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To: Conservation and
Water Resources

HOUSE BILL NO. 1118
(As Passed the House)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-37-9, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 EXTEND FROM NOVEMBER 15, 2000, TO AUGUST 1, 2001, THE DATE UPON
3 WHICH THE MISSISSIPPI SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
4 COORDINATING COUNCIL SHALL DEVELOP THE STATEWIDE SCIENTIFIC
5 INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM STRATEGIC PLAN; AND FOR RELATED
6 PURPOSES.

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

8 SECTION 1. Section 49-37-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
9 amended as follows:

10 49-37-9. (1) Before August 1, 2001, the Mississippi
11 Scientific Information Management System Coordinating Council
12 shall develop and prepare a strategic plan for the development and
13 implementation of a statewide scientific information management
14 system.

15 (2) The strategic plan shall include, but not be limited to,
16 the following:

17 (a) A detailed analysis of the sources, types, amounts
18 and methods by which scientific information is currently collected
19 in the state and of methods or systems currently used to manage
20 that scientific information;

21 (b) An identification of the current costs of
22 collection, management, analysis, updating, use and dissemination
23 of scientific information in the state with particular emphasis on
24 costs to state agencies;

25 (c) A description of current efforts by agencies and
26 organizations collecting scientific information to provide broad
27 access to that information;

28 (d) An identification of planned scientific information

29 management programs and needs and an evaluation of how those
30 planned programs or needs may be met or integrated into the
31 statewide scientific information management system;

32 (e) A clearly-defined, comprehensive statement of the
33 mission, goals and objectives of the statewide scientific
34 information management system;

35 (f) A detailed analysis of the benefits and
36 capabilities of a statewide scientific information management
37 system;

38 (g) A plan for the development and implementation of a
39 statewide scientific information management system in a phased
40 manner;

41 (h) A timeline for the development and implementation
42 of a statewide scientific information management system;

43 (i) A detailed analysis and estimate of the costs for
44 development and implementation of the statewide scientific
45 information management system and a recommended method for funding
46 the development and implementation of the system; and

47 (j) Any other information the coordinating council
48 deems appropriate.

49 (3) In addition, the strategic plan shall recommend
50 appropriate policies and standards for use in management of
51 scientific information and for providing access to that
52 information. The strategic plan shall also address information
53 accuracy and quality issues, ease of access issues, training and
54 technical support issues and interagency coordination issues.

55 (4) Upon completion of the strategic plan, the coordinating
56 council shall provide copies to the Governor, the Lieutenant
57 Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the
58 Chairmen of the Senate Environmental Protection, Conservation and
59 Water Resources Committee and the Senate Appropriations Committee,
60 the Chairmen of the House Conservation and Water Resources
61 Committee and the House Appropriations Committee, the Legislative

62 Budget Office, the Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review
63 Committee and the Legislative Reference Bureau.

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