

**\*\*\*Adopted\*\*\***

**AMENDMENT No. 1 PROPOSED TO**

**House Bill NO. 488**

**By Representative(s) Compretta, Moak**

1           **AMEND** by inserting the following language after line 744 and  
2 by renumbering the succeeding section:

3           "SECTION 11. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
4 graduate of the United States Naval Academy or a student enrolled  
5 at the United States Naval Academy, upon complying with the motor  
6 vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor  
7 vehicles, and upon payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes,  
8 ad valorem taxes and registration fees as prescribed by law for  
9 private carriers of passengers, pickup trucks and other  
10 noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of an additional  
11 fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this section,  
12 shall be issued a distinctive license tag which displays the  
13 emblem of the United States Naval Academy. The distinctive  
14 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the  
15 State Tax Commission may prescribe and shall consist of such  
16 letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish  
17 each license tag.

18           (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
19 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
20 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the

21 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
22 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
23 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
24 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
25 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
26 county general fund.

27 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
28 after July 1, 2001, any person applying for a distinctive license  
29 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
30 of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each distinctive license tag applied  
31 for under this section, which shall be in addition to all other  
32 taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a period of  
33 time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established license tag  
34 year. The additional fee is due and payable at the time the  
35 original application is made for a distinctive license tag under  
36 this section and thereafter annually at the time of renewal  
37 registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive license  
38 tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive license  
39 tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax collector.

40 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
41 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
42 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
43 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
44 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
45 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

46 (a) Thirty-two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$32.50) of each  
47 additional fee collected on distinctive license tags issued  
48 pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the State General  
49 Fund.

50 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
51 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall

52 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn  
53 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

54 (c) Fourteen Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$14.50) of each  
55 additional fee collected on distinctive license tags issued  
56 pursuant to this section shall be deposited to the credit of the  
57 State Highway Fund to be expended solely for the repair,  
58 maintenance, construction or reconstruction of highways.

59 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
60 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
61 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
62 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
63 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
64 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
65 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
66 tag.

67 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
68 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
69 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
70 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
71 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
72 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
73 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
74 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
75 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
76 distinctive license tags issued under this section."

77 **AMEND FURTHER** the title by inserting the following language  
78 after the semicolon on line 18: "TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF  
79 DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO GRADUATES OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL  
80 ACADEMY AND STUDENTS ENROLLED AT THE ACADEMY;"