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To: Education; Juvenile
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SENATE BILL NO. 2401

1 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A MOTIVATING PARENTS AND CHILDREN
2 (M.P.A.C.) PILOT PROGRAM WITHIN THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
3 FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING GRANTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT PROVIDE
4 PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT SERVICES TO FAMILIES OF COMPULSORY-SCHOOL-AGE
5 CHILDREN RESIDING IN SUCH SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO SET FORTH THE
6 PURPOSES OF THE M.P.A.C. PILOT PROGRAM; TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE
7 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT THE M.P.A.C.
8 PILOT PROGRAM; TO PRESCRIBE THE BASIC COMPONENTS OF SERVICES TO BE
9 OFFERED BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS UNDER THE M.P.A.C. PILOT PROGRAM; TO
10 PROVIDE AN APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURE FOR SCHOOL
11 DISTRICTS PARTICIPATING IN THE M.P.A.C. PILOT PROGRAM; TO AMEND
12 SECTION 37-11-53, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE PARENTS TO
13 ATTEND CONFERENCES AND OTHER FUNCTIONS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS
14 PARTICIPATING IN THE M.P.A.C. PILOT PROGRAM; TO AMEND SECTION
15 63-1-10, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT CHILDREN UNDER
16 18 RESIDING IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS PARTICIPATING IN THE M.P.A.C.
17 PILOT PROGRAM WHO WITHDRAW FROM SCHOOL MAY HAVE THEIR DRIVER'S
18 LICENSE SUSPENDED; TO AMEND SECTION 63-1-46, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
19 1972, TO EXEMPT SUCH MINORS FROM LICENSE REINSTATEMENT FEES; TO
20 AMEND SECTION 63-1-53, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, IN CONFORMITY
21 THERETO; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE
22 LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

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24 SECTION 1. (1) The Legislature finds that:
- 25 (a) Students who exhibit serious behavior problems in
26 school become juvenile and adult offenders;
- 27 (b) A major contributing factor to this problem is a
28 lack of positive parental involvement with both their children and
29 school personnel;
- 30 (c) Growing numbers of children live in conditions that
31 place them at risk of school failure;
- 32 (d) The provision of school and support services to
33 these children and their families by public and nonprofit agencies
34 is fragmented and does not prepare these children to learn
35 effectively and have a successful school experience;
- 36 (e) The lack of collaboration among schools, families,
37 local agencies and other groups involved in family support and

38 youth development activities results in the inefficient and
39 ineffective use of resources to meet the needs of these children;

40 (f) Schools are dedicating an increasing amount of
41 their time and resources to responding to disruptive and violent
42 behavior rather than fulfilling their mission to challenge with
43 high expectations each child to learn, to achieve and to fulfill
44 his or her potential;

45 (g) The relationships between school failure,
46 disruptive and violent behavior in schools, unemployment and
47 criminal behavior are clear;

48 (h) Responding to the needs of students who are at risk
49 of school failure and providing for a safe and secure learning
50 environment are cost-effective because it enables the state to
51 substitute preventive measures for expensive and reactionary
52 crisis intervention through use of co-location of services and
53 repositioning of staff; and

54 (i) Differing local needs and local resources
55 necessitate the development of locally generated, community-based
56 plans that coordinate and leverage existing resources, not the
57 imposition of uniform and inflexible state-mandated plans.

58 (2) There is hereby established within the State Department
59 of Education the Motivating Parents and Children (M.P.A.C.) pilot
60 program. The purpose of the program is (a) to provide grants to
61 certain local school districts for innovative local programs that
62 target juvenile crime by coordinating school and support services
63 to children-at-risk and their families with required parental
64 involvement; (b) enhance educational attainment through
65 coordinated services to respond to the needs of students who are
66 at risk of school failure and at risk of participation in juvenile
67 crime; and (c) provide a safe and secure learning environment.

