 6193 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 6194 6195 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 6196 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 6197 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 6198 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 6199 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 6200 the State of Mississippi.

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

6207 (7) The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds 6208 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds,

6209 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 6210 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 6211 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 6212 6213 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 6214 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 6215 6216 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 6217 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 6218 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 6219 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 6220 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 6221 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one (1) time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

(8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section
are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the
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6235 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 6236 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 6237 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 6238 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 6239 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 6240 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 6241 6242 this subsection.

6243 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 6244 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 6245 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 6246 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 6247 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 6248 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 6249 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 6250 bonds.

6251 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 6252 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 6253 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 6254 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 6255 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 6256 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 6257 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 6258 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 6259 majority of its members.

6260 (11)The bonds authorized under the authority of this 6261 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 6262 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 6263 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 6264 6265 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 6266 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 6267 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

6268 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 6269 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 6270 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 6271 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 6272 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 6273 performance of all duties required by this section to be performed 6274 in order to provide for the payment of bonds and interest thereon.

6275 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 6276 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 6277 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 6278 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 6279 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 6280 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 6281 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 6282 of securing the deposit of public funds.

6283 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 6284 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 6285 Mississippi.

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

6289 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)6290 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 6291 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 6292 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 6293 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 6294 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 6295 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 6296 6297 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 6298 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 6299 thereof.

6300 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 6301 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 6302 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 6303 any existing law of this state.

6304 **SECTION 30.** (1) As used in this section, the following 6305 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 6306 clearly requires otherwise:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date
of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated
initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon
from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate,
compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the

6312 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 6313 maturity.

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

6315 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C)6316 (2)A special fund, to be designated as the "2019 (a) (i) 6317 Greenville Higher Education Center and Mississippi Delta Community College Career Tech Buildings Construction Fund," is created 6318 6319 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 6320 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 6321 6322 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 6323 6324 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be
disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and
Administration, to assist in paying the costs of construction,
furnishing and equipping of two (2) career technical buildings,
one (1) at the Greenville Higher Education Center and one (1) at
Mississippi Delta Community College.

(b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph
(a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has
certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described
in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed,
abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts
remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt

6338 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 6339 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 6340 directed by the commission.

6341 (3)(a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, 6342 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 6343 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 6344 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 6345 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 6346 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 6347 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 6348 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 6349 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 6350 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 6351 in its discretion, may act as issuing agent, prescribe the form of 6352 the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, 6353 advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, 6354 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 6355 6356 issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued 6357 under this section shall not exceed Two Million Dollars 6358 (\$2,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this section 6359 after July 1, 2023.

(b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into
the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall
be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in

6363 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 6364 bonds.

6365 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (4)6366 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 6367 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 6368 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 6369 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 6370 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 6371 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 6372 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 6373 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 6374 6375 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 6376 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 6377 commission.

6378 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 6379 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 6380 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 6381 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 6382 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 6383 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 6384 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 6385 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 6386 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 6387 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 6388 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds

and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

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

6402 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 6403 6404 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 6405 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 6406 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 6407 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 6408 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 6409 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 6410 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 6411 6412 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 6413 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 6414

6415 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 6416 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

6428 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8) 6429 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 6430 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 6431 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 6432 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 6433 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 6434 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 6435 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 6436 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 6437 this subsection.

6438 (9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 6439 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 6440 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2)

6441 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 6442 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 6443 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 6444 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 6445 bonds.

6446 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 6447 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 6448 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 6449 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 6450 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 6451 6452 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 6453 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 6454 majority of its members.

6455 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)6456 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 6457 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 6458 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 6459 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 6460 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 6461 6462 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

6463 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 6464 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 6465 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 6466 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under

6467 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 6468 performance of all duties required by this section to be 6469 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 6470 interest thereon.

6471 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 6472 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 6473 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 6474 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 6475 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 6476 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 6477 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 6478 of securing the deposit of public funds.

6479 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and
6480 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of
6481 Mississippi.

6482 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section
6483 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including
6484 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

6485 (16)The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 6486 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 6487 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 6488 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 6489 6490 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 6491 6492 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the

6493 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 6494 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 6495 thereof.

6496 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 6497 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 6498 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 6499 any existing law of this state.

6500 **SECTION 31.** (1) As used in this section, the following 6501 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 6502 clearly requires otherwise:

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

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

6511 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C) 6512 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) 6513 First Christian Church Improvement Fund," is created within the 6514 State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 6515 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 6516 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 6517

6518 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 6519 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be
disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and
Administration, to assist the CREATE Foundation in paying costs
associated with repairs, renovations and upgrades at the First
Christian Church in Amory, Mississippi.

6525 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 6526 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 6527 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 6528 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 6529 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 6530 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 6531 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 6532 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 6533 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 6534 directed by the commission.

6535 (3)(a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, 6536 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 6537 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 6538 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 6539 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 6540 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 6541 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 6542 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 6543 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to H. B. 1674 PAGE 249

6544 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 6545 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 6546 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 6547 6548 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 6549 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 6550 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Two Hundred 6551 6552 Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 6553 this section after July 1, 2023.

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

6559 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 6560 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 6561 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 6562 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 6563 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 6564 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 6565 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 6566 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 6567 vears from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 6568 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 6569 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in

6570 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 6571 commission.

6572 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 6573 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 6574 6575 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 6576 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 6577 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 6578 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 6579 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 6580 6581 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 6582 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 6583 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 6584 6585 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 6586 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 6587 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 6588 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 6589 the State of Mississippi.

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

6596 (7)The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 6597 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 6598 6599 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 6600 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 6601 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 6602 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 6603 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 6604 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 6605 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 6606 6607 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 6608 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 6609 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 6610 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually. 6611 If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice

of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

6622 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 6623 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 6624 6625 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 6626 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 6627 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 6628 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 6629 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 6630 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 6631 this subsection.

6632 (9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 6633 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 6634 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 6635 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 6636 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 6637 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 6638 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 6639 bonds.

(10) The bonds authorized under this section may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be

6647 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 6648 majority of its members.

6649 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)6650 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 6651 6652 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 6653 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 6654 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 6655 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 6656

6657 (12)Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 6658 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 6659 6660 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 6661 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 6662 performance of all duties required by this section to be 6663 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 6664 interest thereon.

