By: Senator(s) Younger, Seymour

To: Accountability, Efficiency, Transparency

SENATE BILL NO. 2512 (As Sent to Governor)

- AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COUNTY BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS TO DIRECTLY
 ALLOCATE CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS MADE
 AVAILABLE UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 TO ANY
 PUBLICLY-CONSTITUTED WATER OR SEWER ASSOCIATION, DISTRICT OR
 AUTHORITY AND TO MUNICIPALITIES FOR WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE
 PROJECTS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 8 **SECTION 1.** (1) The boards of supervisors of any county in
- 9 the State are hereby authorized to directly allocate Local Fiscal
- 10 Recovery Funds made available under the federal American Rescue
- 11 Plan Act of 2021 to rural water associations, water supply
- 12 districts, regional utility districts or regional utility
- 13 authorities, and all other publicly constituted bodies which
- 14 supply water, sewer, or storm water services to the people of the
- 15 county for the purposes of funding water and sewer infrastructure
- 16 projects.
- 17 (2) The boards of supervisors are further authorized to
- 18 directly allocate such funds to incorporated municipalities for
- 19 the purposes of funding water, sewer and storm water
- 20 infrastructure projects.

- 21 (3) If the recipient association, district, authority or
- 22 municipality serves customers in two (2) or more counties, the
- 23 majority of water meters for the association, district, authority
- 24 or municipality must be located in the county allocating such
- 25 funds.
- SECTION 2. Section 1 of this act shall be codified in Title
- 27 19, Chapter 5, Mississippi Code of 1972.
- 28 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 29 and after July 1, 2023.