

By: Representatives Mims, Cockerham,
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To: Appropriations A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1775

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE SCENIC RIVERS
2 DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDING FOR
3 FACILITY/PARK EQUIPMENT, PARKING/ROAD REPAIRS, BUILDING REPAIRS,
4 SITE DEVELOPMENT, RIVER/LAKE ACCESS, EROSION CONTROL/REPAIRS,
5 UTILITY REPAIRS, SEATING IMPROVEMENTS, AND OTHER FACILITY RELATED
6 UPGRADES IN THE MEMBER COUNTIES OF THE ALLIANCE, AMITE, FRANKLIN,
7 PIKE, WALTHALL AND WILKINSON COUNTIES, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025.

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

9 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be
10 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State General
11 Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Scenic Rivers Development
12 Alliance for the purpose of providing funding for facility/park
13 equipment, parking/road repairs, building repairs, site
14 development, river/lake access, erosion control/repairs, utility
15 repairs, seating improvements, and other facility related upgrades
16 in the member counties of the alliance, Amite, Franklin, Pike,
17 Walthall and Wilkinson Counties, as provided in Section 2 of this
18 act, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June
19 30, 2025.....\$ 2,975,000.00.



20 **SECTION 2.** The money appropriated in Section 1 of this act
21 shall be expended by the alliance for the following projects:

22 (a) Amite County: Ethel Vance Park, Liberty Town
23 Fields and historical/tourism sites;

24 (b) Franklin County: Town Park, Scenic Rivers Welcome
25 Center and Okhissa Lake Park;

26 (c) Pike County: Bogue Chitto Water Park, Gibson Road
27 Natural Area and historical/tourism sites;

28 (d) Walthall County: Lake Walthall, Walthall County
29 Outdoors Complex and Walker's Bridge Park; and

30 (e) Wilkinson County: Lake Mary and Fosters Lake
31 access and ramps, Indian mound sites, Wilkinson County Park and
32 Percy Creek sites.

33 **SECTION 3.** The money appropriated by this act shall be paid
34 by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State General Fund
35 not otherwise appropriated, upon warrants issued by the State
36 Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his or
37 her warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person,
38 officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

39 **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
40 and after July 1, 2024.

