

*****Pending***
AMENDMENT No. 1 PROPOSED TO**

Senate Bill NO. 2501

By Representative(s) Committee

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

78 SECTION 1. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a member
79 of Lions of Mississippi, upon payment of the road and bridge
80 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
81 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
82 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
83 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
84 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor
85 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a member
86 of Lions of Mississippi. The distinctive license tags so issued
87 shall be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission,
88 with the advice of Lions of Mississippi, may prescribe and shall
89 consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary
90 to distinguish each license tag.

91 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
92 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
93 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
94 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
95 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
96 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
97 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional

98 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
99 county general fund.

100 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
101 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
102 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
103 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
104 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
105 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
106 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
107 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
108 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
109 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
110 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
111 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
112 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
113 collector.

114 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
115 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
116 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
117 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
118 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
119 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

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

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

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

133 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
134 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
135 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
136 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
137 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
138 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
139 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
140 tag.

141 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
142 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
143 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
144 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
145 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
146 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
147 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
148 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
149 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
150 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

151 **SECTION 2.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
152 resident of this state, upon complying with the motor vehicle laws
153 relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and upon
154 payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes
155 and registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of
156 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,
157 and upon payment of an additional fee in the amount provided in
158 subsection (3) of this section, shall be issued a distinctive
159 license tag in recognition of his support for the Mississippi
160 Veterans Monument. The distinctive license tags so issued shall
161 be of such color and design as may be determined finally by the
162 State Tax Commission based upon three (3) recommendations
163 presented to the State Tax Commission by the Mississippi Veterans
164 Monument Commission, and ranked in order of preference by the
165 Mississippi Veterans Monument Commission.

166 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
167 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms

168 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
169 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
170 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector as
171 a processing fee, shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on
172 a monthly basis as prescribed by the commission. The portion of
173 the additional fee retained by the tax collector shall be
174 deposited into the county general fund. Distinctive license tags
175 issued under this section shall be issued within forty-five (45)
176 days after application is made.

177 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
178 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
179 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
180 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
181 applied for under this section which shall be in addition to all
182 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
183 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
184 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
185 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
186 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
187 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
188 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
189 license tag, or if the owner sells or transfers the vehicle, he
190 may surrender the license tag to the local county tax collector
191 and receive a certificate of credit toward the purchase of a tag
192 on another vehicle as otherwise provided by law. Distinctive
193 license tags issued under this section may be transferred by the
194 owner to any other vehicle owned by him upon payment of the
195 regular taxes and fees for a license tag for that vehicle.

196 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
197 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
198 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
199 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of
200 distinctive license tags under this section. The State Treasurer
201 shall distribute such collections as follows:

202 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee

203 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
204 section shall be deposited into the special fund created in
205 subsection (7) of this section.

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

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

215 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
216 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
217 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
218 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
219 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
220 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
221 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
222 tag.

223 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
224 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
225 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
226 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
227 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
228 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
229 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
230 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
231 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
232 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

233 (7) There is established in the State Treasury a special
234 fund which shall consist of monies required to be deposited
235 therein under subsection (4) of this section. Monies in the
236 special fund, upon Legislative appropriation, may be expended by
237 the Mississippi Veterans Monument Commission for the purpose of

238 performing any of the duties of the commission under Chapter 15 of
239 Title 55, Mississippi Code of 1972. Unexpended amounts remaining
240 in the special fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not lapse
241 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment
242 earnings on amounts in the special fund shall be deposited to the
243 credit of the special fund.

244 **SECTION 3.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
245 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
246 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
247 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
248 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
249 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
250 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor
251 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
252 supporter of Mississippi public education. The distinctive
253 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the
254 State Tax Commission, with the advice of the State Board of
255 Education, may prescribe, and shall consist of such letters or
256 numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish each license
257 tag.

258 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
259 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
260 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
261 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
262 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
263 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
264 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
265 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
266 county general fund.

267 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
268 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
269 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
270 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
271 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
272 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a

273 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
274 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
275 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
276 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
277 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
278 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
279 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
280 collector.

281 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
282 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
283 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
284 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
285 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
286 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

287 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
288 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
289 section shall be deposited into the Public Education Support Fund
290 created under Section 4 of Senate Bill No. 2501, 2002 Regular
291 Session.

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

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

301 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
302 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
303 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
304 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
305 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
306 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
307 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license

308 tag.

309 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
310 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
311 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
312 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
313 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
314 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
315 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
316 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
317 distributed proportionately in the same manner as funds from the
318 sale of regular distinctive license tags issued under this
319 section.

320 **SECTION 4.** There is established in the State Treasury a fund
321 known as the "Mississippi Public Education Support Fund"
322 (hereinafter referred to as "fund"). The fund shall consist of
323 monies required to be deposited therein under Section 3 of Senate
324 Bill No. 2501, 2002 Regular Session, and such other monies as the
325 Legislature may authorize or direct to be deposited into the fund.
326 Monies in the fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, may be
327 expended by the Mississippi Department of Education for classroom
328 supplies, instructional materials and equipment, including
329 computers and computer software, to be distributed to all school
330 districts in the proportion that the average daily attendance of
331 each school district bears to the average daily attendance of all
332 school districts within the state. Unexpended amounts remaining
333 in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not lapse into the
334 State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment earnings
335 on amounts in the fund shall be deposited to the credit of the
336 fund.

