

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

**AMENDMENT No. 1 PROPOSED TO**

**Senate Bill NO. 2912**

**By Representative(s) Committee**

**Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting  
in lieu thereof the following:**

25        SECTION 1. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a member  
26 of Lions of Mississippi, upon payment of the road and bridge  
27 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
28 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
29 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
30 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
31 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
32 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a member  
33 of Lions of Mississippi. The distinctive license tags so issued  
34 shall be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission,  
35 with the advice of Lions of Mississippi, may prescribe and shall  
36 consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary  
37 to distinguish each license tag.

38        (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
39 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
40 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
41 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less

42 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
43 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
44 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
45 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
46 county general fund.

47 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
48 after July 1, 2001, any person applying for a distinctive license  
49 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
50 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
51 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
52 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
53 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established  
54 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
55 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
56 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
57 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
58 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
59 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
60 collector.

61 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
62 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
63 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
64 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
65 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
66 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

67 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee  
68 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
69 section shall be distributed to Lions Sight Foundation of  
70 Mississippi, Inc.

71 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected

72 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
73 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn  
74 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

75 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
76 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
77 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
78 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
79 reconstruction of highways.

80 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
81 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
82 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
83 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
84 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
85 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
86 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
87 tag.

88 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
89 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
90 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
91 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
92 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
93 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
94 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
95 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
96 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
97 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

98 SECTION 2. (1) Any owners of a motor vehicle who is a  
99 resident of this state, upon complying with the motor vehicle laws  
100 relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and upon  
101 payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes

102 and registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of  
103 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,  
104 and upon payment of an additional fee in the amount provided in  
105 subsection (3) of this section, shall be issued a distinctive  
106 license tag in recognition of his support for the Mississippi  
107 Veterans Monument. The distinctive license tags so issued shall  
108 be of such color and design as may be determined finally by the  
109 State Tax Commission based upon three (3) recommendations  
110 presented to the State Tax Commission by the Mississippi Veterans  
111 Monument Commission, and ranked in order of preference by the  
112 Mississippi Veterans Monument Commission.

113 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
114 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
115 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
116 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
117 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector as  
118 a processing fee, shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on  
119 a monthly basis as prescribed by the commission. The portion of  
120 the additional fee retained by the tax collector shall be  
121 deposited into the county general fund. Distinctive license tags  
122 issued under this section shall be issued within forty-five (45)  
123 days after application is made.

124 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
125 after July 1, 2001, any person applying for a distinctive license  
126 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
127 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
128 applied for under this section which shall be in addition to all  
129 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
130 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established  
131 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the

132 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
133 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
134 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
135 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
136 license tag, or if the owner sells or transfers the vehicle he,  
137 may surrender the license tag to the local county tax collector  
138 and receive a certificate of credit toward the purchase of a tag  
139 on another vehicle as otherwise provided by law. Distinctive  
140 license tags issued under this section may be transferred by the  
141 owner to any other vehicle owned by him upon payment of the  
142 regular taxes and fees for a license tag for that vehicle.

143 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
144 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
145 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
146 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of  
147 distinctive license tags under this section. The State Treasurer  
148 shall distribute such collections as follows:

149 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee  
150 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
151 section shall be deposited into the special fund created in  
152 subsection (7) of this section.

153 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
154 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
155 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn  
156 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

157 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
158 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
159 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
160 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
161 reconstruction of highways.

162 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
163 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
164 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
165 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
166 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
167 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
168 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
169 tag.

170 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
171 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
172 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
173 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
174 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
175 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
176 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
177 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
178 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
179 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

180 (7) There is established in the State Treasury a special  
181 fund which shall consist of monies required to be deposited  
182 therein under subsection (4) of this section. Monies in the  
183 special fund, upon Legislative appropriation, may be expended by  
184 the Mississippi Veterans Monument Commission for the purpose of  
185 performing any of the duties of the commission under Chapter 15 of  
186 Title 55, Mississippi Code of 1972. Unexpended amounts remaining  
187 in the special fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not lapse  
188 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment  
189 earnings on amounts in the special fund shall be deposited to the  
190 credit of the special fund.

191 SECTION 3. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a

192 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
193 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
194 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
195 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
196 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
197 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor  
198 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
199 supporter of Mississippi public education. The distinctive  
200 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the  
201 State Tax Commission, with the advice of the State Board of  
202 Education, may prescribe, and shall consist of such letters or  
203 numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish each license  
204 tag.

205 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
206 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
207 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
208 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
209 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
210 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
211 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
212 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
213 county general fund.

214 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
215 after July 1, 2001, any person applying for a distinctive license  
216 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
217 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
218 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
219 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
220 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established  
221 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the

222 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
223 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
224 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
225 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
226 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
227 collector.

