

By: Representative Mickens

To: Local and Private  
Legislation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1748

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE TOWN OF  
2 SHUQUALAK, MISSISSIPPI, TO EXPAND ITS WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM  
3 WITHIN A CERTAIN DISTANCE OUTSIDE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN  
4 OF SHUQUALAK; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** (1) Notwithstanding any provisions of Section  
7 21-27-39, Mississippi Code of 1972, to the contrary, the governing  
8 authorities of the Town of Shuqualak, Mississippi, may, in their  
9 discretion, construct, expand, operate and maintain the water  
10 system of the Town of Shuqualak for a distance not to exceed  
11 fifteen (15) miles from the corporate limits of the Town of  
12 Shuqualak. Whenever water services are furnished to any customer  
13 residing outside the corporate limits of the Town of Shuqualak,  
14 the consumer may not be charged at a rate greater than twice the  
15 rate charged for the same service within the corporate limits of  
16 the Town of Shuqualak.

17 (2) The authority conferred by this act shall not be  
18 construed as an exemption from the provisions of Section 77-3-1 et  
19 seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, as to the requirements for



20 obtaining a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, the  
21 jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission to regulate rates or  
22 any other provisions of that law.

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