337 **SECTION 5.** (1) In recognition of the patriotic services
338 rendered the United States, Mississippi and the citizens thereof,
339 any resident of the state who is on active duty with the Armed
340 Forces of the United States, upon payment of the road and bridge
341 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
342 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup

343 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
344 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
345 section, shall be issued a distinctive motor vehicle license plate
346 or tag identifying him as an active duty member of the United
347 States Armed Forces. The distinctive license tags so issued shall
348 be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission may
349 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,
350 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

351 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
352 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
353 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. Applicants for the
354 distinctive license tag shall present proof of their active duty
355 membership in the United States Armed Forces to the county tax
356 collector. The application and the additional fee imposed under
357 subsection (3) of this section, less Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be
358 retained by the tax collector, shall be remitted to the State Tax
359 Commission on a monthly basis as prescribed by the commission.
360 The portion of the additional fee retained by the tax collector
361 shall be deposited into the county general fund.

362 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
363 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
364 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
365 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
366 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
367 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
368 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
369 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
370 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
371 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
372 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
373 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
374 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
375 collector.

376 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
377 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,

378 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected
379 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute
380 such collections as follows:

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

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

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

396 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
397 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
398 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
399 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
400 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
401 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
402 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
403 tag.

404 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
405 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
406 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
407 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
408 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
409 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
410 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
411 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
412 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular

413 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

414 **SECTION 6.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a duly
415 elected constable, upon payment of the road and bridge privilege
416 taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as prescribed by law
417 for private carriers of passengers, pickup trucks and other
418 noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of an additional
419 fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this section,
420 shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor vehicle
421 registered in his name identifying the person as a constable. The
422 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and
423 design as the State Tax Commission may prescribe and shall consist
424 of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to
425 distinguish each license tag.

426 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
427 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
428 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
429 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
430 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
431 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
432 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
433 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
434 county general fund.

435 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
436 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
437 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
438 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
439 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
440 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
441 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
442 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
443 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
444 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
445 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
446 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
447 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax

448 collector.

449 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
450 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
451 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
452 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
453 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
454 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

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

458 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
459 on distinctive license tags issued under this section shall be
460 deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn Center
461 Fund created under Section 7-9-70.

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

467 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
468 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag issued
469 under this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered
470 to the tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag
471 under this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2)
472 license decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this
473 section, which will expire the same month and year as the regular
474 license tag.

475 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
476 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
477 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
478 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
479 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
480 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
481 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
482 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be

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

485 **SECTION 7.** (1) In recognition of their patriotic services
486 rendered the state and the citizens thereof, any owner of a motor
487 vehicle who is a member of the Mississippi State Guard established
488 under Section 33-5-51, upon application and payment of the road
489 and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees
490 as prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
491 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
492 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
493 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor
494 vehicle registered in his name identifying the person as a member
495 of the Mississippi State Guard. The distinctive license tags so
496 issued shall be of such color and design as the State Tax
497 Commission, with the advice of the Mississippi State Guard, may
498 prescribe, shall bear the words "Mississippi State Guard," and
499 shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be
500 necessary to distinguish each license tag.

501 (2) The distinctive license tags authorized in this section
502 shall be prepared by the State Tax Commission and shall be issued
503 through the tax collectors of the several counties of the state in
504 the same manner as are other motor vehicle license tags, and the
505 tax collectors shall be entitled to their regular fees for their
506 services. Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
507 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
508 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. Applicants for the
509 distinctive license tags shall present to the tax collector proof
510 of their membership in the Mississippi State Guard by means of a
511 certificate signed by the commanding officer of the applicant on
512 forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and
513 the additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section,
514 less Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax
515 collector, shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a
516 monthly basis as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the
517 additional fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited

518 into the county general fund.

519 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
520 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
521 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
522 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
523 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
524 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
525 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
526 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
527 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
528 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
529 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
530 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
531 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
532 collector.

533 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
534 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
535 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
536 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
537 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
538 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

539 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
540 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
541 section shall be deposited to the credit of a fund to be
542 administered by the board overseeing the veterans nursing homes in
543 this state for the benefit of indigent veterans who are residents
544 of such nursing homes.

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

549 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
550 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
551 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
552 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or

553 reconstruction of highways.

554 (5) The distinctive license tags shall be used only upon and
555 for personally or jointly owned private passenger vehicles
556 (including station wagons, recreational motor vehicles and pickup
557 trucks) registered in the name, or jointly in the name, of the
558 member making application therefor, and when so issued to the
559 applicant, shall be used upon the vehicle for which issued in lieu
560 of the standard license tag normally issued for the vehicle.

561 (6) The distinctive license tags issued under this section
562 shall not be transferable between motor vehicle owners. If the
563 owner of a vehicle bearing a distinctive license tag sells,
564 trades, exchanges or otherwise disposes of the vehicle, the tag
565 shall be retained by the owner to whom issued and returned by the
566 owner to the tax collector of the county.

567 (7) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
568 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag issued
569 under this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered
570 to the tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag
571 under this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2)
572 license decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this
573 section, which will expire the same month and year as the regular
574 license tag.

