Adopted COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill No. 1738

BY: Committee

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

5	SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
6	necessary, is authorized and approved for expenditure out of any
7	funds which are received by or otherwise become available to the
8	Yellow Creek State Inland Port Authority, for the purpose of
9	defraying the expenses of the Authority for the fiscal year
10	beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026
11	\$ 27,714,782.00.
12	SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
13	Section 1, the following positions are authorized:
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14 AUTHORIZED HEADCOUNT:

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15 Permanent: 17

16 Time-Limited:

17 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with 18 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law.

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No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

23 SECTION 3. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 24 Yellow Creek State Inland Port Authority shall maintain complete 25 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all 26 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be 27 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal 28 Year 2025. It is further the intention of the Legislature that 29 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2027 shall be 30 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format 31 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2026 budget request process. 32

33 SECTION 4. It is the intention of the Legislature that 34 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the 35 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things 36 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, 37 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind 38 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to

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39 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are 40 made without competitive bids.

41 **SECTION 5.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of 42 Section 1 of this act, Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000.00) is 43 provided for capital projects.

SECTION 6. Of the funds appropriated herein, Fifty Thousand
Dollars (\$50,000.00) is provided for the purpose of funding
overtime, callback or standby pay.

47 SECTION 7. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 48 funds herein appropriated shall be expended in compliance with 49 Section 27-104-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, that no state agency 50 shall incur obligations or indebtedness in excess of their 51 appropriation and that the responsible officers, either personally 52 or upon their official bonds, shall be held responsible for 53 actions contrary to this provision.

54 SECTION 8. The money herein approved for expenditure shall 55 be disbursed upon bank checks signed by the proper person, officer 56 or officers, in the manner provided by law.

57 SECTION 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from 58 and after July 1, 2025, and shall stand repealed from and after 59 June 30, 2025.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

25/SS15/HB1738A.J PAGE 3 1 AN ACT APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE 2 PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE YELLOW CREEK STATE INLAND 3 PORT AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026.