68 (3) The Motivating Parents and Children (M.P.A.C.) pilot
69 program described in this section shall be conducted in six (6)
70 school districts selected by the State Superintendent of Education
71 with the approval of the State Board of Education, which school

72 districts shall represent the different geographical areas,
73 population levels and economic levels of the state. Three (3)
74 districts shall be selected from urban areas of the state and
75 three (3) districts shall be selected from rural areas of the
76 state. The department shall give preference to school districts
77 that express a desire to participate in the pilot program. The
78 program shall apply to all compulsory-school-age children residing
79 in the pilot school districts and their custodial and
80 non-custodial parents or legal guardians.

81 (4) The State Department of Education shall develop policies
82 and procedures to administer the Motivating Parents and Children
83 (M.P.A.C.) pilot programs.

84 (5) The selected pilot school districts shall implement the
85 M.P.A.C. program, and in doing so shall:

86 (a) Employ a District M.P.A.C. Program Coordinator who
87 will be responsible for planning and coordinating activities for
88 parents of school children, and the delivery of integrated and
89 comprehensive services to children and their families.

90 (b) Employ three (3) licensed social workers and three
91 (3) certified guidance counselors, one (1) each to be assigned to
92 the high schools, middle schools and elementary schools within the
93 district who will work in conjunction to assist families in
94 resolving social and other problems that may impact the child's
95 school performance.

96 (c) Develop and implement a program of family support
97 services that is school-based and/or school-linked designed
98 according to the Communities In Schools (CIS) model. The CIS
99 model is a well-known national dropout prevention model that has
100 developed effective and proven step-by-step guidelines that can be
101 used to increase parent and community involvement. The M.P.A.C.
102 program services provided shall include a community advisory
103 board, private/public partnerships, an assessment of community
104 needs, co-location of services, repositioned staff, parenting
105 classes that would include parent-child activities, and a

106 structured plan for referrals and evaluation. The M.P.A.C. pilot
107 program may also provide after-school care, adult literacy
108 programs, early childhood education for children in high risk
109 populations, alternate learning programs, peer mediation and
110 conflict resolution activities.

111 (d) Train the M.P.A.C. program staff in the CIS model.
112 Principles and practices evaluated and proven effective shall be
113 incorporated into the program design. Upon determination of the
114 pilot sites involved, an orientation must be provided to all
115 district staff. In addition, staff must be trained and developed
116 on an ongoing basis to ensure maximum coordination and cooperation
117 with emphasis placed on learning how to effectively work with
118 parents to enhance their participation level. The M.P.A.C.
119 program services shall be designed to (i) prepare children to
120 attain academic and social success; (ii) enhance the ability of
121 families to become advocates for and supporters of education for
122 the children in their families; (iii) provide parenting classes to
123 the parents of children who are at risk of school failure; (iv)
124 provide adult literacy and employability skills classes for
125 parents; (v) serve as a referral source for children and their
126 families to ensure that needed services are accessed by the
127 family; and (vi) otherwise enhance the ability of families to
128 function as nurturing and effective family units.

129 (e) Require a parent or guardian to spend a day in
130 school with his child after violation of a major rule. Such
131 action would be taken when the rule violated is major but not
132 serious enough to warrant expulsion in order to invite parental
133 intervention before a child is suspended or expelled. The parent
134 or guardian may be required either to attend class with his child
135 for a full day or to attend parenting classes offered at alternate
136 times to accommodate the parent's or guardian's work schedules and
137 transportation issues. Failure to attend one (1) of the options
138 will result in suspension of the child.

139 (f) Create an incentive program for children whose

140 parent or guardian attends meetings of PTA/PTO's, parenting
141 classes, and volunteers a minimum of ten (10) hours in the
142 classroom. Examples of an incentive program are: (i) the
143 issuance of an activity card that grants the child full admission
144 to all school-sponsored activities such as football and basketball
145 games; and (ii) exemption from certain classroom or laboratory
146 fees as determined feasible by the local school board.

147 (g) Create a program using volunteers to provide child
148 care services for parents who volunteer, attend parenting classes,
149 and attend after-school or evening programs.

150 (h) Create a summer employability skills/on-the-job
151 training (OJT) fund, utilizing TANF and other federal
152 welfare-to-work program funds. These funds may be expended by
153 local school boards to provide job opportunities for juniors and
154 seniors in high school. Employers and nonprofit organizations who
155 participate in "Adopt-a-School" programs may qualify to employ
156 such students during the summer. Wages up to Seven Dollars
157 (\$7.00) per hour will be paid from the fund to eligible students
158 who work for the employers or nonprofit organizations who are
159 committed to participating in the "Adopt-a-School" program within
160 the next school year.