228 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
229 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
230 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
231 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
232 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
233 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

234 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee  
235 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
236 section shall be deposited into the Public Education Support Fund  
237 created under Section 4 of House Bill No. 488, 2001 Regular  
238 Session.

239 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
240 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
241 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn  
242 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

243 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
244 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
245 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
246 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
247 reconstruction of highways.

248 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
249 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
250 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
251 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under



252 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
253 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
254 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
255 tag.

256 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
257 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
258 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
259 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
260 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
261 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
262 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
263 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
264 distributed proportionately in the same manner as funds from the  
265 sale of regular distinctive license tags issued under this  
266 section.

267 SECTION 4. (1) There is established in the State Treasury a  
268 fund known as the "Mississippi Public Education Support Fund"  
269 (hereinafter referred to as "fund"). The fund shall consist of  
270 monies required to be deposited therein under Section 3 of House  
271 Bill No. 488, 2001, Regular Session, and such other monies as the  
272 Legislature may authorize or direct to be deposited into the fund.  
273 Monies in the fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, may be  
274 expended by the Mississippi Department of Education to develop,  
275 implement and administer reading, character education and drop-out  
276 prevention programs. Unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at  
277 the end of the fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General  
278 Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in  
279 the fund shall be deposited to the credit of the fund.

280 SECTION 5. (1) In recognition of the patriotic services  
281 rendered the United States, Mississippi and the citizens thereof,

282 any resident of the state who is on active duty with the Armed  
283 Forces of the United States, upon payment of the road and bridge  
284 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
285 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
286 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
287 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
288 section, shall be issued a distinctive motor vehicle license plate  
289 or tag identifying him as an active duty member of the United  
290 States Armed Forces. The distinctive license tags so issued shall  
291 be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission may  
292 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,  
293 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

294 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
295 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
296 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. Applicants for the  
297 distinctive license tag shall present proof of their active duty  
298 membership in the United States Armed Services to the county tax  
299 collector. The application and the additional fee imposed under  
300 subsection (3) of this section, less Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be  
301 retained by the tax collector, shall be remitted to the State Tax  
302 Commission on a monthly basis as prescribed by the commission.  
303 The portion of the additional fee retained by the tax collector  
304 shall be deposited into the county general fund.

305 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
306 after July 1, 2001, any person applying for a distinctive license  
307 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
308 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
309 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
310 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
311 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established

312 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
313 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
314 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
315 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
316 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
317 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
318 collector.

319 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
320 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
321 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected  
322 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute  
323 such collections as follows:

324 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee  
325 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
326 section shall be deposited into a special fund that is created in  
327 the State Treasury. Monies in the fund may be expended by the  
328 Mississippi State Veterans Affairs Board for the maintenance,  
329 operation and administration of state veterans homes.

330 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
331 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
332 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn  
333 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

334 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
335 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
336 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
337 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
338 reconstruction of highways.

339 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
340 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
341 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the

342 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
343 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
344 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
345 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
346 tag.

347 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
348 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
349 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
350 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
351 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
352 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
353 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
354 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
355 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
356 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

357 SECTION 6. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a duly  
358 elected constable, upon payment of the road and bridge privilege  
359 taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as prescribed by law  
360 for private carriers of passengers, pickup trucks and other  
361 noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of an additional  
362 fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this section,  
363 shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor vehicle  
364 registered in his name identifying the person as a constable. The  
365 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and  
366 design as the State Tax Commission may prescribe and shall consist  
367 of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to  
368 distinguish each license tag.

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

372 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
373 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
374 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
375 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
376 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
377 county general fund.

378 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
379 after July 1, 2001, any person applying for a distinctive license  
380 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
381 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
382 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
383 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
384 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established  
385 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
386 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
387 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
388 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
389 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
390 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
391 collector.

392 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
393 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
394 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
395 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
396 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
397 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

398 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee  
399 collected on distinctive license tags issued under this section  
400 shall be deposited into the State General Fund.

401 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected

402 on distinctive license tags issued under this section shall be  
403 deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn Center  
404 Fund created under Section 7-9-70.

405 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
406 collected on distinctive license tags issued under this section  
407 shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund to be  
408 expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
409 reconstruction of highways.

410 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
411 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
412 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
413 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
414 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
415 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
416 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
417 tag.

418 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
419 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
420 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
421 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
422 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
423 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
424 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
425 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
426 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
427 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

428 SECTION 7. (1) In recognition of their patriotic services  
429 rendered the state and the citizens thereof, any owner of a motor  
430 vehicle who is a member of the Mississippi State Guard established  
431 under Section 33-5-51, upon application and payment of the road

432 and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees  
433 as prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
434 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
435 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
436 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
437 vehicle registered in his name identifying the person as a member  
438 of the Mississippi State Guard. The distinctive license tags so  
439 issued shall be of such color and design as the State Tax  
440 Commission, with the advice of the Mississippi State Guard, may  
441 prescribe, shall bear the words "Mississippi State Guard," and  
442 shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be  
443 necessary to distinguish each license tag.