6665 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)6666 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 6667 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 6668 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 6669 6670 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 6671 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 6672 of securing the deposit of public funds.

6673 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 6674 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 6675 Mississippi.

6676 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section
6677 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including
6678 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

6679 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)6680 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 6681 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 6682 6683 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 6684 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 6685 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 6686 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 6687 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 6688 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 6689 thereof.

6690 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 6691 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 6692 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 6693 any existing law of this state.

6694 **SECTION 32.** (1) As used in this section, the following 6695 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 6696 clearly requires otherwise:

6697 (a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date 6698 of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated

6699 initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon 6700 from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, 6701 compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the 6702 approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same 6703 maturity.

6704 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi. 6705 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C) 6706 (2) A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) 6707 Interstate 55 Terry Exit Ramp Extension Fund," is created within 6708 the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 6709 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 6710 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 6711 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 6712 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 6713 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be
disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and
Administration, to assist in paying the costs associated with the
extension of the exit ramp on Interstate 55 South at Terry,
Mississippi.

(b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be
disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph
(a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has
certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described
in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed,
abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts
H. B. 1674 PAGE 256 6725 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 6726 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 6727 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 6728 directed by the commission.

6729 (3)The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (a) 6730 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 6731 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 6732 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 6733 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 6734 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 6735 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 6736 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 6737 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 6738 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 6739 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 6740 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 6741 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 6742 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 6743 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 6744 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 6745 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00). No bonds shall be 6746 6747 issued under this section after July 1, 2023.

(b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into
the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall
be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in

6751 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 6752 bonds.

6753 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (4)under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 6754 6755 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 6756 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 6757 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 6758 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 6759 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 6760 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 6761 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 6762 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 6763 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 6764 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 6765 commission.

6766 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 6767 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 6768 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 6769 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 6770 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 6771 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 6772 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 6773 6774 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 6775 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 6776 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds

and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

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

6790 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)6791 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 6792 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 6793 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 6794 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 6795 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 6796 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 6797 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 6798 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 6799 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 6800 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 6801 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 6802 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best

6803 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 6804 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

6816 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8) 6817 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 6818 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 6819 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 6820 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 6821 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 6822 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 6823 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 6824 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 6825 this subsection.

6826 (9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 6827 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 6828 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2)

6829 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 6830 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 6831 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 6832 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 6833 bonds.

6834 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 6835 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 6836 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 6837 things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 6838 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 6839 6840 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 6841 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 6842 majority of its members.

6843 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)6844 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 6845 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 6846 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 6847 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 6848 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 6849 6850 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

6851 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 6852 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 6853 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 6854 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under

6855 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 6856 performance of all duties required by this section to be 6857 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 6858 interest thereon.

6859 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)6860 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 6861 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 6862 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 6863 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 6864 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 6865 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 6866 of securing the deposit of public funds.

6867 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 6868 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 6869 Mississippi.

6870 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section
6871 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including
6872 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

6873 (16)The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 6874 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 6875 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 6876 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 6877 6878 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 6879 6880 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the

6881 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 6882 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 6883 thereof.

6884 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 6885 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 6886 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 6887 any existing law of this state.

6888 SECTION 33. (1) As used in this section, the following 6889 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 6890 clearly requires otherwise:

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

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission.

6900 (2)A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) 6901 Northeast Mississippi Community College Training Center 6902 Construction Fund," is created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate and 6903 6904 special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the 6905 Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a state. 6906 fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any H. B. 1674 PAGE 263

6907 interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund 6908 shall be deposited into such fund.

6909 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 6910 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and 6911 Administration, to assist Northeast Mississippi Community College 6912 in paying costs associated with the construction, furnishing and 6913 equipping of a training center.

6914 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 6915 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 6916 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 6917 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 6918 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 6919 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 6920 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 6921 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 6922 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 6923 directed by the commission.

6924 The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (3)(a) 6925 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 6926 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 6927 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 6928 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 6929 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 6930 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 6931 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 6932 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to H. B. 1674 PAGE 264

6933 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 6934 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 6935 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 6936 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 6937 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and 6938 do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 6939 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 6940 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Seven Hundred 6941 Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00). No bonds shall be issued 6942 under this section after July 1, 2023.

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

6948 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 6949 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 6950 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 6951 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 6952 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 6953 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 6954 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 6955 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 6956 vears from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 6957 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 6958 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in

6959 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 6960 commission.

6961 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 6962 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 6963 6964 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 6965 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 6966 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 6967 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 6968 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 6969 6970 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 6971 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 6972 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 6973 6974 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 6975 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 6976 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 6977 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 6978 the State of Mississippi.

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

6985 (7)The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 6986 6987 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 6988 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 6989 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 6990 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 6991 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 6992 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 6993 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 6994 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 6995 6996 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 6997 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 6998 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 6999 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

7011 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 7012 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 7013 7014 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 7015 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 7016 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 7017 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 7018 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 7019 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 7020 this subsection.

7021 (9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 7022 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 7023 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 7024 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 7025 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 7026 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 7027 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 7028 bonds.

(10) The bonds authorized under this section may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this section. Any resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be

7036 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 7037 majority of its members.

7038 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)7039 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 7040 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 7041 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 7042 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 7043 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 7044 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 7045 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

7046 (12)Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 7047 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 7048 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 7049 7050 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 7051 performance of all duties required by this section to be 7052 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 7053 interest thereon.

7054 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)7055 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 7056 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 7057 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 7058 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 7059 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 7060 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 7061 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

7065 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 7066 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 7067 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

7068 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)7069 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 7070 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 7071 7072 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 7073 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 7074 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 7075 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 7076 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 7077 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 7078 thereof.

7079 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 7080 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 7081 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 7082 any existing law of this state.

7083 **SECTION 34.** (1) As used in this section, the following 7084 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 7085 clearly requires otherwise:

7086 (a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date 7087 of computation, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the stated

initial value of such bond, plus (ii) the interest accrued thereon from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same maturity.

7093 (b) "State" means the State of Mississippi. 7094 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C) 7095 (2) A special fund, to be designated the "2019 (a) (i) 7096 Horn Lake Road and Bridge Repair Fund," is created within the 7097 State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 7098 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 7099 7100 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 7101 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 7102 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

(ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and Administration, to assist in paying the costs associated with road and bridge repairs in the City of Horn Lake, Mississippi.