575 (8) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
576 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
577 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
578 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
579 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
580 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
581 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
582 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
583 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
584 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

585 **SECTION 8.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
586 supporter of community social services programs sponsored by the
587 Institute of Community Services, Incorporated, upon payment of the

588 road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration
589 fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers,
590 pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon
591 payment of an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection
592 (3) of this section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for
593 any motor vehicle registered in his name identifying such person
594 as a supporter of the Institute of Community Services,
595 Incorporated. The distinctive license tags so issued shall be of
596 such color and design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice
597 of the Institute of Community Services, Incorporated, may
598 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,
599 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

600 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
601 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
602 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
603 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
604 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
605 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
606 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
607 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
608 county general fund.

609 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
610 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
611 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
612 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
613 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
614 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
615 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
616 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
617 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
618 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
619 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
620 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
621 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
622 collector.

623 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
624 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
625 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
626 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
627 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
628 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

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

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

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

642 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
643 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag issued
644 under this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered
645 to the tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag
646 under this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2)
647 license decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this
648 section, which will expire the same month and year as the regular
649 license tag.

650 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
651 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
652 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
653 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
654 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
655 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
656 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
657 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be

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

660 **SECTION 9.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a member
661 of Knights of Columbus, upon payment of the road and bridge
662 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
663 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
664 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
665 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
666 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor
667 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a member
668 of Knights of Columbus. The distinctive license tags so issued
669 shall be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission,
670 with the advice of Knights of Columbus, may prescribe and shall
671 consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary
672 to distinguish each license tag.

673 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
674 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
675 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
676 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
677 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
678 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
679 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
680 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
681 county general fund.

682 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
683 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
684 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
685 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
686 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
687 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
688 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
689 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
690 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
691 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
692 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive

693 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
694 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
695 collector.

696 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
697 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
698 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
699 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
700 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
701 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

702 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
703 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
704 section shall be distributed to Knights of Columbus of
705 Mississippi.

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

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

715 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
716 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag issued
717 under this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered
718 to the tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag
719 under this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2)
720 license decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this
721 section, which will expire the same month and year as the regular
722 license tag.

723 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
724 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
725 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
726 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
727 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving

728 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
729 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
730 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
731 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
732 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

733 **SECTION 10.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
734 member of any society such as academic, professional, honorary,
735 Masonic, or so-called Greek letter fraternities or sororities, or
736 similar organization whether of a local or connectional character
737 that is established under Section 37-111-1 et seq., upon payment
738 of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and
739 registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of
740 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,
741 and upon payment of an additional fee in the amount provided in
742 subsection (3) of this section, shall be issued a distinctive
743 license tag for any motor vehicle registered in his name
744 identifying such person as a member of such a society or
745 organization. The distinctive license tags so issued shall be of
746 such color and design as the State Tax Commission may prescribe
747 and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be
748 necessary to distinguish each license tag.

749 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
750 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
751 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
752 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
753 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
754 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
755 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
756 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
757 county general fund.

758 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
759 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
760 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
761 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
762 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all

763 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
764 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
765 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
766 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
767 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
768 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
769 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
770 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
771 collector.

772 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
773 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
774 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
775 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
776 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
777 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

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

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

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

790 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
791 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag issued
792 under this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered
793 to the tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag
794 under this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2)
795 license decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this
796 section, which will expire the same month and year as the regular
797 license tag.

798 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
799 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
800 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
801 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
802 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
803 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
804 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
805 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
806 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
807 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

808 **SECTION 11.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
809 graduate of the United States Naval Academy, a student enrolled at
810 the United States Naval Academy, a parent of a graduate of the
811 United States Naval academy or a parent of a student enrolled at
812 the United States Naval Academy, upon complying with the motor
813 vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor
814 vehicles, and upon payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes,
815 ad valorem taxes and registration fees as prescribed by law for
816 private carriers of passengers, pickup trucks and other
817 noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of an additional
818 fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this section,
819 shall be issued a distinctive license tag which displays the
820 emblem of the United States Naval Academy. The distinctive
821 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the
822 State Tax Commission may prescribe and shall consist of such
823 letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish
824 each license tag.

825 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
826 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
827 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
828 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
829 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
830 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
831 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
832 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the

833 county general fund.

834 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
835 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
836 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
837 of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each distinctive license tag applied
838 for under this section, which shall be in addition to all other
839 taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a period of
840 time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established license tag
841 year. The additional fee is due and payable at the time the
842 original application is made for a distinctive license tag under
843 this section and thereafter annually at the time of renewal
844 registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive license
845 tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive license
846 tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax collector.

847 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
848 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
849 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
850 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
851 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
852 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

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

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

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

866 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
867 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag issued

868 under this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered
869 to the tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag
870 under this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2)
871 license decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this
872 section, which will expire the same month and year as the regular
873 license tag.

874 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
875 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
876 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
877 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
878 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
879 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
880 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
881 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
882 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
883 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

884 **SECTION 12.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
885 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
886 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
887 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
888 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
889 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
890 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor
891 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
892 supporter of the 4-H Club. The distinctive license tags so issued
893 shall be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission,
894 with the advice of the Mississippi 4-H Club Foundation, Inc., may
895 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,
896 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

897 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
898 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
899 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
900 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
901 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be
902 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as

903 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee
904 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county
905 general fund.

