MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

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By: Representative Lamar

To: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL NO. 1675

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF STATE GENERAL OBLIGATION 2 BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR STATE 3 AGENCIES; TO BRING FORWARD SECTION 27-7-22.41, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 4 1972, WHICH AUTHORIZES AN INCOME TAX CREDIT, INSURANCE PREMIUM TAX 5 CREDIT AND AD VALOREM TAX CREDIT FOR CONTRIBUTIONS BY TAXPAYERS 6 THAT ARE BUSINESS ENTERPRISES TO ELIGIBLE CHARITABLE 7 ORGANIZATIONS, FOR THE PURPOSES OF POSSIBLE AMENDMENT; AND FOR 8 RELATED PURPOSES.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 10 **SECTION 1.** (1) The provisions of this section shall apply 11 to every section of this act that relates to the issuance of bonds 12 unless otherwise provided in this act.

(2) As used in this act, the following words shall have the 13 14 meanings ascribed herein unless the context clearly requires otherwise: 15 16 (a) "State" means the State of Mississippi.

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

18 (3) The principal of and interest on the bonds authorized

19 under this act shall be payable in the manner provided in this

20 subsection. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, be in such

denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate or rates 21

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22 (not to exceed the limits set forth in Section 75-17-101, 23 Mississippi Code of 1972), be payable at such place or places within or without the State of Mississippi, shall mature 24 25 absolutely at such time or times not to exceed twenty-five (25) 26 years from date of issue, be redeemable before maturity at such 27 time or times and upon such terms, with or without premium, shall bear such registration privileges, and shall be substantially in 28 29 such form, all as shall be determined by resolution of the 30 commission.

The bonds authorized by this act shall be signed by the 31 (4)32 chairman of the commission, or by his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the commission shall be affixed thereto, attested 33 by the secretary of the commission. The interest coupons, if any, 34 to be attached to such bonds may be executed by the facsimile 35 36 signatures of such officers. Whenever any such bonds shall have 37 been signed by the officials designated to sign the bonds who were 38 in office at the time of such signing but who may have ceased to be such officers before the sale and delivery of such bonds, or 39 40 who may not have been in office on the date such bonds may bear, 41 the signatures of such officers upon such bonds and coupons shall 42 nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes and have the 43 same effect as if the person so officially signing such bonds had 44 remained in office until their delivery to the purchaser, or had been in office on the date such bonds may bear. However, 45 46 notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, such bonds may be

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(5) 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.

55 The commission shall act as issuing agent for the bonds (6) 56 authorized under this act, prescribe the form of the bonds, 57 determine the appropriate method for sale of the bonds, advertise for and accept bids or negotiate the sale of the bonds, issue and 58 59 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 60 61 things necessary and advisable in connection with the issuance and 62 sale of such bonds. The commission is authorized and empowered to 63 pay the costs that are incident to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds authorized under this act from the proceeds derived 64 65 from the sale of such bonds. The commission may sell such bonds 66 on sealed bids at public sale or may negotiate the sale of the 67 bonds for such price as it may determine to be for the best 68 interest of the State of Mississippi. All interest accruing on such bonds so issued shall be payable semiannually or annually. 69 70 If such bonds are sold by sealed bids at public sale, notice

71 of the sale shall be published at least one time, not less than

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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.

81 (7)The bonds issued under the provisions of this act are 82 general obligations of the State of Mississippi, and for the payment thereof the full faith and credit of the State of 83 84 Mississippi is irrevocably pledged. If the funds appropriated by 85 the Legislature are insufficient to pay the principal of and the 86 interest on such bonds as they become due, then the deficiency 87 shall be paid by the State Treasurer from any funds in the State 88 Treasury not otherwise appropriated. All such bonds shall contain recitals on their faces substantially covering the provisions of 89 90 this subsection.

91 (8) Upon the issuance and sale of bonds under the provisions 92 of this act, the commission shall transfer the proceeds of any 93 such sale or sales to the special fund created in subsection (1) 94 of the applicable section of this act. The proceeds of such bonds 95 shall be disbursed from the special fund under such restrictions,

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96 if any, as may be contained in the resolution providing for the 97 issuance of the bonds.

The bonds authorized under this act may be issued 98 (9) without any other proceedings or the happening of any other 99 100 conditions or things other than those proceedings, conditions and 101 things which are specified or required by this act. Any 102 resolution providing for the issuance of bonds under the 103 provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon its 104 adoption by the commission, and any such resolution may be adopted 105 at any regular or special meeting of the commission by a majority 106 of its members.

