

By: Representatives Deweese, Massengill

To: Local and Private
Legislation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1735

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF
2 OXFORD, MISSISSIPPI, TO EXPAND ITS WATER SYSTEM WITHIN A CERTAIN
3 DISTANCE OUTSIDE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF OXFORD TO
4 PROVIDE SERVICES SOLELY TO THE PUNKIN WATER ASSOCIATION; AND FOR
5 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** (1) Notwithstanding any provisions of Section
8 21-27-39, Mississippi Code of 1972, to the contrary, the governing
9 authorities of the City of Oxford, Mississippi, may, in their
10 discretion, construct, expand, operate and maintain its water
11 system for a distance not to exceed eight (8) miles from the
12 corporate limits of the City of Oxford. Such distance is
13 authorized for the City of Oxford to provide water services solely
14 to the Punkin Water Association. Whenever such services are
15 furnished to any customer residing outside the corporate limits of
16 the City of Oxford, the consumer may not be charged at a rate
17 greater than twice the rate charged for the same service within
18 the corporate limits of the City of Oxford.



19 (2) The authority conferred by this act shall not be
20 construed as an exemption from the provisions of Section 77-3-1 et
21 seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, as to the requirements for
22 obtaining a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, the
23 jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission to regulate rates or
24 any other provision of that law.

25 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
26 and after its passage.

