

By: Representative Currie

To: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL NO. 1291

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 51-35-333, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
 2 TO DELETE THE PROVISIONS WHICH PROVIDE THAT IF THE BOARD OF  
 3 DIRECTORS OF A DISTRICT FORMED UNDER THE URBAN FLOOD AND DRAINAGE  
 4 CONTROL ACT DETERMINES THAT A FLOOD OR DRAINAGE CONTROL PROJECT  
 5 WILL BENEFIT ONLY A PORTION OF THE DISTRICT, THE BOARD MAY LEVY  
 6 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS THAT APPLY ONLY TO THE PROPERTY SO BENEFITED  
 7 TO PAY CERTAIN COSTS RELATED TO THE PROJECT; AND FOR RELATED  
 8 PURPOSES.

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

10 **SECTION 1.** Section 51-35-333, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
 11 amended as follows:

12 51-35-333. \* \* \* To provide funds for the payment of the  
 13 principal of, interest on, and other charges in connection with  
 14 bonds issued under the provisions of this article, to provide  
 15 funds for the annual expenses of operations of the district, and  
 16 to provide funds for carrying out any of the purposes of this  
 17 article, the district is empowered to levy annually a special tax  
 18 upon all the taxable property within such district on or before  
 19 the first Monday of September of each year and shall certify the  
 20 levy to the boards of supervisors of the various counties in the  
 21 district. It shall be the duty of the boards of supervisors of



22 each county to make the levy on each tract of land or other  
23 property in the district according to the assessed valuation  
24 thereof.

25       \* \* \* The taxes shall be collected by the tax collectors of  
26 the respective counties in the district, who shall deposit them in  
27 such depository as shall be selected by the board of directors of  
28 the district. The tax collector shall receive a sum not greater  
29 than one-fifth of one percent (1/5 of 1%) of the amount collected  
30 for his services in making such collection, and the fee shall be  
31 paid into the county general fund. It shall be the duty of the  
32 board of directors to levy a tax sufficient to pay the bonds and  
33 the interest thereon as such bonds and interest become due, to pay  
34 for the annual expense of operation of the district, and to  
35 provide funds for carrying out any of the purposes of this  
36 article.

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38       **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
39 and after July 1, 2023.