(b) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt

7114 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 7115 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 7116 directed by the commission.

7117 (3)(a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, 7118 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 7119 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 7120 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 7121 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 7122 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 7123 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 7124 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 7125 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 7126 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 7127 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 7128 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 7129 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 7130 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 7131 7132 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 7133 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Three Hundred 7134 Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under 7135 this section after July 1, 2023.

(b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section shall be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in

7139 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 7140 bonds.

The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 7141 (4)7142 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 7143 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 7144 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 7145 7146 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 7147 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 7148 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 7149 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 7150 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 7151 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 7152 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 7153 commission.

7154 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 7155 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 7156 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 7157 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 7158 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 7159 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 7160 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 7161 7162 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 7163 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 7164 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds

and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

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

7178 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (7)7179 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds, 7180 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 7181 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 7182 sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 7183 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 7184 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 7185 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 7186 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 7187 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 7188 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 7189 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 7190 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best H. B. 1674

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7191 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 7192 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

7204 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8) 7205 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 7206 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 7207 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 7208 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 7209 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 7210 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 7211 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 7212 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 7213 this subsection.

(9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions
of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any
such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2)

7217 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 7218 solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and 7219 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 7220 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 7221 bonds.

7222 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued 7223 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 7224 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 7225 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 7226 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 7227 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 7228 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 7229 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 7230 majority of its members.

7231 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)7232 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 7233 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 7234 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 7235 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 7236 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 7237 7238 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

(12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under

this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and interest thereon.

7247 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)7248 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 7249 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 7250 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 7251 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 7252 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 7253 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 7254 of securing the deposit of public funds.

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

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

7261 (16)The State Treasurer is authorized, without further 7262 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 7263 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 7264 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 7265 7266 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 7267 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 7268 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the H. B. 1674

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7269 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 7270 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 7271 thereof.

7272 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 7273 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 7274 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 7275 any existing law of this state.

7276 SECTION 35. Chapter 460, Laws of 2006, as amended by Chapter 7277 463, Laws of 2007, as amended by Section 10, Chapter 511, Laws of 7278 2010, is amended as follows:

7279 Section 1. As used in Sections 1 through 19 of this act, the 7280 following words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the 7281 context clearly requires otherwise:

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

(b) "State" means the State of Mississippi.
(c) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.
(d) "Department" means the Mississippi Department of
Marine Resources.

7293 (e) "City" means the City of Biloxi, Mississippi.

(f) "Point Cadet Marina" means the marina owned by the city, as more fully described in the Point Cadet Compromise and Settlement Agreement recorded in Deed Book 390, Page 600, and amendment recorded as Instrument 2012 1168D-J2, in the land records of the Chancery Clerk of the Second Judicial District of Harrison County, Mississippi.

7300 (a) A special fund, to be designated as the Section 2. (1) 7301 "Department of Marine Resources Equipment and Facilities Fund," is 7302 created within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained 7303 by the State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate 7304 and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts 7305 remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment 7306 7307 earnings on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such 7308 special fund.

(b) (i) Except as otherwise authorized in this
7309 (b) (i) Except as otherwise authorized in this
7310 paragraph (b), monies deposited into the fund shall be disbursed,
7311 in the discretion of the department, to provide funds to purchase
7312 real property and pay the cost of administration and personnel
7313 expenses, necessary equipment and repairs, renovation and
7314 construction of facilities necessary for the improvement of the
7315 marine resources of the state * * *.

7316 (ii) Not more than Nine Million Dollars
7317 (\$9,000,000.00) of the monies deposited into the fund may be
7318 utilized by the department for all or part of the planning design

7319 and construction of the following projects for renovations,

7320 improvements and expansions of piers, docks, bulkheads, signage 7321 and related facilities and equipment for, on, and in the Point 7322 Cadet Marina for: 7323 1. University of Southern Mississippi 7324 research vessels; 7325 Commercial and recreational vessels; 2. 7326 3. The marine breakwater on the east edge of 7327 the Point Cadet Marina to establish a public fishing pier on the 7328 breakwater structure; and 7329 4. Dredging of the water bottom in the marina 7330 to remove debris and increase the depth for mooring larger draft 7331 vessels. 7332 The department shall consult with and obtain the approval of 7333 the city regarding the design and specifications for the capital 7334 improvements authorized in this subparagraph (ii). 7335 (iii) Operational expenses authorized to be paid 7336 under this act shall not exceed three percent (3%) of the total 7337 amount of bonds issued under this act. 7338 Before any real estate may be purchased with the (C) 7339 proceeds of bonds authorized to be issued pursuant to this act, 7340 the fair market value of the real estate shall be determined by 7341 the averaging of at least two (2) appraisals by Mississippi 7342 Certified General Appraisers. The proceeds of bonds issued 7343 pursuant to this act may be utilized to pay the cost of the appraisals. 7344

7345 (2)Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be 7346 disbursed to pay the costs described in subsection (1) of this If any monies in such special fund are not used within 7347 section. five (5) years after the date the proceeds of the bonds authorized 7348 7349 under this act are deposited into the special fund, then the 7350 department shall provide an accounting of such unused monies to 7351 the commission. Promptly after the commission has certified, by 7352 resolution duly adopted, that the projects described in subsection 7353 (1) of this section shall have been completed, abandoned, or 7354 cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts remaining in 7355 such special fund shall be applied to pay debt service on the 7356 bonds issued under this act, in accordance with the proceedings 7357 authorizing the issuance of the bonds and as directed by the 7358 commission.

(3) The department is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any other source funds in connection with the expenditure of funds provided for in this section.

(4) The expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the department, and those funds shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrants issued by the Department of Finance and Administration, which warrants shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Marine Resources or his designee.

