By: Representatives Lamar, Boyd (19th) To: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL NO. 1668 (As Passed the House)

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-7-26, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH ALLOWS PARTNERSHIPS, S CORPORATIONS OR SIMILAR PASS-THROUGH ENTITIES TO ELECT TO BE TAXED AS AN ELECTING PASS-THROUGH ENTITY FOR STATE INCOME TAX PURPOSES AND PAY INCOME TAX AT THE ENTITY 3 5 LEVEL, TO REVISE THE MANNER BY WHICH A PARTNERSHIP, S CORPORATION OR SIMILAR PASS-THROUGH ENTITY MAY ELECT TO BE TAXED AS AN ELECTING PASS-THROUGH ENTITY; TO PROVIDE THAT EACH OWNER, MEMBER, PARTNER OR SHAREHOLDER OF AN ELECTING PASS-THROUGH ENTITY SHALL 7 8 9 REPORT HIS OR HER PRO RATA OR DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF THE INCOME OF THE ELECTING PASS-THROUGH ENTITY IN COMPUTING SUCH TAXPAYER'S 10 GROSS INCOME TAX LIABILITY; TO PROVIDE THAT ANY ADDITIONAL INCOME TAX CREDITS GENERATED BY AN ELECTING PASS-THROUGH ENTITY SHALL 11 12 PASS THROUGH TO THE OWNERS, MEMBERS, PARTNERS, OR SHAREHOLDERS ON A PRO-RATA BASIS AND MAY BE CLAIMED ON THE RETURNS OF THOSE 14 TAXPAYERS; TO PROVIDE THAT IF AN OWNER'S, MEMBER'S, PARTNER'S OR 15 SHAREHOLDER'S AGGREGATE INCOME TAX CREDITS EXCEED HIS OR HER 16 17 INCOME TAX LIABILITY, SUCH EXCESS SHALL BE CARRIED FORWARD AS AN OVERPAYMENT OR REFUNDED AT THE ELECTION OF SUCH PERSON; TO PROVIDE 18 19 THAT ANY CARRYFORWARD LIMITATIONS APPLICABLE TO CREDITS GENERATED BY THE PASS-THROUGH ENTITY, OTHER THAN THE CREDIT PROVIDED BY THIS 20 SECTION FOR INCOME TAXES PAID BY THE PASS-THROUGH ENTITY, SHALL 21 22 APPLY AT THE OWNER, MEMBER, PARTNER, OR SHAREHOLDER LEVEL; AND FOR 23 RELATED PURPOSES. 24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 25 **SECTION 1.** Section 27-7-26, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 26 amended as follows: 27 27-7-26. (1) (a) For calendar year 2022, and for each calendar year thereafter, any partnership, S corporation or 28

- 29 similar pass-through entity may elect to be taxed as an electing
- 30 pass-through entity and pay the tax imposed under this chapter at
- 31 the entity level. For the purposes of this section, the term
- 32 "electing pass-through entity" means a partnership, S corporation
- 33 or similar pass-through entity that has made an election pursuant
- 34 to this section.
- 35 (b) A partnership, S corporation or similar
- 36 pass-through entity desiring to be taxed as an electing
- 37 pass-through entity shall submit the appropriate form to the
- 38 Department of Revenue at any time during the tax year or on or
- 39 before the fifteenth day of the third month following the close of
- 40 that taxable year for which the entity elects to be taxed as an
- 41 electing pass-through entity. This election shall be binding for
- 42 that taxable year and all taxable years thereafter and shall not
- 43 be revoked unless the electing pass-through entity submits the
- 44 appropriate form to the department at any time during a subsequent
- 45 taxable year or on or before the fifteenth day of the third month
- 46 following the close of that taxable year for which the entity
- 47 elects to no longer be taxed as an electing pass-through entity.
- 48 Both the election to become an electing pass-through entity and
- 49 the revocation of that election shall be accomplished by a vote
- 50 satisfying such threshold required for taking official action as
- 51 may be specified within the entity's governing documents, within
- 52 the time prescribed in this subsection. If the entity's governing
- 53 documents do not contain any such provisions governing the

- 54 approval of official actions, such election shall be accomplished
- 55 by a vote by or written consent of the members of the governing
- 56 body of the entity, if the entity shall have a governing body, as
- 57 well as a vote by or written consent of the owners, members,
- 58 partners or shareholders holding greater than fifty percent (50%)
- 59 of the voting control of the entity, within the time prescribed in
- 60 this subsection.
- 61 (c) Each owner, member, partner or shareholder of an
- 62 electing pass-through entity shall report his or her pro rata or
- 63 distributive share of the income of the electing pass-through
- 64 entity * * * in computing such taxpayer's gross income tax
- 65 liability. Each owner, member, partner or shareholder of an
- 66 electing pass-through entity shall be allowed a credit against the
- 67 taxes imposed under this chapter in an amount equal to his or her
- 68 pro rata or distributive share of tax paid by the electing
- 69 pass-through entity with respect to the corresponding taxable
- 70 year. Any additional income tax credits generated by the electing
- 71 pass-through entity shall pass through to the owners, members,
- 72 partners, or shareholders on a pro-rata basis and may be claimed
- 73 on the returns of those taxpayers. In the event an owner's,
- 74 member's, partner's or shareholder's aggregate credits shall
- 75 exceed his or her income tax liability, such excess shall be
- 76 carried forward as an overpayment or refunded at the election of
- 77 such person. Any carryforward limitations applicable to credits
- 78 generated by the electing pass-through entity, other than the

79	credit	provide	ed by	this	section	on for	income	taxes	paid b	y the
80	electir	ng pass-	throu	ıgh er	ntity,	shall	apply	at the	owner,	member,

- 81 partner, or shareholder level.
- 82 (2) The adjusted basis of the owners, members or partners of 83 an electing pass-through entity in their ownership interests in 84 the electing pass-through entity shall be calculated without 85 regard to the election under this section.
- 86 <u>SECTION 2.</u> This act shall take effect and be in force from 87 and after January 1, 2023, and shall be applicable to any income 88 tax returns the original due date of which are on or after such 89 date.