107 The bonds authorized under the authority of this act (10)108 may be validated in the Chancery Court of the First Judicial 109 District of Hinds County, Mississippi, in the manner and with the force and effect provided by Title 31, Chapter 13, Mississippi 110 111 Code of 1972, for the validation of county, municipal, school 112 district and other bonds. The notice to taxpayers required by such statutes shall be published in a newspaper published or 113 114 having a general circulation in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. 115 (11) Any holder of bonds issued under the provisions of this 116 act or of any of the interest coupons pertaining thereto may, 117 either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other 118 proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights granted under 119 this act, or under such resolution, and may enforce and compel

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120 performance of all duties required by this act to be performed, in 121 order to provide for the payment of bonds and interest thereon.

122 (12) All bonds issued under the provisions of this act shall 123 be legal investments for trustees and other fiduciaries, and for 124 savings banks, trust companies and insurance companies organized 125 under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and such bonds shall 126 be legal securities which may be deposited with and shall be 127 received by all public officers and bodies of this state and all 128 municipalities and political subdivisions for the purpose of 129 securing the deposit of public funds.

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

(14) 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.

136 The State Treasurer is authorized, without further (15)process of law, to certify to the Department of Finance and 137 138 Administration the necessity for warrants, and the Department of 139 Finance and Administration is authorized and directed to issue 140 such warrants, in such amounts as may be necessary to pay when due 141 the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, or the 142 accreted value of, all bonds issued under this act; and the State Treasurer shall forward the necessary amount to the designated 143 144 place or places of payment of such bonds in ample time to

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145 discharge such bonds, or the interest thereon, on the due dates thereof. As used in this section, the "accreted value" of any 146 bond means, as of any date of computation, an amount equal to the 147 sum of (a) the stated initial value of such bond, plus (b) the 148 149 interest accrued thereon from the issue date to the date of 150 computation at the rate, compounded semiannually, that is necessary to produce the approximate yield to maturity shown for 151 152 bonds of the same maturity.

(16) This act shall be deemed to be full and complete authority for the exercise of the powers granted in this act that relate to the issuance of bonds, but this act shall not be deemed to repeal or to be in derogation of any existing law of this state that relates to the issuance of bonds.

158 (i) A special fund, to be designated **SECTION 2.** (1) (a) 159 as the "2022 State Agencies Capital Improvements Fund," is created 160 within the State Treasury. The fund shall be maintained by the 161 State Treasurer as a separate and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the state. Unexpended amounts remaining 162 163 in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the 164 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings 165 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited into such fund to pay 166 the costs of capital improvements, renovation and/or repair of 167 existing facilities, furnishings and/or equipping facilities for 168 public facilities as hereinafter described:

169 **STATE AGENCIES......\$ 80,000,000.00**

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194	compliance measures
193	Phase II of ligature
192	Department of Mental Health\$ 7,750,000.00
191	350 High Street Building\$ 7,000,000.00
190	and equipping of the
189	renovation, furnishing
188	Phase II of repair,
187	660 North Street Building\$ 9,500,000.00
186	and equipping of the
185	renovation, furnishing
184	Phase II of repair,
183	New Capitol Grounds\$ 5,000,000.00
182	and improvements to the
181	repair, restoration of
180	Continuation of planning,
179	Department of Finance and Administration\$ 21,500,000.00
178	of the department\$ 6,000,000.00
177	the care and control
176	and facilities under
175	facilities and infrastructure
174	to department buildings,
173	and security upgrades and improvements
172	and renovation of and code
171	Planning, critical repair
170	Department of Corrections\$ 6,000,000.00