7368 Section 3. For the purpose of providing for the payment of 7369 the principal of and the interest upon bonds issued under the 7370 provisions of this act, there is hereby created in the State

7371 Treasury the "Department of Marine Resources Equipment and 7372 Facilities Bond Sinking Fund." The sinking fund shall consist of 7373 the money required to be deposited into such fund pursuant to 7374 Section 18 of this act and such other amounts as shall be paid 7375 into such fund by appropriation or other authorization by the 7376 Legislature. Funds required in excess of the amounts available in 7377 the Department of Marine Resources Equipment and Facilities Bond 7378 Sinking Fund to pay the principal of and the interest upon bonds 7379 issued under the provisions of this act shall be appropriated from 7380 the State General Fund. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund 7381 at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General 7382 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in 7383 the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

7384 The commission, at one time, or from time to Section 4. (1) 7385 time, may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of 7386 general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide 7387 funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes 7388 described in Section 2 of this act. Upon the issuance of a 7389 certificate by the executive director of the department, declaring 7390 the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 7391 obligation bonds authorized by this section, the executive 7392 director shall deliver a certified copy of his certificate or 7393 certificates to the commission. Upon receipt of the certificate, 7394 the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, 7395 prescribe the form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate 7396 H. B. 1674

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the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued under this act shall not exceed * * * Thirty-nine Million Dollars (\$39,000,000.00).

7402 (2) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into the 7403 special fund created in Section 2 of this act shall be used to pay 7404 debt service on bonds issued under this act, in accordance with 7405 the proceedings authorizing issuance of the bonds.

7406 Section 5. The principal of and interest on the bonds 7407 authorized under this act shall be payable in the manner provided 7408 in this section. The bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in 7409 such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or 7410 rates (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 7411 7412 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 7413 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 7414 7415 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 7416 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 7417 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 7418 commission.

Section 6. The bonds authorized by this act shall be signed by the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest

7423 coupons, if any, to be attached to the bonds may be executed by 7424 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 7425 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 7426 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 7427 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 7428 of the bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date that 7429 the bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon the bonds 7430 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 7431 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially signing the bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 7432 7433 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date the bonds may 7434 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 7435 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 7436 the State of Mississippi.

Section 7. All bonds and interest coupons issued under the provisions of this act have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this act, the commission shall not be required to and need not comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Section 8. The commission shall act as the issuing agent for the bonds authorized under this act, prescribe the form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs incurred in the issuance and sale, and do any and all

7449 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 7450 issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 7451 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 7452 and delivery of the bonds authorized under this act from the 7453 proceeds derived from the sale of the bonds. The commission shall 7454 sell the bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the 7455 sale of the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the 7456 best interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing 7457 on the bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If the bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

Section 9. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds available in the Department of Marine Resources Equipment and Facilities Sinking Fund and any funds appropriated by the Legislature are

7475 insufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on the bonds 7476 as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State 7477 Treasurer from any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise 7478 appropriated. All the bonds shall contain recitals on their faces 7479 substantially covering the provisions of this section.

Section 10. Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of this act, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in Section 2 of this act. The proceeds of the bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the executive director of the department under such restrictions, if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds.

7487 Section 11. The bonds authorized under this act may be 7488 issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 7489 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified or required by this act. Any 7490 7491 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 7492 provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon its 7493 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 7494 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 7495 of its members.

7496 Section 12. The bonds authorized under the authority of this 7497 act may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial 7498 District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the 7499 force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi 7500 Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school H. B. 1674 PAGE 286 7501 district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by 7502 such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 7503 7504 Section 13. Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions 7505 of this act or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto 7506 may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or 7507 other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted 7508 under this act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and 7509 compel performance of all duties required by this act to be 7510 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 7511 interest thereon.

7512 Section 14. All bonds issued under the provisions of this 7513 act shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, 7514 and for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 7515 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 7516 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 7517 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 7518 7519 of securing the deposit of public funds.

7520 Section 15. Bonds issued under the provisions of this act 7521 and income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the 7522 State of Mississippi.

Section 16. The proceeds of the bonds issued under this act shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

7526 Section 17. The State Treasurer is authorized, without 7527 further process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department 7528 7529 of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 7530 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 7531 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 7532 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this act; and the State 7533 Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated 7534 place or places of payment of the bonds in ample time to discharge 7535 the bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates thereof.

7536 Section 18. From the funds it receives under Section 7537 29-15-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, the Commission on Marine 7538 Resources shall deposit the amount of funds necessary to annually 7539 pay the principal of and interest on bonds issued pursuant to this 7540 act into the Department of Marine Resources Equipment and 7541 Facilities Bond Sinking Fund created in Section 3 of this act. 7542 Any funds received by the Commission on Marine Resources under Section 29-15-9, and used by the Commission on Marine Resources 7543 7544 for any purpose related to the cost of necessary equipment and 7545 repairs, renovation and construction of facilities necessary for 7546 the improvement of the marine resources of the state, other than 7547 for deposit into the Department of Marine Resources Equipment and 7548 Facilities Bond Sinking Fund created in Section 3 of this act, 7549 shall be subject to legislative appropriation.

7550 Section 19. This act shall be deemed to be full and complete 7551 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this H. B. 1674 PAGE 288 7552 act shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any 7553 existing law of this state.

7554 SECTION 36. Section 10, Chapter 567, Laws of 2013, is 7555 amended as follows:

7556 Section 10. (1) As used in this act:

(a) "Accreted value" of any bond means, as of any date of computation, an amount equal to the sum of the stated initial value of the bond, plus the interest accrued on the bond from the issue date to the date of computation at the rate, compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the approximate yield to maturity shown for bonds of the same maturity.

(b) "Commission" means the State Bond Commission.
(c) "County" means Hinds County, Mississippi.
(d) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

7566 (2)(a) (i) There is created in the State Treasury a 7567 special fund to be known as the "Hinds County Development Project 7568 Loan Fund." The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer 7569 as a special fund, separate and apart from the State General Fund. 7570 Unexpended amounts remaining in the special fund at the end of a 7571 fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any 7572 interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the special 7573 fund shall be deposited to the credit of the special fund. Monies 7574 in the special fund may not be used or expended for any purpose 7575 except as provided in this subsection.

(ii) Money deposited into the special fund shallbe disbursed, in the discretion of the Mississippi Development

7578 Authority, to provide loans to the county to be utilized by the 7579 county to assist in the construction of a hotel in the county with 7580 at least two hundred (200) guest rooms, an associated parking 7581 garage and related improvements.

