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To: Public Buildings,
Grounds and Lands

HOUSE BILL NO. 1335

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 7-9-151, 7-9-153 AND 7-9-155,
2 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH FUNDS
3 IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PREPLANNING FUND MAY BE EXPENDED; TO
4 INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS THAT MAY BE EXPENDED ON THE
5 PREPLANNING OF A PROJECT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 7-9-151, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:[LH1]

9 7-9-151. There is hereby established in the State Treasury a
10 revolving fund to be designated as the "Capital Improvements
11 Preplanning Fund" which shall consist of monies appropriated or
12 otherwise made available therefor by the Legislature. Such funds
13 as may be deposited in the revolving fund may be expended by the
14 Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management to obtain
15 preliminary studies, plans, appraisals, and the purchase of
16 options on or the acquisition of real property. The bureau shall
17 consider architectural and aesthetic compatibility in the
18 preplanning of any project conducted using money from the Capital
19 Improvements Preplanning Fund.

20 SECTION 2. Section 7-9-153, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
21 amended as follows:[LH2]

22 7-9-153. All expenses for preplanning projects authorized by
23 the Legislature shall be paid upon warrants drawn on the Capital
24 Improvement Preplanning Fund created pursuant to this act. The
25 Department of Finance and Administration shall issue warrants upon
26 requisitions signed by the Director of the Bureau of Building,
27 Grounds and Real Property Management. Such requisitions shall set

28 forth the name of the project and estimated cost of the project,
29 and the total of prior expenditures for such project. The
30 Department of Finance and Administration shall not issue a warrant
31 against the Capital Improvements Preplanning Fund if the total
32 amount expended for preliminary study and planning on the project,
33 excluding the acquisition cost of real property, exceeds five
34 percent (5%) of the estimated cost of such project.

35 SECTION 3. Section 7-9-155, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
36 amended as follows:[LH3]

37 7-9-155. Upon the appropriation of funds or the sale of
38 bonds to fund any project authorized by the Legislature for which
39 planning funds have been expended under the provisions of this
40 act, the Director of the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real
41 Property Management shall requisition such amount as has been
42 expended for preliminary planning to be transferred from the
43 available funds for such project to the Capital Improvements
44 Preplanning Fund and the Department of Finance and Administration
45 shall make such transfer.

46 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from
47 and after its passage.