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To: Accountability,  
Efficiency, Transparency

SENATE BILL NO. 2917  
(As Passed the Senate)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 29-5-201, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO DEFINE THE AUTHORITY OF THE CAPITOL COMPLEX IMPROVEMENT  
3 DISTRICT RELATIVE TO THE DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL OF STRUCTURES,  
4 PROPERTY AND DEBRIS; TO AMEND SECTION 29-5-205, MISSISSIPPI CODE  
5 OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND  
6 ADMINISTRATION MAY PAY FOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FROM ANY FUNDS  
7 APPROPRIATED BY THE LEGISLATURE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

8 **SECTION 1.** Section 29-5-201, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
9 amended as follows:

10 29-5-201. As used in Sections 29-5-201 through 29-5-217:

11 (a) "District" means the Capitol Complex Improvement  
12 District.

13 (b) "Improvement projects" means the following types of  
14 projects in the public areas of the district:

15 (i) Street reconstruction, resurfacing and other  
16 repairs to roadways, curbs and gutters;

17 (ii) Bridge construction, reconstruction and  
18 repair;



19 (iii) Reconstructing and repairing of surface  
20 water drainage systems including street drains, ditches, culverts  
21 and other components of the system;

22 (iv) Installing and replacing street lighting;

23 (v) Installing and replacing traffic signals;

24 (vi) Installation of new water and sewer lines and  
25 rehabilitation of existing water and sewer lines serving the  
26 district, including those portions extending beyond the district  
27 boundary required to perform the work;

28 (vii) Reconstruction and repair of parks and  
29 public rights-of-way;

30 (viii) Reconstruction and repair of sidewalks  
31 along public streets;

32 (ix) Planting and replacing landscaping materials,  
33 trees, and site amenities within public parks and rights-of-way;

34 (x) Relocation underground of power and  
35 communication lines serving the district, including those portions  
36 extending beyond the district boundary required to perform the  
37 work; \* \* \*

38 (xi) Infrastructure, public safety, and other  
39 improvements as determined necessary by the Executive Director of  
40 the Department of Finance and Administration \* \* \*; and

41 (xii) Demolition and removal of structures,  
42 property and debris designated by the Capitol Complex Improvement  
43 District Advisory Committee as slum or blight which constitute a



44 nuisance to public health, safety and welfare, provided that  
45 private property owners receive due process within the meaning of  
46 state and federal law.

47 **SECTION 2.** Section 29-5-205, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
48 amended as follows:

49 29-5-205. (1) The Executive Director of the Department of  
50 Finance and Administration or his or her designee shall implement,  
51 supervise and administer improvement projects paid for with funds  
52 from the Capitol Complex Improvement District Project Fund or  
53 other funds appropriated by the Legislature, and may accept funds  
54 and services from other sources to use for the purposes provided  
55 in Sections 29-5-201 through 29-5-217.

56 (2) Subject to the limitation on funds provided for in  
57 Section 29-5-215, the executive director may employ persons as he  
58 or she considers necessary for the proper implementation,  
59 supervision and administration of improvement projects funded, in  
60 whole or in part, by funds from the Capitol Complex Improvement  
61 District Project Fund.

62 (3) Subject to the limitation on funds provided for in  
63 Section 29-5-215, the Department of Finance and Administration  
64 shall be reimbursed from the Capitol Complex Improvement District  
65 Project Fund for the cost of providing necessary personnel,  
66 services and other expenses it incurs in performing its duties  
67 under Sections 29-5-201 through 29-5-217.



68           **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
69 and after July 1, 2024.