(b) The county may apply to the Mississippi Development Authority for a loan under this section. The proceeds of the loan shall be utilized by the county for the purposes provided for in paragraph (a)(ii) of this subsection.

7586 (c) (i) The Mississippi Development Authority may 7587 require county participation or funding from other sources.

(ii) The rate of interest on loans made under this section shall be at the true interest cost on the most recent issue of twenty-year state general obligation bonds occurring prior to the date such loan is made.

7592 If the county receives a loan under this section, (d) 7593 the county shall pledge for repayment of the loan any part of the 7594 homestead exemption annual tax loss reimbursement to which it may be entitled under Section 27-33-77, and any revenue generated for 7595 7596 the county by a project funded by a loan made pursuant to this 7597 The loan agreement shall provide for (i) monthly payments, act. 7598 (ii) semiannual payments, or (iii) other periodic payments, as set 7599 forth in the loan agreement. The loan agreement shall provide for 7600 the repayment of all funds received within not more than twenty 7601 (20) years from the date of issuance.

(e) Loan payments of the county shall be deposited intothe bond sinking fund created in subsection (4) of this section.

7604 (f) If the loan payments of the county appear to be in 7605 arrears, the State Auditor, upon request of the Mississippi Development Authority, shall audit the receipts and expenditures 7606 7607 of the county, and if he finds that the county is in arrears in 7608 such payments, he shall immediately notify the Executive Director 7609 of the Department of Finance and Administration who shall withhold 7610 all future payments to the county of homestead exemption reimbursements under Section 27-33-77 until such time as the 7611 7612 county is again current in its loan payments as certified by the 7613 Mississippi Development Authority.

(g) Evidences of indebtedness which are issued pursuant to this act shall not be deemed indebtedness of the county within the meaning specified in Section 19-9-5.

7617 (3) In administering the provisions of this act, the 7618 Mississippi Development Authority shall have the following powers 7619 and duties:

7620 (a) To supervise the use of all funds made available 7621 under this act;

(b) To review and certify that the funds that are made available under this act are utilized as authorized under this act;

(c) To requisition money in the Hinds County
Development Project Loan Fund and distribute it in accordance with
the provisions of this act;

7628 (d) To maintain an accurate record of all funds made7629 available to the county under this act; and

(e) To adopt and promulgate such rules and regulations
as may be necessary or desirable for the purpose of implementing
the provisions of this act.

7633 For the purposes of providing for the payment of (4) (a) 7634 the principal of and interest on bonds issued under this section, 7635 there is created in the State Treasury a special fund to be known 7636 as the "Hinds County Development Project Loan Fund Bond Sinking 7637 Fund." The bond sinking fund shall consist of monies deposited 7638 into the fund by the county for repayment of loans issued under 7639 this act, and such other amounts as may be paid into the bond 7640 sinking fund by appropriation or other authorization by the 7641 Legislature. Unexpended amounts remaining in the bond sinking 7642 fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State 7643 General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on 7644 amounts in the bond sinking fund shall be deposited into the bond 7645 sinking fund.

(b) At any time when the funds required to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds issued under this act are more than the amounts available in the bond sinking fund, the Legislature shall appropriate the balance of the amount necessary to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds issued under this act from the State General Fund.

(c) The total amount of all payments deposited into the bond sinking fund until the maturity date of the bonds authorized under this act shall be in an amount sufficient to retire the bonds.

7656 (5)The Mississippi Development Authority, at one time, (a) 7657 or from time to time, may declare by resolution the necessity for 7658 issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi 7659 to provide funds for all costs incurred or to be incurred for the 7660 purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. Upon the 7661 adoption of a resolution by the Mississippi Development Authority 7662 declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the 7663 bonds authorized by this section, the Mississippi Development 7664 Authority shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or 7665 resolutions to the commission. Upon receipt of the resolution, 7666 the commission, in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, 7667 prescribe the form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method 7668 for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate 7669 the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to 7670 be sold, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable 7671 in connection with the issuance and sale of the bonds. The total 7672 amount of bonds issued under this act shall not exceed * * * 7673 Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000.00).

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

(6) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this subsection. The bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates

7682 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 7683 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 7684 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 7685 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 7686 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 7687 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 7688 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 7689 such form, all as determined by resolution of the commission.

7690 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (7)7691 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 7692 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 7693 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 7694 coupons, if any, to be attached to the bonds may be executed by 7695 the facsimile signatures of those officers. Whenever any such 7696 bonds have been signed by the officials designated to sign the 7697 bonds who were in office at the time of the signing but who may 7698 have ceased to be those officers before the sale and delivery of 7699 the bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date that the 7700 bonds may bear, the signatures of those officers upon the bonds 7701 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 7702 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 7703 signing the bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 7704 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date the bonds may 7705 However, notwithstanding anything in this act to the bear. 7706 contrary, the bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered 7707 Bond Act of the State of Mississippi.

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

7714 The commission shall act as the issuing agent for the (9) 7715 bonds authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the 7716 bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, 7717 advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, 7718 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 7719 and costs incurred in the issuance and sale, and do any and all 7720 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 7721 issuance and sale of the bonds. The commission is authorized and 7722 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 7723 and delivery of the bonds authorized under this section from the 7724 proceeds derived from the sale of the bonds. The commission may sell the bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the 7725 7726 sale of the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the 7727 best interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing 7728 on the bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If the bonds are to be sold on sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or

7733 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, 7734 selected by the commission.

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

7740 (10)The bonds issued under the provisions of this section 7741 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof, the full faith and credit of the State of 7742 7743 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. The principal of and the 7744 interest on the bonds shall be payable primarily from the bond 7745 sinking fund created in subsection (4) of this section in the 7746 manner provided in that subsection. If the funds available in the 7747 bond sinking fund and any funds appropriated by the Legislature 7748 for those purposes are insufficient to pay the principal of and 7749 the interest on the bonds as they become due, then the amount of 7750 the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds 7751 in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All those bonds 7752 shall contain recitals on their faces substantially covering the 7753 provisions of this section.

(11) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section. The proceeds of the bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Mississippi Development

7759 Authority under such restrictions, if any, as may be contained in 7760 the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds.

7761 The bonds authorized under this section may be issued (12)7762 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 7763 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 7764 things that are specified or required by this section. Any 7765 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 7766 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 7767 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 7768 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 7769 majority of its members.

