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To: Finance

## SENATE BILL NO. 3001

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE AUTOMOBILE  
2 LICENSE TAGS WHICH DISPLAY AN EMBLEM DESIGNED BY THE MISSISSIPPI  
3 COMMISSION FOR VOLUNTEER SERVICE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 SECTION 1. (1) Owners of motor vehicles, upon complying  
6 with the motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing  
7 of motor vehicles, and upon payment of the road and bridge  
8 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
9 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
10 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
11 an additional annual fee in the amount of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00),  
12 shall be issued a special license tag which displays an emblem  
13 designed by the Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service.

14 (2) The Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service shall  
15 design emblems which shall be displayed on the special license  
16 tag. The emblem shall be affixed during the production of the  
17 license tag.

18 (3) Application for the special license tags shall be made  
19 to the county tax collector on forms prescribed by the State Tax  
20 Commission. The application and the additional fee, less five  
21 percent (5%) thereof to be retained by the tax collector, shall be  
22 remitted to the State Tax Commission within seven (7) days of the  
23 date the application is made. The portion of the additional fee  
24 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county  
25 general fund.

26 (4) The special license tag shall be issued for a one-year

27 period. The additional annual fee shall be due and payable at the  
28 time of renewal registration.

29 (5) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
30 State Treasury on the day received. At the end of each month, the  
31 State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected under  
32 this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute such  
33 collections as follows:

34 (a) Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) of each additional fee  
35 collected on special license tags issued pursuant to this section  
36 shall be deposited into the Mississippi Commission for Volunteer  
37 Service Fund created pursuant to Section 27-7-90, Mississippi Code  
38 of 1972.

39 (b) The remainder of each such additional fee shall be  
40 deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund to be expended  
41 solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or reconstruction  
42 of highways.

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