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**AMENDMENT PROPOSED TO**

**AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ TO  
SENATE BILL NO. 2002**

**BY: Representative Arnold**

1           **AMEND** by deleting Sections 1 and 2 in their entirety and  
2 inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

3       "       **SECTION 1.** Section 27-103-302, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
4 amended as follows:

5           27-103-302. (1) Through August 31, 2018, all funds received  
6 by or on behalf of the State of Mississippi through a negotiated  
7 settlement for economic damages in connection with the explosion  
8 on, and sinking of, the mobile offshore drilling unit Deepwater  
9 Horizon, except for any funds that are required by the settlement  
10 to be paid to any other public entity, shall be deposited into the  
11 Budget Contingency Fund for appropriation by the Legislature.

12           (2) From and after September 1, 2018, all funds received by  
13 or on behalf of the State of Mississippi through a negotiated



14 settlement for economic damages in connection with the explosion  
15 on, and sinking of, the mobile offshore drilling unit Deepwater  
16 Horizon, except for any funds that are required by the settlement  
17 to be paid to any other public entity, shall be deposited into the  
18 State BP Settlement Fair Payment Fund created in Section 2 of this  
19 act.

20         **SECTION 2.** (1) There is created in the State Treasury a  
21 special fund to be designated as the "State BP Settlement Fair  
22 Payment Fund." The special fund shall consist of funds required  
23 to be deposited into the special fund by Section 27-103-302, funds  
24 appropriated or otherwise made available by the Legislature in any  
25 manner, and funds from any other source designated for deposit  
26 into the special fund. Unexpended amounts remaining in the  
27 special fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not lapse into the  
28 State General Fund, and any investment earnings or interest earned  
29 on amounts in the special fund shall be deposited to the credit of  
30 the special fund.

31         (2) Funds in the State BP Settlement Fair Payment Fund shall  
32 be distributed on September 1 of each year by the Department of  
33 Finance and Administration among each of the eighty-two (82)  
34 counties, with each county receiving a proportionate amount in the  
35 ratio that the population of the county bears to the total  
36 population of the state, according to the most recent federal  
37 decennial census. The board of supervisors of each county shall  
38 expend the funds received under this section only for (a) projects



39 for the repair, maintenance and/or reconstruction of roads,  
40 streets and bridges in the county, (b) projects for the repair,  
41 maintenance and/or other improvements to water infrastructure and  
42 sewer infrastructure in the county, and (c) economic development  
43 projects, with the highest priority being for projects described  
44 in paragraphs (a) and (b). The board of supervisors shall expend  
45 not less than ten percent (10%) of the funds received each year  
46 for projects within the corporate limits of the municipalities  
47 located within the county."

48 **AMEND further** by deleting Section 3 through Section 11 in  
49 their entirety and renumbering the succeeding sections.

50 **AMEND further** by deleting Section 12 and Section 13 in their  
51 entirety, and renumbering the succeeding section.

52 **AMEND further** the title to conform.