444 (2) The distinctive license tags authorized in this section  
445 shall be prepared by the State Tax Commission and shall be issued  
446 through the tax collectors of the several counties of the state in  
447 the same manner as are other motor vehicle license tags, and the  
448 tax collectors shall be entitled to their regular fees for their  
449 services. Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
450 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
451 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. Applicants for the  
452 distinctive license tags shall present to the tax collector proof  
453 of their membership in the Mississippi State Guard by means of a  
454 certificate signed by the commanding officer of the applicant on  
455 forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and  
456 the additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section,  
457 less Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax  
458 collector, shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a  
459 monthly basis as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the  
460 additional fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited  
461 into the county general fund.

462           (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
463 after July 1, 2001, any person applying for a distinctive license  
464 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
465 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
466 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
467 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
468 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established  
469 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
470 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
471 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
472 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
473 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
474 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
475 collector.

476           (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
477 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
478 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
479 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
480 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
481 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

482                   (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee  
483 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
484 section shall be deposited into the State General Fund.

485                   (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
486 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
487 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn  
488 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

489                   (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
490 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
491 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund



492 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
493 reconstruction of highways.

494 (5) The distinctive license tags shall be used only upon and  
495 for personally or jointly owned private passenger vehicles  
496 (including station wagons, recreational motor vehicles and pickup  
497 trucks) registered in the name, or jointly in the name, of the  
498 member making application therefor, and when so issued to the  
499 applicant, shall be used upon the vehicle for which issued in lieu  
500 of the standard license tag normally issued for the vehicle.

501 (6) The distinctive license tags issued under this section  
502 shall not be transferable between motor vehicle owners. If the  
503 owner of a vehicle bearing a distinctive license tag sells,  
504 trades, exchanges or otherwise disposes of the vehicle, the tag  
505 shall be retained by the owner to whom issued and returned by the  
506 owner to the tax collector of the county.

507 (7) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
508 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
509 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
510 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
511 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
512 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
513 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
514 tag.

515 (8) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
516 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
517 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
518 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
519 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
520 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
521 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee

522 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
523 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
524 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

525       SECTION 8. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
526 supporter of community social services programs sponsored by the  
527 Institute of Community Services, Incorporated, upon payment of the  
528 road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration  
529 fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers,  
530 pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon  
531 payment of an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection  
532 (3) of this section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for  
533 any motor vehicle registered in his name identifying such person  
534 as a supporter of the Institute of Community Services,  
535 Incorporated. The distinctive license tags so issued shall be of  
536 such color and design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice  
537 of the Institute of Community Services, Incorporated, may  
538 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,  
539 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

540       (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
541 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
542 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
543 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
544 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
545 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
546 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
547 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
548 county general fund.

549       (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
550 after July 1, 2001, any person applying for a distinctive license  
551 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount

552 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
553 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
554 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
555 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established  
556 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
557 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
558 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
559 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
560 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
561 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
562 collector.

563 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
564 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
565 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
566 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
567 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
568 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

569 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee  
570 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
571 section shall be distributed to the Institute of Community  
572 Services, Incorporated.

573 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
574 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
575 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn  
576 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

577 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
578 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
579 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
580 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
581 reconstruction of highways.

582 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
583 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
584 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
585 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
586 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
587 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
588 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
589 tag.

590 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
591 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
592 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
593 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
594 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
595 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
596 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
597 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
598 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
599 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

600 SECTION 9. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a member  
601 of Knights of Columbus, upon payment of the road and bridge  
602 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
603 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
604 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
605 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
606 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
607 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a member  
608 of Knights of Columbus. The distinctive license tags so issued  
609 shall be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission,  
610 with the advice of Knights of Columbus, may prescribe and shall  
611 consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary

612 to distinguish each license tag.

613       (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
614 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
615 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
616 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
617 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
618 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
619 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
620 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
621 county general fund.

622       (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
623 after July 1, 2001, any person applying for a distinctive license  
624 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
625 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
626 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
627 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
628 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established  
629 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
630 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
631 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
632 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
633 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
634 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
635 collector.

636       (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
637 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
638 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
639 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
640 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
641 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

642           (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee  
643 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
644 section shall be distributed to Knights of Columbus of  
645 Mississippi.

646           (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
647 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
648 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn  
649 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

650           (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
651 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
652 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
653 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
654 reconstruction of highways.

655           (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
656 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
657 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
658 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
659 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
660 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
661 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
662 tag.