906 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
907 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
908 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
909 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
910 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
911 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
912 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
913 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
914 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
915 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
916 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
917 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
918 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
919 collector.

920 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
921 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
922 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected
923 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute
924 such collections as follows:

925 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
926 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
927 section shall be distributed to the Mississippi 4-H Club
928 Foundation, Inc.

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

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

938 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
939 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
940 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
941 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
942 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
943 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
944 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
945 tag.

946 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
947 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
948 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
949 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
950 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
951 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
952 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
953 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
954 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
955 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

956 **SECTION 13.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
957 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
958 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
959 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
960 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
961 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
962 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor
963 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
964 supporter of the Mississippi Future Farmers of America
965 Association. The distinctive license tags so issued shall be of
966 such color and design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice
967 of the Mississippi Future Farmers of America Association, may
968 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,
969 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

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

973 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
974 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be
975 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as
976 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee
977 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county
978 general fund.

979 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
980 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
981 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
982 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
983 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
984 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
985 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
986 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
987 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
988 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
989 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
990 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
991 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
992 collector.

993 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
994 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
995 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected
996 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute
997 such collections as follows:

998 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
999 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
1000 section shall be distributed to the Mississippi Future Farmers of
1001 America Association.

1002 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
1003 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
1004 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
1005 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

1006 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
1007 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this

1008 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
1009 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
1010 reconstruction of highways.

1011 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1012 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
1013 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
1014 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
1015 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
1016 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
1017 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
1018 tag.

1019 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1020 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1021 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1022 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1023 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1024 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1025 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1026 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1027 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1028 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1029 **SECTION 14.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1030 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
1031 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
1032 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
1033 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
1034 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
1035 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor
1036 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
1037 supporter of the North Delta Museum. The distinctive license tags
1038 so issued shall be of such color and design as the State Tax
1039 Commission, with the advice of the North Delta Archeological
1040 Association, Inc., may prescribe and shall consist of such letters
1041 or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish each
1042 license tag.

1043 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1044 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1045 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
1046 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
1047 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be
1048 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as
1049 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee
1050 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county
1051 general fund.

1052 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1053 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1054 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1055 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
1056 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
1057 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
1058 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
1059 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
1060 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
1061 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
1062 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
1063 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
1064 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
1065 collector.

1066 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
1067 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
1068 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected
1069 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute
1070 such collections as follows:

1071 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
1072 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
1073 section shall be distributed to the North Delta Archeological
1074 Association, Inc.

1075 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
1076 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
1077 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn

1078 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

1079 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
1080 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
1081 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
1082 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
1083 reconstruction of highways.

1084 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1085 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
1086 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
1087 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
1088 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
1089 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
1090 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
1091 tag.

1092 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1093 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1094 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1095 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1096 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1097 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1098 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1099 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1100 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1101 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1102 **SECTION 15.** (1) Owners of motor vehicles who are residents
1103 of this state, upon complying with the motor vehicle laws relating
1104 to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and upon payment
1105 of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and
1106 registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of
1107 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,
1108 and upon payment of an additional fee in the amount provided in
1109 subsection (3) of this section, shall be issued a distinctive
1110 license tag in recognition of their support for Keep Mississippi
1111 Beautiful, Inc. The distinctive license tags so issued shall be
1112 of such color and design as may be determined finally by the State

1113 Tax Commission based upon three (3) recommendations presented to
1114 the State Tax Commission by Keep Mississippi Beautiful, Inc., and
1115 ranked in order of preference by Keep Mississippi Beautiful, Inc.

1116 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1117 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1118 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
1119 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, plus
1120 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector as
1121 a processing fee, shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on
1122 a monthly basis as prescribed by the commission. The portion of
1123 the additional fee retained by the tax collector shall be
1124 deposited into the county general fund. Distinctive license tags
1125 issued under this section shall be issued within forty-five (45)
1126 days after application is made.

1127 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1128 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1129 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1130 of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each distinctive license tag
1131 applied for under this section which shall be in addition to all
1132 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
1133 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
1134 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
1135 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
1136 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
1137 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
1138 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
1139 license tag, or if the owner sells or transfers the vehicle, he
1140 may surrender the license tag to the local county tax collector
1141 and receive a certificate of credit toward the purchase of a tag
1142 on another vehicle as otherwise provided by law. Distinctive
1143 license tags issued under this section may be transferred by the
1144 owner to any other vehicle owned by the person upon payment of the
1145 regular taxes and fees for a license tag for that vehicle.

1146 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
1147 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,

1148 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
1149 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of
1150 distinctive license tags. The State Treasurer shall distribute an
1151 amount equal to Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) of the additional fees
1152 collected for each such distinctive license tag issued under this
1153 section to the Statewide Litter Prevention Fund created under
1154 Section 65-1-167. Monies in the special fund, upon legislative
1155 appropriation, may be expended as provided in Section 65-1-167.

1156 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1157 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
1158 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
1159 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
1160 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
1161 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
1162 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
1163 tag.