7770 The bonds authorized under this section may be (13)7771 validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of 7772 Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and 7773 effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1972, 7774 for the validation of county, municipal, school district and other 7775 The notice to taxpayers required by those statutes shall bonds. 7776 be published in a newspaper published or having a general 7777 circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

(14) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining to those bonds may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under this section, or under the resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this

7784 section to be performed, in order to provide for the payment of 7785 bonds and interest on the bonds.

7786 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (15)7787 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 7788 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 7789 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and the 7790 bonds shall be legal securities that may be deposited with and 7791 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 7792 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 7793 of securing the deposit of public funds.

(16) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and income from the bonds shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of Mississippi.

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

7800 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (18)7801 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 7802 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the department is 7803 authorized and directed to issue those warrants, in such amounts 7804 as may be necessary to pay when due the principal of, premium, if 7805 any, and interest on, or the accreted value of, all bonds issued 7806 under this section; and the State Treasurer shall forward the 7807 necessary amount to the designated place or places of payment of 7808 those bonds in ample time to discharge the bonds, or the interest 7809 on the bonds, on the due dates thereof.

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

7814 <u>SECTION 37.</u> (1) As used in this section, the following 7815 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 7816 clearly requires otherwise:

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

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

"Commission" means the State Bond Commission. 7825 (C) 7826 (2)A special fund, to be designated as the "2019 (a) (i) 7827 Margaret Martin Performing Arts Center Fund," is created within 7828 the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 7829 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 7830 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 7831 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 7832 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 7833 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund. 7834 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be

7835 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and H. B. 1674 PAGE 299 Administration, to pay the costs of repairing, renovating and refurbishing the Margaret Martin Performing Arts Center in Natchez, Mississippi, which is designated a Mississippi landmark by the Mississippi Department of Archives and History.

7840 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 7841 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 7842 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 7843 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 7844 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 7845 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 7846 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 7847 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 7848 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 7849 directed by the commission.

The Department of Finance and Administration, 7850 (C)7851 acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 7852 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 7853 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 7854 expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The 7855 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 7856 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 7857 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 7858 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 7859 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 7860 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

7861 (3) (a) The commission, at one time, or from time to time, 7862 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 7863 7864 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 7865 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 7866 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 7867 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 7868 obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the department 7869 shall deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to 7870 the commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, 7871 in its discretion, may act as the issuing agent, prescribe the 7872 form of the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of 7873 the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of 7874 the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and do any and all other things necessary and advisable in connection 7875 7876 with the issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of 7877 bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Six Million 7878 Dollars (\$6,000,000.00); however, not more than Two Million 7879 Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) may be issued in any one (1) fiscal year. 7880 No bonds shall be issued under this section after July 1, 2025.

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

7886 (4) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized 7887 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 7888 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 7889 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 7890 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 7891 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 7892 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 7893 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 7894 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 7895 7896 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 7897 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 7898 commission.

7899 The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by (5)7900 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 7901 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 7902 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 7903 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 7904 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 7905 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 7906 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 7907 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 7908 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 7909 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds 7910 and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 7911 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially

7912 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 7913 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 7914 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 7915 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 7916 the State of Mississippi.

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

7923 The commission shall act as the issuing agent for the (7)7924 bonds authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the 7925 bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, 7926 advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, 7927 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees 7928 and costs incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all 7929 other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 7930 issuance and sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and 7931 empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance 7932 and delivery of the bonds authorized under this section from the 7933 proceeds derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may 7934 sell such bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the 7935 sale of the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the 7936 best interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing 7937 on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale of any such bonds shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

7949 The bonds issued under the provisions of this section (8)7950 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the 7951 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 7952 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 7953 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 7954 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 7955 7956 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain 7957 recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 7958 this subsection.

(9) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed solely upon the order of the Department of Finance and

7964 Administration under such restrictions, if any, as may be 7965 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 7966 bonds.

7967 The bonds authorized under this section may be issued (10)7968 without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 7969 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 7970 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 7971 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 7972 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon 7973 its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 7974 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 7975 majority of its members.

7976 The bonds authorized under the authority of this (11)7977 section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 7978 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 7979 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 7980 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 7981 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required 7982 by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 7983 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

(12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel performance of all duties required by this section to be

7990 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 7991 interest thereon.

7992 (13) All bonds issued under the provisions of this section 7993 shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 7994 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 7995 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 7996 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 7997 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state 7998 and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 7999 of securing the deposit of public funds.

8000 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 8001 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 8002 Mississippi.

8003 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 8004 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 8005 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

8006 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)8007 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 8008 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 8009 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 8010 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 8011 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 8012 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 8013 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 8014 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time

8015 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 8016 thereof.

8017 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 8018 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 8019 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 8020 any existing law of this state.

8021 <u>SECTION 38.</u> (1) As used in this section, the following 8022 words shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context 8023 clearly requires otherwise:

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

8031 "State" means the State of Mississippi. (b) 8032 "Commission" means the State Bond Commission. (C) 8033 (2)A special fund, to be designated as the "2019 (a) (i) 8034 State Park Repair and Renovation Fund," is created within the 8035 State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the State 8036 Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from 8037 the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in 8038 the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 8039 8040 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund.

8041 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be
8042 disbursed, in the discretion of the Mississippi Department of
8043 Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, to pay the costs of repairs and
8044 renovations to buildings in state parks.

8045 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 8046 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 8047 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 8048 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 8049 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 8050 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 8051 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 8052 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 8053 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 8054 directed by the commission.

8055 The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (3)(a) 8056 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 8057 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 8058 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 8059 subsection (2) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 8060 by the Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, 8061 declaring the necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the 8062 general obligation bonds authorized by this subsection, the Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks shall 8063 8064 deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the 8065 commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission, in 8066 its discretion, may act as issuing agent, prescribe the form of

8067 the bonds, determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, 8068 advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, 8069 issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, and do any and 8070 all other things necessary and advisable in connection with the 8071 issuance and sale of such bonds. The total amount of bonds issued 8072 under this section shall not exceed Ten Million Dollars 8073 (\$10,000,000.00). No bonds shall be issued under this section 8074 after July 1, 2023.

