MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representatives Martinson, Barnett (92nd)

To: Transportation

HOUSE BILL NO. 275

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON UNDER 2 EIGHT YEARS OF AGE TO RIDE WITHIN OR UPON ANY PORTION OR AREA OF A 3 MOTOR VEHICLE NOT DESIGNED FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF PASSENGERS; 4 TO PRESCRIBE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ACT; AND FOR RELATED 5 PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 7 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) When a motor vehicle is being operated upon any public road, street or highway within this state, a person 8 9 under eight (8) years of age may not ride, and any person operating a motor vehicle may not knowingly permit any person 10 11 under eight (8) years of age to ride, within or upon any portion or area of the motor vehicle that is not designed by the vehicle 12 manufacturer for the transportation of passengers. 13

14 (2) Any person violating the provisions of subsection (1) of
15 this section, upon conviction, is guilty of a misdemeanor and
16 shall be punished as provided in Section 63-9-11.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this act shall be codified inChapter 3 of Title 63, Mississippi Code of 1972.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1999.

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