MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

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By: Representatives Boyd (37th), McLean, Stamps, Karriem

To: Local and Private Legislation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1727

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LOWNDES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO CONTRIBUTE FUNDS TO ANY PUBLIC UTILITY OR ASSOCIATION OPERATING WITHIN THE COUNTY FOR PURPOSES OF EXPANDING OR REPAIRING WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE; TO PROVIDE THAT SUCH CONTRIBUTION MAY BE MADE BY UTILIZING CERTAIN LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS THAT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY THROUGH THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 9 SECTION 1. (1) The Board of Supervisors of Lowndes County, 10 Mississippi, in its discretion, is authorized to contribute to any 11 public utility or association operating within the county for purposes of expanding or repairing water and sewer infrastructure 12 13 within the county, as authorized under this act. The board of 14 supervisors is authorized to contribute a portion of the 15 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds of the American 16 Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) that have been allocated to the county and 17 converted to revenue loss funds to better assist with recovery 18 from the COVID-19 pandemic and to meet specific needs within the 19 county.

H. B. No. 1727 23/HR26/R2202 PAGE 1 (OM\KW) 20 (2) Pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, the board of 21 supervisors is authorized to contribute to any public utility or 22 association operating within Lowndes County for purposes of 23 expanding or repairing water and sewer infrastructure within the 24 county. Such contributions may be made by utilizing the ARPA 25 Local Fiscal Recovery Funds that have been converted to revenue 26 loss funds in an amount not to exceed such available ARPA Local 27 Fiscal Recovery Funds possessed by the county.

28 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 29 and after its passage.

H. B. No. 1727 23/HR26/R2202 PAGE 2 (OM\KW) ST: Lowndes County; authorize contributions to any public utility/assoc. to expand, repair water/sewer infrastructure using ARPA funds.