By: Senator(s) White (29th) To: Judiciary

SENATE BILL NO. 2853 (As Passed the Senate)

- AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 97-37-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
- 2 TO REVISE THE MANUFACTURE, SALE, POSSESSION AND USE OF SILENCERS
- 3 ON FIREARMS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 97-37-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 6 amended as follows:
- 7 97-37-31. It shall be unlawful for any person, persons,
- 8 corporation, or manufacturing establishment not duly authorized
- 9 <u>under federal law</u> to make, manufacture, sell or possess any
- 10 instrument or device which, if used on firearms of any kind, will
- 11 arrest or muffle or tend to lessen the report of said firearm when
- 12 shot or fired. * * * Any person * * * violating this section
- 13 shall be guilty of a <u>felony</u> and, upon conviction, shall be
- 14 fined * * * not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or
- 15 imprisoned in the penitentiary not * * * more than ten (10) years,
- 16 or both.
- 17 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 18 and after July 1, 1999.