By: Senator(s) White (29th)

To: Highways and Transportation

## SENATE BILL NO. 2368

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE CARRYING OF PASSENGERS IN A TRUCK BED

2	OR OPEN CARGO AREAS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
4	SECTION 1. Every driver of a motor vehicle being operated in
5	forward motion on any public road, street or highway is prohibited
6	from carrying any passenger in a truck bed or in any open or
7	uncovered nonpassenger or cargo area which does not have a
8	passenger seat or seats manufactured or installed as an integral
9	part of the vehicle. A motor vehicle is a vehicle intended
10	primarily for use and operation on the public roads, streets and
11	highways and which is either self-propelled or is designed either
12	to be attached to or drawn by a self-propelled vehicle, but does
13	not include farm tractors and other machines and tools used in
14	production, harvesting and cultivation of farm products.
15	Violation of this section is a violation of the traffic

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2001.

regulations and rules of the road and shall be punished as

provided in Section 63-9-11, Mississippi Code of 1972.

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