1164 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1165 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1166 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1167 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1168 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1169 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1170 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1171 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1172 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1173 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1174 **SECTION 16.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is an
1175 aircraft pilot licensed by the Federal Aviation Administration,
1176 upon payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem
1177 taxes and registration fees as prescribed by law for private
1178 carriers of passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial
1179 motor vehicles, and upon payment of an additional fee in the
1180 amount provided in subsection (3) of this section, shall be issued
1181 a distinctive license tag for any motor vehicle registered in his
1182 name identifying such person as a private aircraft pilot or a

1183 commercial aircraft pilot. The distinctive license tags so issued
1184 shall be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission may
1185 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,
1186 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

1187 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1188 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1189 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
1190 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
1191 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
1192 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
1193 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
1194 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
1195 county general fund.

1196 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1197 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1198 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1199 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
1200 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
1201 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
1202 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
1203 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
1204 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
1205 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
1206 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
1207 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
1208 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
1209 collector.

1210 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
1211 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
1212 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
1213 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
1214 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
1215 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1216 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
1217 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this

1218 section shall be distributed to the Air Safety Foundation of the
1219 Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association.

1220 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
1221 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
1222 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
1223 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

1224 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
1225 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
1226 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
1227 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
1228 reconstruction of highways.

1229 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1230 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
1231 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
1232 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
1233 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
1234 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
1235 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
1236 tag.

1237 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1238 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1239 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1240 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1241 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1242 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1243 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1244 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1245 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1246 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1247 **SECTION 17.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1248 graduate of the United States Military Academy, a student enrolled
1249 at the United States Military Academy, a parent of a graduate of
1250 the United States Military Academy or a parent of a student
1251 enrolled at the United States Military Academy, upon complying
1252 with the motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing

1253 of motor vehicles, and upon payment of the road and bridge
1254 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
1255 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
1256 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
1257 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
1258 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag which displays
1259 the emblem of the United States Military Academy. The distinctive
1260 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the
1261 State Tax Commission may prescribe and shall consist of such
1262 letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish
1263 each license tag.

1264 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1265 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1266 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
1267 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
1268 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
1269 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
1270 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
1271 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
1272 county general fund.

1273 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1274 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1275 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1276 of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each distinctive license tag applied
1277 for under this section, which shall be in addition to all other
1278 taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a period of
1279 time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established license tag
1280 year. The additional fee is due and payable at the time the
1281 original application is made for a distinctive license tag under
1282 this section and thereafter annually at the time of renewal
1283 registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive license
1284 tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive license
1285 tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax collector.

1286 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
1287 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,

1288 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
1289 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
1290 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
1291 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1292 (a) Thirty-two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$32.50) of each
1293 additional fee collected on distinctive license tags issued
1294 pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the State General
1295 Fund.

1296 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
1297 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
1298 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
1299 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

1300 (c) Fourteen Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$14.50) of each
1301 additional fee collected on distinctive license tags issued
1302 pursuant to this section shall be deposited to the credit of the
1303 State Highway Fund to be expended solely for the repair,
1304 maintenance, construction or reconstruction of highways.

1305 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1306 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag issued
1307 under this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered
1308 to the tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag
1309 under this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2)
1310 license decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this
1311 section, which will expire the same month and year as the regular
1312 license tag.

1313 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1314 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1315 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1316 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1317 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1318 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1319 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1320 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1321 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1322 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1323 **SECTION 18.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1324 graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy, a student
1325 enrolled at the United States Coast Guard Academy, a parent of a
1326 graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy or a parent of a
1327 student enrolled at the United States Coast Guard Academy, upon
1328 complying with the motor vehicle laws relating to registration and
1329 licensing of motor vehicles, and upon payment of the road and
1330 bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
1331 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
1332 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
1333 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
1334 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag which displays
1335 the emblem of the United States Coast Guard Academy. The
1336 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and
1337 design as the State Tax Commission may prescribe and shall consist
1338 of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to
1339 distinguish each license tag.

1340 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1341 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1342 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
1343 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
1344 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
1345 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
1346 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
1347 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
1348 county general fund.

1349 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1350 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1351 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1352 of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each distinctive license tag applied
1353 for under this section, which shall be in addition to all other
1354 taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a period of
1355 time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established license tag
1356 year. The additional fee is due and payable at the time the
1357 original application is made for a distinctive license tag under

1358 this section and thereafter annually at the time of renewal
1359 registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive license
1360 tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive license
1361 tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax collector.

1362 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
1363 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
1364 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
1365 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
1366 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
1367 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1368 (a) Thirty-two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$32.50) of each
1369 additional fee collected on distinctive license tags issued
1370 pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the State General
1371 Fund.

1372 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
1373 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
1374 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
1375 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

1376 (c) Fourteen Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$14.50) of each
1377 additional fee collected on distinctive license tags issued
1378 pursuant to this section shall be deposited to the credit of the
1379 State Highway Fund to be expended solely for the repair,
1380 maintenance, construction or reconstruction of highways.

1381 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1382 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag issued
1383 under this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered
1384 to the tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag
1385 under this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2)
1386 license decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this
1387 section, which will expire the same month and year as the regular
1388 license tag.