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

8080 The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized (4)8081 under this section shall be payable in the manner provided in this 8082 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such 8083 denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 8084 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 8085 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places 8086 within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 8087 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 8088 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 8089 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall 8090 bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 8091 commission. 8092

8093 (5) The bonds authorized by this section shall be signed by 8094 the chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and 8095 the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, 8096 attested by the secretary of the commission. The interest 8097 coupons, if any, to be attached to such bonds may be executed by 8098 the facsimile signatures of such officers. Whenever any such 8099 bonds shall have been signed by the officials designated to sign 8100 the bonds who were in office at the time of such signing but who 8101 may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery 8102 of such bonds, or who may not have been in office on the date such 8103 bonds may bear, the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all 8104 8105 purposes and have the same effect as if the person so officially 8106 signing such bonds had remained in office until their delivery to 8107 the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may 8108 bear. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, 8109 such bonds may be issued as provided in the Registered Bond Act of 8110 the State of Mississippi.

8111 (6) All bonds and interest coupons issued under the 8112 provisions of this section have all the qualities and incidents of 8113 negotiable instruments under the provisions of the Uniform 8114 Commercial Code, and in exercising the powers granted by this 8115 section, the commission shall not be required to and need not 8116 comply with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

8117 (7) The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds 8118 authorized under this section, prescribe the form of the bonds,

8119 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise 8120 for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and sell the bonds so authorized to be sold, pay all fees and costs 8121 incurred in such issuance and sale, and do any and all other 8122 8123 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 8124 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery 8125 8126 of the bonds authorized under this section from the proceeds 8127 derived from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such 8128 bonds on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of 8129 the bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 8130 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on 8131 such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually.

If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than ten (10) days before the date of sale, and shall be so published in one or more newspapers published or having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, selected by the commission.

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

8143 (8) The bonds issued under the provisions of this section
 8144 are general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the
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8145 payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 8146 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 8147 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 8148 8149 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 8150 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 8151 8152 this subsection.

8153 Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions (9) 8154 of this section, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 8155 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (2) 8156 of this section. The proceeds of such bonds shall be disbursed 8157 solely upon the order of the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, 8158 Fisheries and Parks under such restrictions, if any, as may be 8159 contained in the resolution providing for the issuance of the 8160 bonds.

8161 (10)The bonds authorized under this section may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 8162 8163 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 8164 things which are specified or required by this section. Any 8165 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 8166 provisions of this section shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be 8167 adopted at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a 8168 majority of its members. 8169

8170 (11)The bonds authorized under the authority of this section may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First 8171 Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and 8172 with the force and effect provided by Chapter 13, Title 31, 8173 8174 Mississippi Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, 8175 school district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 8176 8177 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

8178 (12) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 8179 section or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 8180 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 8181 8182 this section, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel 8183 performance of all duties required by this section to be 8184 performed, in order to provide for the payment of bonds and 8185 interest thereon.

8186 All bonds issued under the provisions of this section (13)shall be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and 8187 8188 for savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies 8189 organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such 8190 bonds shall be legal securities which may be deposited with and 8191 shall be received by all public officers and bodies of this state and all municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose 8192 of securing the deposit of public funds. 8193

8194 (14) Bonds issued under the provisions of this section and 8195 income therefrom shall be exempt from all taxation in the State of 8196 Mississippi.

8197 (15) The proceeds of the bonds issued under this section 8198 shall be used solely for the purposes herein provided, including 8199 the costs incident to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

8200 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (16)8201 process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 8202 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 8203 8204 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 8205 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 8206 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this section; and the 8207 State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the 8208 designated place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time 8209 to discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates 8210 thereof.

8211 (17) This section shall be deemed to be full and complete 8212 authority for the exercise of the powers herein granted, but this 8213 section shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of 8214 any existing law of this state.

8215 **SECTION <u>39</u>**. This act shall take effect and be in force from 8216 and after July 1, 2019<u>, and shall be repealed from and after June</u> 8217 <u>30, 2019</u>.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION 2 BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR STATE 3 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, STATE AGENCIES AND COMMUNITY AND 4 JUNIOR COLLEGES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL 5 OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST THE CITY OF GULFPORT, 6 MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF 7 THE MISSISSIPPI AQUARIUM IN THE CITY OF GULFPORT; TO AUTHORIZE THE 8 ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO 9 ASSIST IN PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPAIR, RENOVATION AND 10 OTHER IMPROVEMENTS TO BUILDINGS AND RELATED FACILITIES IN THE CITY 11 OF BATESVILLE, MISSISSIPPI, TO HOUSE THE CONCOURSE WORKFORCE 12 TRAINING CENTER; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL 13 OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST IN PAYING COSTS 14 ASSOCIATED WITH DREDGING AT PORT BIENVILLE IN HANCOCK COUNTY; TO 15 AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO 16 PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST CLAIBORNE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING 17 COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH REPAIRS AND PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE TO 18 GRAND GULF ROAD; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL 19 OBLIGATION BONDS TO ASSIST THE CITY OF BILOXI IN PAYING THE COSTS 20 ASSOCIATED WITH IMPROVEMENTS TO DIVISION STREET AND FORREST AVENUE 21 RELATED TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW MAIN ENTRY GATE TO KEESLER 22 AIR FORCE BASE; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL 23 OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AT THE 24 MISSISSIPPI STATE FIRE ACADEMY; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE 25 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST THE CITY OF 26 WINONA, MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE 27 CONSTRUCTION AND PLACEMENT OF A HISTORIC CLOCK TOWER; TO AUTHORIZE 28 THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO 29 ASSIST THE TOWN OF PRENTISS, MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING COSTS 30 ASSOCIATED WITH PHASE ONE OF ITS INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS 31 PROJECT; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION 32 BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FURNISHING, EQUIPPING, 33 REMODELING, REPAIRING AND RENOVATING A PORTION OF THE METROCENTER 34 MALL IN JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, TO HOUSE THE RETRO METRO/HINDS 35 COMMUNITY COLLEGE SECTOR TRAINING PLUS COMPREHENSIVE ONE-STOP WORKFORCE TRAINING CENTER; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE 36 37 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST IN PAYING 38 COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPAIR, REHABILITATION, AND RELATED 39 CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES FOR THE MISSISSIPPI CENTER FOR INNOVATION 40 AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE CITY OF VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI; TO AUTHORIZE 41 THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO 42 ASSIST THE TOWN OF WESSON, MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED 43 WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW POLICE STATION; TO AUTHORIZE THE 44 ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR 45 THE CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF A NEW HIGHWAY SAFETY 46 PATROL SUBSTATION IN STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI; TO AUTHORIZE THE 47 ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO ASSIST RANKIN 48 COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING THE COSTS RELATED TO THE EXTENSION 49 OF GUNTER ROAD; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL 50 OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST SMITH COUNTY,

