MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1668 (As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-7-26, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH A PARTNERSHIP, S CORPORATION OR SIMILAR 2 3 PASS-THROUGH ENTITY MAY ELECT TO BECOME AN ELECTING PASS-THROUGH 4 ENTITY FOR INCOME TAX PURPOSES, AND BY WHICH SUCH ELECTION MAY BE REVOKED; TO INCLUDE EACH OWNER'S, MEMBER'S, PARTNER'S OR 5 6 SHAREHOLDER'S PRO RATA OR DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF THE ELECTING 7 PASS-THROUGH ENTITY'S INCOME IN THE COMPUTATION OF SUCH INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYER'S INCOME TAX LIABILITY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE INDIVIDUAL 8 9 TAXPAYER'S CREDIT SHALL BE EQUAL TO HIS OR HER PRO RATA OR 10 DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF TAX DUE BEFORE APPLICATION OF ANY 11 ENTITY-LEVEL CREDITS BY THE ELECTING PASS-THROUGH ENTITY; TO 12 PROVIDE THAT ANY ADDITIONAL INCOME TAX CREDITS GENERATED BY AN 13 ELECTING PASS-THROUGH ENTITY SHALL PASS THROUGH TO THE OWNERS, MEMBERS, PARTNERS OR SHAREHOLDERS ON A PRO-RATA BASIS AND MAY BE 14 15 CLAIMED ON THE RETURNS OF THOSE TAXPAYERS; TO PROVIDE THAT IF AN 16 OWNER'S, MEMBER'S, PARTNER'S OR SHAREHOLDER'S AGGREGATE INCOME TAX 17 CREDITS EXCEED HIS OR HER INCOME TAX LIABILITY, SUCH EXCESS SHALL 18 BE CARRIED FORWARD AS AN OVERPAYMENT OR REFUNDED AT THE ELECTION 19 OF SUCH PERSON; TO PROVIDE THAT ANY CARRYFORWARD LIMITATIONS 20 APPLICABLE TO CREDITS GENERATED BY THE PASS-THROUGH ENTITY, OTHER 21 THAN THE CREDIT PROVIDED BY THIS SECTION FOR INCOME TAXES PAID BY 22 THE PASS-THROUGH ENTITY, SHALL APPLY AT THE OWNER, MEMBER, PARTNER OR SHAREHOLDER LEVEL; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 23

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

SECTION 1. Section 27-7-26, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 25

26 amended as follows:

27 27-7-26. (1) (a) For calendar year 2022, and for each 28 calendar year thereafter, any partnership, S corporation or

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similar pass-through entity may elect to be taxed as an electing pass-through entity and pay the tax imposed under this chapter at the entity level. For the purposes of this section, the term "electing pass-through entity" means a partnership, S corporation or similar pass-through entity that has made an election pursuant 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 * * * at any time during the tax year * * * for which the entity elects to be taxed as an electing pass-through entity, 39 40 or by the due date of the return for that tax year, or by the date 41 such return is filed, whichever is latest. This election shall be binding for that taxable year and all taxable years thereafter and 42 43 shall not be revoked unless the electing pass-through entity 44 submits the appropriate form to the department at any time during a subsequent taxable year * * * for which the entity elects to no 45 longer be taxed as an electing pass-through entity, or by the due 46 47 date of the return for that tax year, or by the date such return 48 is filed, whichever is latest. Both the election to become an 49 electing pass-through entity and the revocation of that election 50 shall be accomplished by a vote satisfying such threshold required 51 for taking official action as may be specified within the entity's 52 governing documents, within the time prescribed in this 53 subsection. If the entity's governing documents do not contain

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54 <u>any such provisions governing the approval of official actions,</u> 55 <u>such election shall be accomplished</u> by * * * a vote by or written 56 consent of the owners, members, partners or shareholders holding 57 greater than fifty percent (50%) of the voting control of the 58 entity, <u>and also, if the entity has a governing body, by a vote by</u> 59 <u>or written consent of the members of the governing body,</u> within 60 the time prescribed in this subsection.

61 Each owner, member, partner or shareholder of an (C) 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 * * *, and such share shall be used in computing the 65 taxpayer's gross income tax liability. Each owner, member, 66 partner or shareholder of an electing pass-through entity shall be 67 allowed a credit against the taxes imposed under this chapter in 68 an amount equal to his or her pro rata or distributive share of 69 tax paid by the electing pass-through entity with respect to the 70 corresponding taxable year. Any additional income tax credits 71 generated by the electing pass-through entity shall pass through 72 to the owners, members, partners or shareholders on a pro-rata 73 basis and may be claimed on the returns of those taxpayers. In 74 the event an owner's, member's, partner's or shareholder's 75 aggregate credits shall exceed his or her income tax liability, 76 such excess shall be carried forward as an overpayment or refunded 77 at the election of such person. Any carryforward limitations 78 applicable to credits generated by the electing pass-through

79 <u>entity, other than the credit provided by this section for income</u> 80 <u>taxes paid by the electing pass-through entity, shall apply at the</u> 81 <u>owner, member, partner or shareholder level.</u>

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 SECTION 2. 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.