161 (i) Require the pilot school districts to conduct a
162 family needs assessment (FNA) using social workers and licensed
163 counselors once every three (3) years. The assessment should be
164 coordinated with other community organizations such as Head Start
165 to encourage collaboration and lessen duplication.

166 (6) (a) A local school district may apply for a Motivating
167 Parents and Children (M.P.A.C.) pilot program grant, for up to
168 three (3) adjacent local school districts may apply jointly for a
169 grant.

170 (b) The application shall include the following
171 information:

172 (i) Data on the incidence of juvenile crime in the
173 geographical area to be served by the grant. Sources of data may

174 include the youth court in the county, the district attorney and
175 local law enforcement officials.

176 (ii) An assessment of local resources from all
177 sources for, and local deficiencies with regard to, responding to
178 the needs of children who live in conditions that place them at
179 risk of school failure.

180 (iii) A detailed plan for removing barriers to
181 success in school that exist for these children and coordinating
182 services for parents and children as authorized under this
183 section.

184 (7) In reviewing grant applications, the State
185 Superintendent of Education shall consider the prevalence of
186 under-served students and families in low-income neighborhoods and
187 in isolated rural areas in the area for which the grant is
188 requested, the severity of the local problems with regard to
189 children at risk of school failure and with regard to school
190 discipline, whether the proposed program meets state standards,
191 and the likelihood that the locally designed plan will deal with
192 the problems successfully. During the review process, the
193 superintendent may recommend modifications in grant applications
194 to applicants. The superintendent shall submit recommendations to
195 the State Board of Education as to which applicants should receive
196 grants and the amount they should receive.

197 In selecting grant recipients, the State Board of Education
198 shall consider (a) the recommendations of the superintendent, (b)
199 the geographic location of the applicants, and (c) the demographic
200 profile of the applicants. After considering these factors, the
201 State Board of Education shall give priority to grant applications
202 that will serve areas that have a high incidence of juvenile crime
203 to serve as models for other communities. The State Board of
204 Education shall select the grant recipients prior to July 1, 1999,
205 for local programs that will be in operation at the beginning of
206 the 1999-2000 school year, and prior to July 1 and thereafter for
207 the appropriate school year.

208 A grant recipient may request a modification of a grant or
209 additional funds to implement a grant through the grant
210 application process. The request shall be reviewed and accepted
211 or rejected in the same manner as a grant application.

212 (8) The State Department of Education shall administer the
213 grant program under the direction of the State Board of Education.
214 The State Department of Education shall provide technical
215 assistance to grant applicants and recipients.

216 (9) All agencies of the state and local government,
217 including departments of human services, health departments, local
218 mental health, mental retardation, court personnel, law
219 enforcement agencies and municipalities and counties shall
220 cooperate with the State Department of Education and local school
221 boards that receive grants by co-locating services and
222 repositioning staff.

223 (10) The Department of Education shall develop and implement
224 an evaluation system, under the direction of the State Board of
225 Education, that will assess the efficiency and effectiveness of
226 the M.P.A.C. program.

227 (11) Any child in a pilot school district who is suspended
228 from school shall have his driver's license suspended for one (1)
229 calendar year by the Mississippi Department of Public Safety.

230 SECTION 2. Section 37-11-53, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
231 amended as follows:

232 37-11-53. (1) A copy of the school district's discipline
233 plan shall be distributed to each student enrolled in the district
234 and the parents, guardian or custodian of such student shall sign
235 a statement verifying that they have been given notice of the
236 discipline policies of their respective school district. The
237 school board shall have its official discipline plan legally
238 audited on an annual basis to insure that its policies and
239 procedures are currently in compliance with applicable statutes,
240 case law and state and federal constitutional provisions.

