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To: Public Buildings,
Grounds and LandsHOUSE BILL NO. 1335
(As Passed the House)

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 PROVIDE THAT SECTIONS 7-9-151 THROUGH 7-9-159, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
5 1972, SHALL BE REPEALED FROM AND AFTER JULY 1, 2003; AND FOR
6 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

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

10 7-9-151. There is hereby established in the State Treasury a
11 revolving fund to be designated as the "Capital Improvements
12 Preplanning Fund" which shall consist of monies appropriated or
13 otherwise made available therefor by the Legislature. Such funds
14 as may be deposited in the revolving fund may be expended by the
15 Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management to obtain
16 preliminary studies and plans for projects authorized by the
17 Legislature. Funds also may be expended, in an amount not to
18 exceed Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) for any project,
19 for the purpose of obtaining preliminary studies and plans, to
20 include appraisals and the purchase of options on real property,
21 for projects the bureau may consider proposing to the Legislature
22 for authorization. The bureau shall consider architectural and
23 aesthetic compatibility in the preplanning of any project
24 conducted using money from the Capital Improvements Preplanning
25 Fund.

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

28 7-9-153. (1) All expenses for preplanning projects

29 authorized by the Legislature shall be paid upon warrants drawn on
30 the Capital Improvement Preplanning Fund created pursuant to this
31 act. The Department of Finance and Administration shall issue
32 warrants upon requisitions signed by the Director of the Bureau of
33 Building, Grounds and Real Property Management. Such requisitions
34 shall set forth the name of the project and estimated cost of the
35 project, and the total of prior expenditures for such project.
36 The Department of Finance and Administration shall not issue a
37 warrant against the Capital Improvements Preplanning Fund if the
38 total amount expended for preliminary study and planning on the
39 project exceeds two percent (2%) of the estimated cost of such
40 project or appraised price of the proposed property.

41 (2) Expenses for preliminary studies and plans, to include
42 appraisals and the purchase of options on real property, for
43 projects the bureau may consider proposing to the Legislature for
44 authorization shall be paid upon warrants drawn on the Capital
45 Improvements Preplanning Fund created pursuant to Sections 7-9-151
46 through 7-9-159. The Department of Finance and Administration
47 shall issue warrants upon requisitions signed by the Director of
48 the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management.
49 Such requisitions shall set forth the name of the project and
50 estimated cost of the project, and the total of prior expenditures
51 for such project. The Department of Finance and Administration
52 shall not issue a warrant against the Capital Improvements
53 Preplanning Fund for a project if the total amount expended for
54 preliminary studies and plans, to include appraisals and the
55 purchase of options on real property, for the project exceeds Two
56 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00).

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

59 7-9-155. Upon the appropriation of funds or the sale of
60 bonds to fund any project authorized by the Legislature for which
61 planning funds have been expended under the provisions of Sections

62 7-9-151 through 7-9-159, the Director of the Bureau of Building,
63 Grounds and Real Property Management shall requisition such amount
64 as has been expended for preliminary planning to be transferred
65 from the available funds for such project to the Capital
66 Improvements Preplanning Fund and the Department of Finance and
67 Administration shall make such transfer.

68 SECTION 4. Sections 7-9-151 through 7-9-159, Mississippi
69 Code of 1972, shall be repealed from and after July 1, 2003.

70 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from
71 and after its passage.