1389 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1390 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1391 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1392 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license

1393 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1394 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1395 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1396 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1397 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1398 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1399 **SECTION 19.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1400 graduate of the United States Merchant Marine Academy, a student
1401 enrolled at the United States Merchant Marine Academy, a parent of
1402 a graduate of the United States Merchant Marine Academy or a
1403 parent of a student enrolled at the United States Merchant marine
1404 Academy, upon complying with the motor vehicle laws relating to
1405 registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and upon payment of
1406 the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and
1407 registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of
1408 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,
1409 and upon payment of an additional fee in the amount provided in
1410 subsection (3) of this section, shall be issued a distinctive
1411 license tag which displays the emblem of the United States
1412 Merchant Marines Academy. The distinctive license tags so issued
1413 shall be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission may
1414 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,
1415 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

1416 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1417 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1418 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
1419 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
1420 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
1421 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
1422 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
1423 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
1424 county general fund.

1425 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1426 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1427 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount

1428 of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each distinctive license tag applied
1429 for under this section, which shall be in addition to all other
1430 taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a period of
1431 time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established license tag
1432 year. The additional fee is due and payable at the time the
1433 original application is made for a distinctive license tag under
1434 this section and thereafter annually at the time of renewal
1435 registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive license
1436 tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive license
1437 tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax collector.

1438 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
1439 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
1440 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
1441 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
1442 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
1443 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1444 (a) Thirty-two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$32.50) of each
1445 additional fee collected on distinctive license tags issued
1446 pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the State General
1447 Fund.

1448 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
1449 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
1450 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
1451 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

1452 (c) Fourteen Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$14.50) of each
1453 additional fee collected on distinctive license tags issued
1454 pursuant to this section shall be deposited to the credit of the
1455 State Highway Fund to be expended solely for the repair,
1456 maintenance, construction or reconstruction of highways.

1457 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1458 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag issued
1459 under this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered
1460 to the tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag
1461 under this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2)
1462 license decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this

1463 section, which will expire the same month and year as the regular
1464 license tag.

1465 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1466 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1467 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1468 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1469 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1470 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1471 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1472 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1473 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1474 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1475 **SECTION 20.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1476 graduate of the United States Air Force Academy, a student
1477 enrolled at the United States Air Force Academy, a parent of a
1478 graduate of the United States Air Force Academy or a parent of a
1479 student enrolled at the United States Air Force Academy, upon
1480 complying with the motor vehicle laws relating to registration and
1481 licensing of motor vehicles, and upon payment of the road and
1482 bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
1483 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
1484 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
1485 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
1486 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag which displays
1487 the emblem of the United States Air Force Academy. The
1488 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and
1489 design as the State Tax Commission may prescribe and shall consist
1490 of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to
1491 distinguish each license tag.

1492 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1493 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1494 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
1495 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
1496 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
1497 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis

1498 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
1499 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
1500 county general fund.

1501 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1502 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1503 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1504 of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each distinctive license tag applied
1505 for under this section, which shall be in addition to all other
1506 taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a period of
1507 time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established license tag
1508 year. The additional fee is due and payable at the time the
1509 original application is made for a distinctive license tag under
1510 this section and thereafter annually at the time of renewal
1511 registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive license
1512 tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive license
1513 tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax collector.

1514 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
1515 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
1516 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
1517 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
1518 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
1519 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1520 (a) Thirty-two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$32.50) of each
1521 additional fee collected on distinctive license tags issued
1522 pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the State General
1523 Fund.

1524 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
1525 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
1526 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
1527 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

1528 (c) Fourteen Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$14.50) of each
1529 additional fee collected on distinctive license tags issued
1530 pursuant to this section shall be deposited to the credit of the
1531 State Highway Fund to be expended solely for the repair,
1532 maintenance, construction or reconstruction of highways.

1533 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1534 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag issued
1535 under this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered
1536 to the tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag
1537 under this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2)
1538 license decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this
1539 section, which will expire the same month and year as the regular
1540 license tag.

1541 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1542 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1543 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1544 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1545 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1546 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1547 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1548 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1549 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1550 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1551 **SECTION 21.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1552 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
1553 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
1554 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
1555 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
1556 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
1557 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor
1558 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
1559 supporter of the Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters. The
1560 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and
1561 design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice of the
1562 Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters, may prescribe and shall
1563 consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary
1564 to distinguish each license tag.

1565 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1566 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1567 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the

1568 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
1569 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be
1570 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as
1571 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee
1572 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county
1573 general fund.

1574 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1575 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1576 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1577 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
1578 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
1579 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
1580 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
1581 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
1582 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
1583 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
1584 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
1585 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
1586 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
1587 collector.

1588 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
1589 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
1590 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected
1591 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute
1592 such collections as follows:

1593 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
1594 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
1595 section shall be distributed to the Mississippi Institute for Arts
1596 and Letters.

1597 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
1598 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
1599 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
1600 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

1601 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
1602 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this

1603 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
1604 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
1605 reconstruction of highways.

1606 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1607 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
1608 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
1609 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
1610 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
1611 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
1612 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
1613 tag.