241 (2) All discipline plans of school districts shall include,

242 but not be limited to, the following:

243 (a) A parent, guardian or custodian of a
244 compulsory-school-age child enrolled in a public school district
245 shall be responsible financially for his or her minor child's
246 destructive acts against school property or persons;

247 (b) A parent, guardian or custodian of a
248 compulsory-school-age child enrolled in a public school district
249 may be requested to appear at school by an appropriate school
250 official for a conference regarding acts of the child specified in
251 paragraph (a) of this subsection, or for any other discipline
252 conference regarding the acts of the child;

253 (c) Any parent, guardian or custodian of a
254 compulsory-school-age child enrolled in a school district who
255 refuses or willfully fails to attend such discipline conference
256 specified in paragraph (b) of this section may be summoned by
257 proper notification by the superintendent of schools and be
258 required to attend such discipline conference or parenting classes
259 scheduled to accommodate the working hours and transportation
260 needs of the parent, guardian or custodian; * * *

261 (d) A parent, guardian or custodian of a
262 compulsory-school-age child enrolled in a public school district
263 shall be responsible for any criminal fines brought against such
264 student for unlawful activity as defined in Section 37-11-29
265 occurring on school grounds; and

266 (e) A parent, guardian or custodian of a
267 compulsory-school-age child enrolled in a public school in a
268 school district participating in a Motivating Parents and Children
269 (M.P.A.C.) grant program as provided in Senate Bill No. _____, 1999
270 Regular Session, who has been summoned by proper notification by
271 an appropriate school official to attend a conference, school
272 meeting, after-school meeting or class regarding the acts of such
273 child or parent specified under said program shall be required
274 under this provision to attend such conference, school meeting,
275 after-school meeting or class, provided that scheduling is

276 sensitive to the parent's work hours and transportation needs.

277 (3) Any parent, guardian or custodian of a
278 compulsory-school-age child who (a) fails to attend a discipline
279 conference to which such parent, guardian or custodian has been
280 summoned under the provisions of this section, or (b) refuses or
281 willfully fails to perform any other duties imposed upon him or
282 her under the provisions of this section, shall first be given the
283 opportunity to enroll in a series of parenting classes consisting
284 of not less than twenty (20) hours of instruction as developed by
285 the M.P.A.C. Program Coordinator and appropriate to the age of the
286 parent's child. If the parent does not attend the series of
287 classes, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction,
288 shall be fined not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).

289 (4) Any public school district shall be entitled to recover
290 damages in an amount not to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars
291 (\$20,000.00), plus necessary court costs, from the parents of any
292 minor under the age of eighteen (18) years and over the age of six
293 (6) years, who maliciously and willfully damages or destroys
294 property belonging to such school district. However, this section
295 shall not apply to parents whose parental control of such child
296 has been removed by court order or decree. The action authorized
297 in this section shall be in addition to all other actions which
298 the school district is entitled to maintain and nothing in this
299 section shall preclude recovery in a greater amount from the minor
300 or from a person, including the parents, for damages to which such
301 minor or other person would otherwise be liable.

302 SECTION 3. Section 63-1-10, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
303 amended as follows:

304 63-1-10. (1) Any applicant for a license under eighteen
305 (18) years of age must submit with the application documentation
306 from the appropriate authority that the applicant is in compliance
307 with Section 63-1-9(g). The appropriate authority shall be the
308 school principal of a public or private school or his designee,
309 or, in the case of a home study program, the parent, or the adult

310 education supervisor of the General Education Development Program
311 or his designee. Documentation of the applicant's enrollment
312 status shall be on a form designed by the Department of Education
313 as approved by the Department of Public Safety in a manner that
314 insures the authenticity of the form and any information or
315 signature contained thereon. Any student who is eligible to apply
316 for a license and who is properly enrolled in a school under the
317 jurisdiction of the authority is entitled to receive the
318 documentation for presentation to the Department of Public Safety
319 to accompany the application. The forms required under this
320 section to provide documentation shall be made available to public
321 schools, private schools approved by the State Board of Elementary
322 and Secondary Education, and adult education supervisors at school
323 board offices and shall be made available to others through the
324 Department of Public Safety.