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195	at the Mississippi	
196	State Hospital\$ 1,250,000.00	
197	Planning, construction,	
198	furnishing and equipping	
199	of new north entry gate	
200	security station and	
201	perimeter fencing at	
202	the Boswell Regional	
203	Center\$ 1,500,000.00	
204	Planning, repair	
205	and renovation, furnishing	
206	and equipping of Buildings	
207	#42, #49 and #50 at	
208	Ellisville State School\$ 3,000,000.00	
209	Planning, construction,	
210	furnishing and equipping	
211	of new entry security	
212	station and reconstruction	
213	of north passage bridge	
214	at North Mississippi	
215	Regional Center\$ 2,000,000.00	
216	Department of Public Safety\$	36,000,000.00
217	Continuation of construction,	
218	furnishing and equipping of	
219	a headquarters replacement	
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220	building and related
221	facilities adjacent
222	to the State Crime Lab\$ 32,000,000.00
223	Continuation of construction,
224	furnishing and equipping of
225	new Troop G Highway Patrol
226	Substation in Starkville\$ 4,000,000.00
227	Mississippi Military Department\$4,000,000.00
228	Planning, repairs,
229	renovations, expansions,
230	upgrades and furnishing
231	and equipping of Readiness
232	Centers\$ 4,000,000.00
233	Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks\$ 4,750,000.00
234	Phase I of planning, repair,
235	renovation, replacement,
236	furnishing and equipping
237	of existing park buildings,
238	facilities, and infrastructure
239	and planning, construction,
240	furnishing and equipping of
241	new park buildings, facilities
242	and infrastructure\$ 3,000,000.00
243	Planning, repair, renovations,
244	and improvements to the
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246 **TOTAL**.....\$ 80,000,000.00

247 (b) (i) Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be disbursed to pay the costs of projects described in paragraph 248 249 (a) of this subsection. If any monies in such special fund are 250 not used within four (4) years after the date the proceeds of the 251 bonds authorized under this section are deposited into the special 252 fund, then the agency for which any unused monies are allocated 253 under paragraph (a) of this subsection shall provide an accounting 254 of such unused monies to the commission. Promptly after the 255 commission has certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the 256 projects described in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have 257 been completed, abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely 258 fashion, any amounts remaining in such special fund shall be 259 applied to pay debt service on the bonds issued under this 260 section, in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the 261 issuance of such bonds and as directed by the commission.

262 Monies in the special fund may be used to (ii) 263 reimburse reasonable actual and necessary costs incurred by the 264 Department of Finance and Administration, acting through the 265 Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, in 266 administering or providing assistance directly related to a project described in paragraph (a) of this subsection. An 267 268 accounting of actual costs incurred for which reimbursement is sought shall be maintained for each project by the Department of 269

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

276 The Department of Finance and Administration, (C) 277 acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property 278 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 279 expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. 280 The 281 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be 282 under the direction of the Department of Finance and 283 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 284 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 285 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 286 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.

(2) (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

295 subsection (1) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 296 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 297 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 298 obligation bonds authorized by this section, the department shall 299 deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the 300 commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission is 301 authorized to proceed under the provisions of Section 1(6) of this 302 The total amount of bonds issued under this section shall act. 303 not exceed Eighty Million Dollars (\$80,000,000.00). No bonds 304 shall be issued under this section after July 1, 2026.

305 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into 306 the special fund created in subsection (1) of this section shall 307 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in 308 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 309 bonds.

310 (3) The provisions of Section 1 of this act shall apply to311 the issuance of bonds authorized under this section.

312 (i) A special fund, to be designated SECTION 3. (1)(a) 313 as the "2022 Department of Finance and Administration Statewide 314 Repair and Renovation Fund," is created within the State Treasury. 315 The fund shall be maintained by the State Treasurer as a separate 316 and special fund, separate and apart from the General Fund of the Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a 317 state. 318 fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any

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319 interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the fund 320 shall be deposited into such fund.

321 (ii) Monies deposited into the fund shall be 322 disbursed, in the discretion of the Department of Finance and 323 Administration, to pay the costs of site and infrastructure 324 improvements, general repairs and renovations, weatherization, 325 roofing, environmental mitigation, mechanical, electrical and 326 structural repairs required for state-owned facilities, 327 universities and community and junior colleges, repairs, 328 renovations and improvements necessary for compliance with the 329 Americans with Disabilities Act or other codes, purchase and 330 installation of necessary furniture and equipment, and 331 continuation and completion of previously authorized projects.

332 Amounts deposited into such special fund shall be (b) 333 disbursed to pay the costs of the projects described in paragraph 334 (a) of this subsection. Promptly after the commission has 335 certified, by resolution duly adopted, that the projects described 336 in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall have been completed, 337 abandoned, or cannot be completed in a timely fashion, any amounts 338 remaining in such special fund shall be applied to pay debt 339 service on the bonds issued under this section, in accordance with 340 the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such bonds and as 341 directed by the commission.

