To: Business and Financial Institutions

SENATE BILL NO. 2075

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 75-67-519, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT IF A CHECK CASHING LICENSEE ENGAGES IN THE ACTIVITY OF DEFERRING THE DEPOSITS OF PERSONAL CHECKS CASHED FOR CUSTOMERS, THEN THE LICENSEE SHALL ALSO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF CASHING CHECKS, THE DEPOSITS OF WHICH ARE NOT DEFERRED, FOR CUSTOMERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 75-67-517, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 9 SECTION 1. Section 75-67-519, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 10 amended as follows:

75-67-519. (1) A licensee may defer the deposit of a 11 personal check cashed for a customer for up to thirty (30) days 12 under the provisions of this section. <u>However, if a licensee</u> 13 14 engages in the activity of deferring the deposits of personal 15 checks cashed for customers, then the licensee shall also engage in the business of cashing checks, the deposits of which are not 16 17 deferred, for customers in accordance with Section 75-67-517. The face amount of any delayed deposit check cashed 18 (2) under the provisions of this section shall not exceed Four Hundred 19 20 Dollars (\$400.00).

(3) Each delayed deposit check cashed by a licensee shall be 21 22 documented by a written agreement that has been signed by the customer and the licensee. The written agreement shall contain a 23 statement of the total amount of any fees charged, expressed as a 24 dollar amount and as an annual percentage rate. The written 25 agreement shall authorize the licensee to defer deposit of the 26 personal check until a specific date not later than thirty (30) 27 28 days from the date the check is cashed.

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(4) A licensee shall not directly or indirectly charge any 29 fee or other consideration for cashing a delayed deposit check in 30 excess of eighteen percent (18%) of the face amount of the check. 31 32 (5) No check cashed under the provisions of this section shall be repaid by the proceeds of another check cashed by the 33 same licensee or any affiliate of the licensee. A licensee shall 34 not, for any consideration, renew or otherwise extend any delayed 35 deposit check. 36

37 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from38 and after July 1, 1999.

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