325 (2) Whenever an applicant who is under eighteen (18) years
326 of age is unable to attend any school program due to acceptable
327 circumstances, the appropriate authority where the student last
328 attended shall provide the student with documentation to present
329 to the department to excuse such student from the provisions of
330 Section 63-1-9(g). The appropriate authority shall be the sole
331 judge of whether withdrawal of a student or failure of a student
332 to attend is due to acceptable circumstances. Suspension or
333 expulsion from school or incarceration in a correctional
334 institution is not an acceptable circumstance for a person being
335 unable to attend school.

336 (3) Any person denied a license for failure to satisfy the
337 education requirements of Section 63-1-9(g) shall have the right
338 to file a request within thirty (30) days thereafter for a hearing
339 before the Department of Public Safety to determine whether the
340 person is entitled to a license or is subject to the cancellation
341 of his license under the provisions of this section. The hearing
342 shall be held within ten (10) days of the receipt by the
343 department of the request. Appeal from the decision of the

344 department may be taken under Section 63-1-31.

345 (4) Whenever a licensee under the age of eighteen (18) who
346 resides in a school district participating in the Motivating
347 Parents and Children (M.P.A.C.) program provided under Senate Bill
348 No. _____, 1999 Regular Session, and who has not attained a diploma
349 or other certificate of graduation as prescribed in Section
350 63-1-19(2) withdraws or is suspended from his educational
351 instruction, the attendance counselor, social worker, parent,
352 guardian or school administrator designated by the State Board of
353 Education to verify the applicant's educational status under the
354 provisions of said program may, in his discretion, immediately
355 notify the Department of Public Safety of such withdrawal or
356 suspension. Within five (5) days of receipt of such notice, the
357 Department of Public Safety shall send notice to the licensee that
358 the license shall automatically be suspended for one (1) year
359 under the provisions of Section 63-1-53 on the thirtieth day
360 following the date the notice was sent unless documentation of
361 compliance with the provisions of subsection (2) of this section
362 is received by the department before such time. For the purposes
363 of this subsection, withdrawal shall be defined as more than ten
364 (10) consecutive unexcused and unlawful absences during a single
365 semester for school-age applicants under the age of eighteen (18)
366 attending school.

367 SECTION 4. Section 63-1-46, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
368 amended as follows:

369 63-1-46. (1) A fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be
370 charged for the reinstatement of a license issued pursuant to this
371 article to every person whose license has been validly suspended,
372 revoked or cancelled, except those persons whose licenses were
373 suspended under Section 63-1-53(1)(k). This fee shall be in
374 addition to the fee provided for in Section 63-1-43, Mississippi
375 Code of 1972.

376 (2) The funds received under the provisions of subsection
377 (1) of this section shall be deposited into the State General Fund

378 in accordance with Section 45-1-23, Mississippi Code of 1972.

379 (3) In addition to the fee provided for in subsection (1) of
380 this section, an additional fee of Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00)
381 shall be charged for the reinstatement of a license issued
382 pursuant to this article to every person whose license has been
383 suspended or revoked under the provisions of the Mississippi
384 Implied Consent Law or as a result of a conviction of a violation
385 of the Uniform Controlled Substances Law under the provisions of
386 Section 63-1-71.

387 (4) The funds received under the provisions of subsection
388 (3) of this section shall be placed in a special fund hereby
389 created in the State Treasury. Monies in such special fund may be
390 expended solely to contribute to the Disability and Relief Fund
391 for members of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol such amounts
392 as are necessary to make sworn agents of the Mississippi Bureau of
393 Narcotics who were employed by such bureau prior to December 1,
394 1990, and who were subsequently employed as enforcement troopers
395 by the Department of Public Safety, full members of the retirement
396 system for the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol with full credit
397 for the time they were employed as sworn agents for the
398 Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics. The Board of Trustees of the
399 Public Employees' Retirement System shall certify to the State
400 Treasurer the amounts necessary for the purposes described above.
401 The State Treasurer shall monthly transfer from the special fund
402 created pursuant to this subsection the amounts deposited in such
403 special fund to the Disability and Relief Fund for members of the
404 Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol until such time as the certified
405 amount has been transferred. At such time as the certified amount
406 has been transferred, the State Treasurer shall transfer any funds
407 remaining in the special fund created pursuant to this subsection
408 to the State General Fund and shall then dissolve such special
409 fund. This subsection (4) of Section 63-1-46 shall stand repealed
410 at such time when the State Treasurer transfers funds and
411 dissolves the special fund account in accordance with the

412 provisions of this subsection.