1614 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1615 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1616 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1617 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1618 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1619 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1620 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1621 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1622 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1623 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1624 **SECTION 22.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1625 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
1626 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
1627 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
1628 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
1629 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
1630 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor
1631 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
1632 supporter of the Mississippi Walking Horse Association. The
1633 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and
1634 design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice of the
1635 Mississippi Walking Horse Association, may prescribe and shall
1636 consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary
1637 to distinguish each license tag.

1638 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1639 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1640 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
1641 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
1642 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be
1643 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as
1644 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee
1645 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county
1646 general fund.

1647 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1648 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1649 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1650 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
1651 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
1652 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
1653 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
1654 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
1655 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
1656 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
1657 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
1658 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
1659 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
1660 collector.

1661 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
1662 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
1663 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected
1664 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute
1665 such collections as follows:

1666 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
1667 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
1668 section shall be distributed to the Mississippi Walking Horse
1669 Association.

1670 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
1671 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
1672 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn

1673 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

1674 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
1675 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
1676 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
1677 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
1678 reconstruction of highways.

1679 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1680 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
1681 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
1682 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
1683 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
1684 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
1685 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
1686 tag.

1687 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1688 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1689 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1690 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1691 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1692 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1693 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1694 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1695 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1696 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1697 **SECTION 23.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1698 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
1699 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
1700 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
1701 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
1702 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
1703 section, shall be issued a distinctive trauma care license tag for
1704 each motor vehicle registered in his name. The distinctive
1705 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the
1706 State Tax Commission, with the advice of the Emergency Medical
1707 Services Advisory Council created under Section 41-59-7, may

1708 prescribe. The words "Preventing Injuries" shall be centered at
1709 the bottom of the license tag. The State Tax Commission shall
1710 prescribe such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to
1711 distinguish each license tag.

1712 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1713 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1714 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
1715 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
1716 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be
1717 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as
1718 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee
1719 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county
1720 general fund.

1721 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1722 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1723 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1724 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
1725 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
1726 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
1727 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
1728 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
1729 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
1730 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
1731 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
1732 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
1733 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
1734 collector.

1735 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
1736 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
1737 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected
1738 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute
1739 such collections as follows:

1740 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
1741 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
1742 section shall be deposited into the Mississippi Trauma Care

1743 Systems Fund established in Section 41-59-75.

1744 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
1745 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
1746 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
1747 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

1748 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
1749 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
1750 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
1751 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
1752 reconstruction of highways.

1753 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1754 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
1755 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
1756 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
1757 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
1758 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
1759 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
1760 tag.

1761 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1762 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1763 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1764 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1765 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1766 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1767 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1768 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1769 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1770 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1771 **SECTION 24.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1772 retired member of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol and who is
1773 a resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
1774 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
1775 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
1776 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
1777 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this

1778 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor
1779 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
1780 retired member of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol. The
1781 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and
1782 design as the State Tax Commission may prescribe and shall consist
1783 of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to
1784 distinguish each license tag and may, in the discretion of the
1785 State Tax Commission, display the county name.

1786 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1787 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1788 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. Applicants for such
1789 distinctive license tags shall present proof that they are a
1790 retired member of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol by
1791 presentation of a signed and notarized affidavit from the
1792 Commissioner of Public Safety. The application and the additional
1793 fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less Two Dollars
1794 (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector, shall be
1795 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as
1796 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee
1797 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county
1798 general fund.

1799 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1800 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1801 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1802 of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each distinctive license tag applied
1803 for under this section which shall be in addition to all other
1804 taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a period of
1805 time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established license tag
1806 year. The additional fee is due and payable at the time the
1807 original application is made for a distinctive license tag under
1808 this section and thereafter annually at the time of renewal
1809 registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive license
1810 tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive license
1811 tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax collector.

1812 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the

1813 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
1814 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
1815 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of
1816 distinctive license tags. The State Treasurer shall distribute an
1817 amount equal to Seven Dollars (\$7.00) of the additional fees
1818 collected for each such distinctive license tag issued under this
1819 section to the State General Fund, and the remainder of such
1820 additional fees collected shall be distributed by the State
1821 Treasurer to the credit of the special fund created in Section
1822 45-2-1.

1823 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1824 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
1825 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
1826 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
1827 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
1828 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
1829 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
1830 tag.

1831 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1832 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1833 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1834 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1835 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1836 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1837 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1838 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1839 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1840 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1841 **SECTION 25.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1842 member of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Mississippi, Free and
1843 Accepted Ancient Yorkrite Masons, upon complying with the motor
1844 vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor
1845 vehicles, and upon payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes,
1846 ad valorem taxes and registration fees as prescribed by law for
1847 private carriers of passengers, pickup trucks and other

1848 noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of an additional
1849 annual fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
1850 section, shall be entitled to a special license tag which displays
1851 the Prince Hall Grand Lodge Mason emblem and displays the letters
1852 "F&AAYM." The tags shall be of such color and design as the State
1853 Tax Commission shall prescribe subject to the approval of the
1854 Mississippi License Tag Commission.

1855 (2) Application for the special license tags authorized by
1856 this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1857 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. Applicants for such
1858 distinctive license tags shall present to the issuing official
1859 documentation from the Free and Accepted Ancient Yorkrite Masons,
1860 Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Mississippi as prescribed by the State
1861 Tax Commission showing their membership in the Free and Accepted
1862 Ancient Yorkrite Masons, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Mississippi.
1863 The application and the additional fee imposed under subsection
1864 (3) of this section, less Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be
1865 retained by the tax collector, shall be remitted to the State Tax
1866 Commission on a monthly basis as prescribed by the commission.
1867 The portion of the additional fee retained by the tax collector
1868 shall be deposited into the county general fund.