342 (c) The Department of Finance and Administration,343 acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property

H. B. No. 1675 *** OFFICIAL *** 22/HR43/R2113 PAGE 14 (BS\EW) 344 Management, is expressly authorized and empowered to receive and 345 expend any local or other source funds in connection with the 346 expenditure of funds provided for in this subsection. The 347 expenditure of monies deposited into the special fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Finance and 348 349 Administration, and such funds shall be paid by the State 350 Treasurer upon warrants issued by such department, which warrants 351 shall be issued upon requisitions signed by the Executive Director 352 of the Department of Finance and Administration, or his designee.

353 The commission, at one time, or from time to time, (2)(a) 354 may declare by resolution the necessity for issuance of general 355 obligation bonds of the State of Mississippi to provide funds for 356 all costs incurred or to be incurred for the purposes described in 357 subsection (1) of this section. Upon the adoption of a resolution 358 by the Department of Finance and Administration, declaring the 359 necessity for the issuance of any part or all of the general 360 obligation bonds authorized by this section, the department shall 361 deliver a certified copy of its resolution or resolutions to the 362 commission. Upon receipt of such resolution, the commission is 363 authorized to proceed under the provisions of Section 1(6) of this 364 act. The total amount of bonds issued under this section shall not exceed Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00). No bonds shall 365 366 be issued under this section after July 1, 2026.

367 (b) Any investment earnings on amounts deposited into368 the special fund created in subsection (1) of this section shall

H. B. No. 1675 *** OFFICIAL *** 22/HR43/R2113 PAGE 15 (BS\EW) 369 be used to pay debt service on bonds issued under this section, in 370 accordance with the proceedings authorizing issuance of such 371 bonds.

372 (3) The provisions of Section 1 of this act shall apply to373 the issuance of bonds authorized under this section.

374 SECTION 4. Section 27-7-22.41, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 375 brought forward as follows:

376 27-7-22.41. (1) For the purposes of this section, the 377 following words and phrases shall have the meanings ascribed in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise: 378 379 (a) "Department" means the Department of Revenue. 380 "Eligible charitable organization" means an (b) 381 organization that is exempt from federal income taxation under 382 Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is: 383 (i) Licensed by or under contract with the 384 Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services and provides 385 services for: 386 1.

The prevention and diversion of children
 from custody with the Department of Child Protection Services,
 2. The safety, care and well-being of
 children in custody with the Department of Child Protection
 Services, or

391 3. The express purpose of creating permanency392 for children through adoption; or

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408 (2) (a) The tax credit authorized in this section shall be 409 available only to a taxpayer who is a business enterprise engaged in commercial, industrial or professional activities and operating 410 411 as a corporation, limited liability company, partnership or sole 412 proprietorship. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a 413 credit is allowed against the taxes imposed by Sections 27-7-5, 27-15-103, 27-15-109 and 27-15-123, for voluntary cash 414 415 contributions made by a taxpayer during the taxable year to an 416 eligible charitable organization. From and after January 1, 2022, for a taxpayer that is not operating as a corporation, a credit is 417

418 also allowed against ad valorem taxes assessed and levied on real 419 property for voluntary cash contributions made by the taxpayer 420 during the taxable year to an eligible charitable organization. 421 The amount of credit that may be utilized by a taxpayer in a taxable year shall be limited to (i) an amount not to exceed fifty 422 423 percent (50%) of the total tax liability of the taxpayer for the 424 taxes imposed by such sections of law and (ii) an amount not to 425 exceed fifty percent (50%) of the total tax liability of the 426 taxpayer for ad valorem taxes assessed and levied on real property. Any tax credit claimed under this section but not used 427 428 in any taxable year may be carried forward for five (5) 429 consecutive years from the close of the tax year in which the 430 credits were earned.

(b) A contribution to an eligible charitable
organization for which a credit is claimed under this section does
not qualify for and shall not be included in any credit that may
be claimed under Section 27-7-22.39.

435 (c) A contribution for which a credit is claimed under
436 this section may not be used as a deduction by the taxpayer for
437 state income tax purposes.

(3) Taxpayers taking a credit authorized by this section shall provide the name of the eligible charitable organization and the amount of the contribution to the department on forms provided by the department.

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442 (4) An eligible charitable organization shall provide the 443 department with a written certification that it meets all criteria to be considered an eligible charitable organization. An eligible 444 charitable organization must also provide the department with 445 written documented proof of its license and/or written contract 446 447 with the Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services. The 448 organization shall also notify the department of any changes that 449 may affect eligibility under this section.

