

By: Representative Read

To: Appropriations E;  
Appropriations A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1126  
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 57-119-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO PROVIDE FOR THE MAXIMUM MATCH REQUIREMENT FOR ASSISTANCE  
3 PROVIDED TO MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES FROM THE GULF COAST  
4 RESTORATION FUND; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 57-119-13, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:

7 57-119-13. (1) Assistance provided under this chapter may  
8 not be used to finance one hundred percent (100%) of the cost of  
9 any project; however, this limitation shall not apply to projects  
10 for public schools, and for municipalities and counties, the match  
11 requirement for such assistance shall not exceed the lesser of  
12 twenty percent (20%) of the amount of the assistance or the value  
13 of one (1) mill on all taxable properties in the county or  
14 municipality assessed after exemptions or fee in lieu agreements.

15 (2) Contracts executed by MDA with recipients of assistance  
16 under this chapter must include provisions requiring a performance  
17 report on the contracted activities, must account for the proper  
18 use of funds provided under the contract, and must include  
19 provisions for recovery of assistance if the assistance was based



20 upon fraudulent information or the recipient of the assistance is  
21 not meeting the performance requirements established by MDA of the  
22 assistance. Recipients of assistance under this chapter must  
23 regularly report to MDA the status of the project on a schedule  
24 determined by MDA.

25         **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
26 and after its passage.

