

By: Senator(s) Hewes

To: Judiciary

SENATE BILL NO. 2752

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-2-7, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE THAT A MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR MAY BE FINED FOR A VIOLATION
3 OF THE SAFETY BELT LAW REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE OPERATOR IS ALSO
4 CHARGED OR CONVICTED OF SOME OFFENSE OTHER THAN A VIOLATION OF THE
5 SAFETY BELT LAW; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 63-2-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 63-2-7. (1) A violation of this chapter shall be a
10 misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00)
11 upon conviction; however, only the operator of a vehicle may be
12 fined for a violation of this chapter by the operator or for a
13 violation of this chapter by a passenger. * * * The maximum fine
14 that may be imposed against the operator of a vehicle for a
15 violation of this chapter by the operator or for a violation of
16 this chapter by one or more passengers shall be Twenty-five
17 Dollars (\$25.00) in the aggregate.

18 (2) A violation of this chapter shall not be entered on the
19 driving record of any individual so convicted, nor shall any state
20 assessment provided for by Section 99-19-73, or any other state
21 law, be imposed or collected.

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