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To: Finance

SENATE BILL NO. 2705

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE
2 LICENSE PLATES OR TAGS TO OWNERS OF MOTOR VEHICLES WHO HAVE
3 OBTAINED THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT IN THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA; TO
4 PRESCRIBE THE FORM OF SUCH TAGS OR PLATES; TO ESTABLISH THE FEE
5 FOR SUCH TAGS OR PLATES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 SECTION 1. (1) The owner of a motor vehicle who has
8 achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America,
9 upon complying with the motor vehicle laws relating to
10 registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and upon payment of
11 the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and
12 registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of
13 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,
14 and upon payment of an additional annual fee in the amount of
15 Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00), shall be privileged to obtain one (1)
16 distinctive motor vehicle license plate or tag identifying him as
17 an Eagle Scout.

18 (2) The distinctive plates or tags shall be of a color and
19 design designated by the State Tax Commission; provided, however,
20 that the Eagle Scout emblem shall be displayed on the tag or
21 plate. The emblem shall be affixed during the production of the
22 license plate or tag.

23 (3) Application for the special license tags or plates shall
24 be made to the county tax collector on forms prescribed by the
25 State Tax Commission. An applicant for such distinctive plates or
26 tags shall present to the county such written evidence of the
27 applicant's rank of Eagle Scout as may be considered satisfactory

28 by the State Tax Commission. The application and the additional
29 fee, less five percent (5%) thereof to be retained by the tax
30 collector, shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a
31 monthly basis as prescribed by the commission and shall be
32 deposited to the credit of the State General Fund. The portion of
33 the additional fee retained by the tax collector shall be
34 deposited into the county general fund.

35 (4) The special license tag shall be issued for a one-year
36 period. The additional annual fee shall be due and payable at the
37 time of renewal registration.

38 (5) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
39 State Treasury on the day received. At the end of each month, the
40 State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected under
41 this section to the State Treasurer.

42 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
43 and after July 1, 2000.