413 (5) The procedure for the reinstatement of a license issued
414 pursuant to this article that has been suspended for being out of
415 compliance with an order for support, as defined in Section
416 93-11-153, and the payment of any fees for the reinstatement of a
417 license suspended for that purpose, shall be governed by Section
418 93-11-157 or 93-11-163, as the case may be.

419 SECTION 5. Section 63-1-53, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
420 amended as follows:

421 63-1-53. (1) Upon failure of any person to respond timely
422 and properly to a summons or citation charging such person with
423 any violation of this title, or upon failure of any person to pay
424 timely any fine, fee or assessment levied as a result of any
425 violation of this title, the clerk of the court shall give written
426 notice to such person by United States first class mail at his
427 last known address advising such person that if within ten (10)
428 days after such notice is deposited in the mail the person has not
429 properly responded to the summons or citation or has not paid the
430 entire amount of all fines, fees and assessments levied, then the
431 court will give notice thereof to the Commissioner of Public
432 Safety and the commissioner may suspend the driver's license of
433 such person. The actual cost incurred by the court in the giving
434 of such notice may be added to any other court costs assessed in
435 such case. If within ten (10) days after the notice is given in
436 accordance with this subsection such person has not satisfactorily
437 disposed of the matter pending before the court, then the clerk of
438 the court immediately shall mail a copy of the abstract of the
439 court record, along with a certified copy of the notice given
440 under this subsection, to the Commissioner of Public Safety, and
441 the commissioner may suspend the driver's license of such person
442 as authorized under subsections (2) and (3) of this section.

443 (2) The commissioner is hereby authorized to suspend the
444 license of an operator without preliminary hearing upon a showing
445 by his records or other sufficient evidence that the licensee:

446 (a) Has committed an offense for which mandatory
447 revocation of license is required upon conviction except under the
448 provisions of the Mississippi Implied Consent Law;

449 (b) Has been involved as a driver in any accident
450 resulting in the death or personal injury of another or serious
451 property damage;

452 (c) Is an habitually reckless or negligent driver of a
453 motor vehicle;

454 (d) Has been convicted with such frequency of serious
455 offenses against traffic regulations governing the movement of
456 vehicles as to indicate a disrespect for traffic laws and a
457 disregard for the safety of other persons on the highways;

458 (e) Is incompetent to drive a motor vehicle;

459 (f) Has permitted an unlawful or fraudulent use of such
460 license;

461 (g) Has committed an offense in another state which if
462 committed in this state would be grounds for suspension or
463 revocation;

464 (h) Has failed to pay any fine, fee or other assessment
465 levied as a result of any violation of this title;

466 (i) Has failed to respond to a summons or citation
467 which charged a violation of this title; * * *

468 (j) Has committed a violation for which mandatory
469 revocation of license is required upon conviction, entering a plea
470 of nolo contendere to, or adjudication of delinquency, pursuant to
471 the provisions of subsection (1) of Section 63-1-71; or

472 (k) Is under the age of eighteen (18) and has withdrawn
473 or been suspended from his educational instruction program
474 pursuant to the provisions of Section 63-1-10(4).

475 (3) Notice that a person's license is suspended or will be
476 suspended under subsection (2) of this section shall be given by
477 the commissioner in the manner and at the time provided for under
478 Section 63-1-52, and upon such person's request, he shall be
479 afforded an opportunity for a hearing as early as practical within

480 not to exceed twenty (20) days after receipt of such request in
481 the county wherein the licensee resides unless the department and
482 the licensee agree that such hearing may be held in some other
483 county. Upon such hearing the commissioner, or his duly
484 authorized agent, may administer oaths and may issue subpoenas for
485 the attendance of witnesses and the production of relevant books
486 and papers and may require a reexamination of the licensee. Upon
487 such hearing the commissioner shall either rescind any order of
488 suspension or, good cause appearing therefor, may extend any
489 suspension of such license or revoke such license.

490 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from
491 and after July 1, 1999.