(5) The eligible charitable organization's written
certification must be signed by an officer of the organization
under penalty of perjury. The written certification shall include
the following:

454 (a) Verification of the organization's status under
455 Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code;

456 (b) A statement that the organization does not provide,
457 pay for or provide coverage of abortions and does not financially
458 support any other entity that provides, pays for or provides
459 coverage of abortions;

460 (c) Any other information that the department requires461 to administer this section.

(6) The department shall review each written certification and determine whether the organization meets all the criteria to be considered an eligible charitable organization and notify the organization of its determination. The department may also periodically request recertification from the organization. The

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(7) Tax credits authorized by this section that are earned by a partnership, limited liability company, S corporation or other similar pass-through entity, shall be allocated among all partners, members or shareholders, respectively, either in proportion to their ownership interest in such entity or as the partners, members or shareholders mutually agree as provided in an executed document.

476 (8) (a) A taxpayer shall apply for credits with the 477 department on forms prescribed by the department. In the 478 application the taxpayer shall certify to the department the 479 dollar amount of the contributions made or to be made during the 480 calendar year. Within thirty (30) days after the receipt of an 481 application, the department shall allocate credits based on the 482 dollar amount of contributions as certified in the application. 483 However, if the department cannot allocate the full amount of 484 credits certified in the application due to the limit on the 485 aggregate amount of credits that may be awarded under this section 486 in a calendar year, the department shall so notify the applicant 487 within thirty (30) days with the amount of credits, if any, that 488 may be allocated to the applicant in the calendar year. Once the 489 department has allocated credits to a taxpayer, if the 490 contribution for which a credit is allocated has not been made as of the date of the allocation, then the contribution must be made 491

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492 not later than sixty (60) days from the date of the allocation. 493 If the contribution is not made within such time period, the 494 allocation shall be cancelled and returned to the department for 495 reallocation. Upon final documentation of the contributions, if 496 the actual dollar amount of the contributions is lower than the 497 amount estimated, the department shall adjust the tax credit 498 allowed under this section.

(b) A taxpayer who applied for a tax credit under this section during calendar year 2020, but who was unable to be awarded the credit due to the limit on the aggregate amount of credits authorized for calendar year 2020, shall be given priority for tax credits authorized to be allocated to taxpayers under this section by Section 27-7-22.39.

505 For the purposes of using a tax credit against ad (C) 506 valorem taxes assessed and levied on real property, a taxpayer 507 shall present to the appropriate tax collector the tax credit 508 documentation provided to the taxpayer by the Department of Revenue, and the tax collector shall apply the tax credit against 509 510 such ad valorem taxes. The tax collector shall forward the tax 511 credit documentation to the Department of Revenue along with the 512 amount of the tax credit applied against ad valorem taxes, and the 513 department shall disburse funds to the tax collector for the amount of the tax credit applied against ad valorem taxes. Such 514 515 payments by the Department of Revenue shall be made from current tax collections. 516

H. B. No. 1675 22/HR43/R2113 PAGE 21 (BS\EW) 517 (9) The aggregate amount of tax credits that may be 518 allocated by the department under this section during a calendar year shall not exceed Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00), and 519 520 not more than fifty percent (50%) of tax credits allocated during 521 a calendar year may be allocated for contributions to eligible 522 charitable organizations described in subsection (1)(b)(ii) of 523 this section. However, for calendar year 2021, the aggregate 524 amount of tax credits that may be allocated by the department 525 under this section during a calendar year shall not exceed Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00), and for calendar year 2022, and 526 527 for each calendar year thereafter, the aggregate amount of tax 528 credits that may be allocated by the department under this section 529 during a calendar year shall not exceed Sixteen Million Dollars 530 (\$16,000,000.00). For calendar year 2021, and for each calendar 531 year thereafter, fifty percent (50%) of the tax credits allocated 532 during a calendar year shall be allocated for contributions to 533 eligible charitable organizations described in subsection 534 (1) (b) (i) of this section and fifty percent (50%) of the tax 535 credits allocated during a calendar year shall be allocated for 536 contributions to eligible charitable organizations described in 537 subsection (1) (b) (ii) of this section. For calendar year 2022, 538 and for each calendar year thereafter, of the amount of tax 539 credits that may be allocated for contributions to eligible 540 charitable organizations described in subsection (1)(b)(ii) of this section, fifteen percent (15%) of the tax credits shall be 541

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567 to eligible charitable organizations described in subsection

568 (1)(b)(ii) of this section.

569 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from

570 and after July 1, 2022.

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improvements for state agencies.