By: Senator(s) Nunnelee (By Request)

To: Business and Financial Institutions

SENATE BILL NO. 2928

| 1 2 3 4 5 | AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 75-67-121, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE A LICENSEE UNDER THE SMALL LOAN REGULATORY LAW TO CHARGE CERTAIN BORROWERS THE COST OF PREMIUMS FOR NON-CREDIT LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. |
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| 6 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: |
| 7 | SECTION 1. Section 75-67-121, Mississippi Code of 1972, is |
| 8 | amended as follows: |
| 9 | 75-67-121. (1) Any licensee hereunder may charge any |
| 10 | borrower on loans of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or more the |
| 11 | actual cost of recording any instrument executed as security for a |
| 12 | loan; any reasonable fee paid to an attorney for investigating the |
| 13 | title to any property given as security for a loan; the actual |
| 14 | cost of any premium paid for insurance upon any property given as |
| 15 | security for a loan, such insurance to be placed with an insurance |
| 16 | company agent of the borrower's selection so long as it is |
| 17 | licensed to do business in the State of Mississippi; the actual |
| 18 | cost of any premium paid for credit life, health and/or accident |
| 19 | insurance on any borrower where the amount of insurance required |
| 20 | is not in excess of the amount of the loan and the premium |
| 21 | therefor is in keeping with that usually and customarily paid for |
| 22 | like insurance. |
| 23 | (2) Any licensee hereunder may charge any borrower on loans |
| 24 | of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or more, the actual cost of any |

premium paid for any one or more non-credit life insurance

policies, provided that such insurance is optional, is filed with

the Department of Insurance, and is underwritten by an insurance

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- 28 company qualified to do business in the State of Mississippi. The
- 29 <u>limitations on the amount of insurance contained in subsection (1)</u>
- 30 shall not apply to insurance sold under this subsection (2).
- 31 (3) Whenever he shall find it necessary, the comptroller
- 32 shall have the power to adopt and enforce reasonable rules and
- 33 regulations to prevent the abuse of this section and the making of
- 34 excessive charges hereunder.
- 35 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 36 and after July 1, 1999.