51 MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SITE DEVELOPMENT 52 FOR AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF 53 STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST LEE 54 COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH DESIGNING, CONSTRUCTING, DEVELOPING, EQUIPPING AND IMPLEMENTING A REGIONAL 55 56 WASTEWATER TREATMENT CENTER AND RELATED FACILITIES, SYSTEMS AND 57 INFRASTRUCTURE; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL 58 OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST SCENIC RIVERS DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE IN PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH REPAIR, 59 60 RENOVATION AND REHABILITATION OF AND UPGRADES AND IMPROVEMENTS TO 61 VARIOUS PARKS, LAKES AND FACILITIES AND PROPERTY IN AMITE COUNTY, 62 FRANKLIN COUNTY, WALTHALL COUNTY AND WILKINSON COUNTY; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO 63 64 PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST COVINGTON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING 65 COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH CONSTRUCTION, DEVELOPMENT AND UPGRADES OF 66 AND IMPROVEMENTS TO FACILITIES, PROPERTY AND INFRASTRUCTURE WITHIN 67 THE COUNTY'S INDUSTRIAL PARK; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE 68 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST THE TOWN OF 69 SUMRALL, MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH 70 CONSTRUCTING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING RECREATIONAL FACILITIES; TO 71 AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO 72 PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, MISSISSIPPI, IN 73 PAYING THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPAIR OF A BRIDGE ON ST. 74 FRANCIS DRIVE; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL 75 OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST THE CITY OF LAUREL, 76 MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE IMPROVEMENT 77 OF DRAINAGE AND THE CORRECTION OF OTHER WATER RETENTION PROBLEMS; 78 TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO 79 PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST THE PERRY COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING 80 COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH MAKING IMPROVEMENTS TO LEONARD CLARK ROAD; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO 81 82 PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE MISSISSIPPI VETERANS AFFAIRS BOARD TO USE AS 83 MATCHING FUNDS FOR A FEDERAL PROJECT TO BUILD A NEW VETERANS' 84 HOSPITAL IN HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; TO AUTHORIZE THE 85 ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO 86 ASSIST THE TOWN OF MOUND BAYOU, MISSISSIPPI, IN PAYING THE COSTS 87 ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPAIR AND RENOVATION OF THE I.T. MONTGOMERY 88 HOUSE, WHICH IS ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES; TO 89 AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO 90 PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST IN THE UPGRADE OF BYRON STREET IN 91 RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI, TO PROVIDE ENHANCED TOUR BUS ACCESS TO THE 92 FANNIE LOU HAMER MEMORIAL GARDEN; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF 93 STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST THE 94 PASCAGOULA REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH 95 IMPROVEMENTS TO ROADS, BRIDGES, WATER INFRASTRUCTURE, SEWER 96 INFRASTRUCTURE AND OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE SUPPORT AND 97 PROMOTION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF 98 STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST IN 99 PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH CONSTRUCTION OF A WORKFORCE CENTER, 100 TO BE CALLED THE NORTHWEST MISSISSIPPI INDUSTRY 4.0 WORKFORCE 101 TRAINING CENTER, ON THE NORTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE DESOTO CENTER CAMPUS IN SOUTHAVEN, MISSISSIPPI; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF 102

103 STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF CAREER TECHNICAL 104 BUILDINGS AT THE GREENVILLE HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER AND 105 106 MISSISSIPPI DELTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF 107 STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST the CREATE FOUNDATION, IN PAYING THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH REPAIRS, 108 109 RENOVATIONS AND UPGRADES AT THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN AMORY, 110 MISSISSIPPI; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION 111 BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST IN PAYING THE COSTS ASSOCIATED 112 WITH THE EXTENSION OF THE EXIT RAMP ON INTERSTATE 55 SOUTH AT 113 TERRY, MISSISSIPPI; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL 114 OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI 115 COMMUNITY COLLEGE, IN PAYING THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH 116 CONSTRUCTING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING A TRAINING CENTER; TO 117 AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO 118 PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST IN PAYING THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH ROAD 119 AND BRIDGE REPAIR IN THE CITY OF HORN LAKE, MISSISSIPPI; TO AMEND 120 CHAPTER 460, LAWS OF 2006, AS LAST AMENDED BY SECTION 10, CHAPTER 121 511, LAWS OF 2010, TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION 122 BONDS AUTHORIZED TO BE ISSUED FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE 123 RESOURCES AND AUTHORIZE A PORTION OF THE BOND PROCEEDS FOR CERTAIN 124 IMPROVEMENTS AT POINT CADET MARINA; TO AMEND SECTION 10, CHAPTER 125 567, LAWS OF 2013, TO INCREASE BY \$10,000,000.00 THE AMOUNT OF 126 BONDS AUTHORIZED TO BE ISSUED FOR THE HINDS COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT LOAN FUND AND AUTHORIZE MONEY IN THE FUND TO BE UTILIZED 127 128 AS A LOAN TO HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO ASSIST IN FUNDING THE 129 CONSTRUCTION OF A PARKING GARAGE ASSOCIATED WITH A CERTAIN HOTEL 130 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL 131 OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST IN PAYING COSTS 132 ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPAIR, RENOVATION AND REFURBISHMENT OF THE MARGARET MARTIN PERFORMING ARTS CENTER IN NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO 133 ТΟ 134 PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST IN PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH REPAIRS 135 136 AND RENOVATIONS TO BUILDINGS IN STATE PARKS; AND FOR RELATED 137 PURPOSES.

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