

By: Representatives Hudson, Nettles

To: Transportation

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1287

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-13-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 PROVIDE THAT THE ISSUANCE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE CERTIFICATE OF  
3 INSPECTION SHALL NOT BE REFUSED BECAUSE THE WINDSHIELD OF THE  
4 VEHICLE IS BROKEN, CRACKED OR DAMAGED UNLESS THE BREAK, CRACK OR  
5 DAMAGE OBSTRUCTS THE MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S CLEAR VIEW OF THE  
6 ROAD; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

8 SECTION 1. Section 63-13-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
9 amended as follows:

10 63-13-3. No person shall drive or move on any highway any  
11 motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer or pole trailer, or any  
12 combination thereof, unless the equipment upon any and every said  
13 vehicle is in good working order and adjustment as required in  
14 this chapter, and said vehicle is in such safe mechanical  
15 condition as not to endanger the driver or other occupant or any  
16 person upon the highway. A vehicle shall not be considered as  
17 unsafe or dangerous and the issuance of a certificate of  
18 inspection shall not be refused because the windshield of the  
19 vehicle is broken, cracked or damaged unless the break, crack or  
20 damage obstructs the motor vehicle operator's clear view of the  
21 road. This section shall not apply to disabled vehicles being  
22 moved to a garage or service station by means of another vehicle,  
23 or to farm trailers engaged in farm operations, or to any farm  
24 tractor, combine, cotton picker, semitrailer, pole trailer, or  
25 other agricultural or farming equipment or machinery, or any  
26 combination thereof, used primarily for agricultural purposes, and  
27 not normally used on the public highways of the state. Moreover,  
28 pulpwood trucks or log trucks used exclusively during daylight

29 hours shall not be required under the provisions of this chapter  
30 to have any lights in addition to headlights and taillights.

31 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
32 and after July 1, 1999.