663           (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
664 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
665 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
666 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
667 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
668 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
669 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
670 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
671 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular

672 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

673       SECTION 10. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
674 member of any society such as academic, professional, honorary,  
675 Masonic, or so-called Greek letter fraternities or sororities, or  
676 similar organization whether of a local or connectional character  
677 that is established under Section 37-111-1 et seq., upon payment  
678 of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and  
679 registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of  
680 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,  
681 and upon payment of an additional fee in the amount provided in  
682 subsection (3) of this section, shall be issued a distinctive  
683 license tag for any motor vehicle registered in his name  
684 identifying such person as a member of such a society or  
685 organization. The distinctive license tags so issued shall be of  
686 such color and design as the State Tax Commission may prescribe  
687 and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be  
688 necessary to distinguish each license tag.

689       (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
690 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
691 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
692 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
693 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
694 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
695 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
696 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
697 county general fund.

698       (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
699 after July 1, 2001, any person applying for a distinctive license  
700 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
701 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag

702 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
703 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
704 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established  
705 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
706 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
707 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
708 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
709 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
710 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
711 collector.

712 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
713 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
714 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
715 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
716 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
717 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

718 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee  
719 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
720 section shall be deposited into the State General Fund.

721 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
722 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
723 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn  
724 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

725 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
726 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
727 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
728 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
729 reconstruction of highways.

730 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
731 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under



732 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
733 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
734 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
735 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
736 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
737 tag.

738 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
739 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
740 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
741 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
742 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
743 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
744 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
745 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
746 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
747 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

748 SECTION 11. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
749 graduate of the United States Naval Academy, a student enrolled at  
750 the United States Naval Academy, a parent of a graduate of the  
751 United States Naval Academy or a parent of a student enrolled at  
752 the United States Naval Academy, upon complying with the motor  
753 vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor  
754 vehicles, and upon payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes,  
755 ad valorem taxes and registration fees as prescribed by law for  
756 private carriers of passengers, pickup trucks and other  
757 noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of an additional  
758 fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this section,  
759 shall be issued a distinctive license tag which displays the  
760 emblem of the United States Naval Academy. The distinctive  
761 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the

762 State Tax Commission may prescribe and shall consist of such  
763 letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish  
764 each license tag.

765 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
766 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
767 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
768 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
769 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
770 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
771 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
772 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
773 county general fund.

774 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
775 after July 1, 2001, any person applying for a distinctive license  
776 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
777 of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each distinctive license tag applied  
778 for under this section, which shall be in addition to all other  
779 taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a period of  
780 time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established license tag  
781 year. The additional fee is due and payable at the time the  
782 original application is made for a distinctive license tag under  
783 this section and thereafter annually at the time of renewal  
784 registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive license  
785 tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive license  
786 tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax collector.

787 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
788 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
789 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
790 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
791 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State

792 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

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

797           (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
798 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
799 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn  
800 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

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

806           (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
807 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
808 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
809 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
810 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
811 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
812 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
813 tag.

814           (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
815 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
816 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
817 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
818 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
819 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
820 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
821 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be

822 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
823 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

824 SECTION 12. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
825 and after July 1, 2001.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and  
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS  
2 TO MEMBERS OF LIONS OF MISSISSIPPI; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF  
3 DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS IN SUPPORT OF THE MISSISSIPPI VETERANS  
4 MONUMENT; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS IN  
5 SUPPORT OF MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC EDUCATION; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE  
6 OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO ACTIVE DUTY MEMBERS OF THE UNITED  
7 STATES ARMED SERVICES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE  
8 LICENSE TAGS FOR DULY ELECTED CONSTABLES; TO AUTHORIZE THE  
9 ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS FOR MEMBERS OF THE  
10 MISSISSIPPI STATE GUARD; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE  
11 LICENSE TAGS IN SUPPORT OF THE INSTITUTE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES,  
12 INCORPORATED; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE  
13 TAGS TO MEMBERS OF KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE  
14 OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO MEMBERS OF SOCIETIES SUCH AS  
15 ACADEMIC, PROFESSIONAL, HONORARY, MASONIC, OR SO-CALLED GREEK  
16 LETTER FRATERNITIES OR SORORITIES, OR SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS THAT  
17 ARE IN GOOD STANDING AT ANY OF THE EIGHT STATE INSTITUTIONS OF  
18 HIGHER LEARNING; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE  
19 TAGS TO GRADUATES OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY AND STUDENTS  
20 ENROLLED AT THE ACADEMY AND TO PARENTS OF SUCH GRADUATES AND  
21 STUDENTS; TO IMPOSE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE DISTINCTIVE LICENSE  
22 TAGS AUTHORIZED IN THIS ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF  
23 SUCH ADDITIONAL FEES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.