1869 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1870 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1871 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1872 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
1873 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
1874 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
1875 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
1876 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
1877 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
1878 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
1879 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
1880 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
1881 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
1882 collector.

1883 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
1884 State Treasury on the day received. At the end of each month, the
1885 State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected under
1886 this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute such
1887 collections as follows:

1888 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
1889 collected on special license tags shall be deposited in a special
1890 fund hereby created in the State Treasury to the credit of the
1891 Free and Accepted Ancient Yorkrite Masons, Prince Hall Grand Lodge
1892 of Mississippi. The funds shall be available for expenditure at
1893 the discretion of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Mississippi.

1894 (b) The remainder of each such additional fee shall be
1895 deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund to be expended
1896 solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or reconstruction
1897 of highways.

1898 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1899 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
1900 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
1901 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
1902 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
1903 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
1904 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
1905 tag.

1906 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1907 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1908 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1909 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1910 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1911 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1912 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
1913 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1914 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1915 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1916 SECTION 26. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1917 resident of this state and who is a member of the clergy, upon

1918 payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes
1919 and registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of
1920 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,
1921 and upon payment of an additional fee in the amount provided in
1922 subsection (3) of this section, shall be issued a distinctive
1923 license tag for any motor vehicle registered in his name
1924 identifying such person as a member of the clergy. The
1925 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and
1926 design as the State Tax Commission may prescribe and shall consist
1927 of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to
1928 distinguish each license tag.

1929 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
1930 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
1931 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
1932 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
1933 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
1934 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
1935 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
1936 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
1937 county general fund.

1938 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
1939 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
1940 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
1941 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
1942 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
1943 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
1944 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
1945 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
1946 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
1947 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
1948 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
1949 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
1950 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
1951 collector.

1952 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the

1953 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
1954 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
1955 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
1956 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
1957 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1958 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
1959 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
1960 section shall be distributed to the Mississippi state office of
1961 the Boys and Girls Clubs of America to be distributed evenly among
1962 the Boys and Girls Clubs of America located in the State of
1963 Mississippi.

1964 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
1965 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
1966 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
1967 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

1968 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
1969 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
1970 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
1971 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
1972 reconstruction of highways.

1973 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
1974 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
1975 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
1976 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
1977 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
1978 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
1979 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
1980 tag.

1981 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
1982 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
1983 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
1984 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
1985 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
1986 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
1987 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee

1988 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
1989 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
1990 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1991 **SECTION 27.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
1992 resident of this state and who is a member or supporter of Delta
1993 Sigma Theta Sorority, upon payment of the road and bridge
1994 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
1995 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
1996 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
1997 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
1998 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor
1999 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a member
2000 or supporter of such organization. The distinctive license tags
2001 so issued shall display the Greek letters of the organization,
2002 shall be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission may
2003 prescribe, and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,
2004 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

2005 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
2006 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
2007 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
2008 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
2009 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
2010 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
2011 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
2012 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
2013 county general fund.

2014 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
2015 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
2016 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
2017 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
2018 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
2019 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
2020 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2021 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2022 time the original application is made for a distinctive license

2023 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2024 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
2025 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2026 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2027 collector.

2028 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2029 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
2030 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
2031 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
2032 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
2033 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

2034 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
2035 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2036 section shall be distributed to the Oxford Alumnae Chapter of
2037 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

2038 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
2039 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
2040 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
2041 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

2042 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
2043 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2044 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
2045 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
2046 reconstruction of highways.

2047 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2048 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2049 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2050 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2051 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
2052 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
2053 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
2054 tag.

2055 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
2056 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
2057 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by

2058 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
2059 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
2060 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
2061 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
2062 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
2063 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
2064 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2065 **SECTION 28.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
2066 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
2067 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
2068 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
2069 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
2070 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
2071 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor
2072 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
2073 supporter of the Boys Scouts of America. Subject to the approval
2074 of the State Tax Commission, the distinctive license tags so
2075 issued shall be of such color and design as the Andrew Jackson
2076 Council, Boy Scouts of America, may prescribe and shall consist of
2077 such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to
2078 distinguish each license tag.

2079 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
2080 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
2081 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
2082 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
2083 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
2084 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
2085 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
2086 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
2087 county general fund.

2088 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
2089 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
2090 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
2091 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
2092 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all

2093 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
2094 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2095 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2096 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
2097 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2098 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
2099 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2100 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2101 collector.

2102 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2103 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
2104 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
2105 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
2106 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
2107 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

2108 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
2109 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2110 section shall be distributed to the Andrew Jackson Council, Boys
2111 Scouts of America, or its successor by merger or otherwise. The
2112 Andrew Jackson Council shall distribute the fees so received to
2113 the councils of the Boy Scouts of America with council boundaries
2114 covering any part of the State of Mississippi, including the
2115 Andrew Jackson Council, with the fees to be distributed to each of
2116 those councils on the basis of the fees generated by the purchase
2117 of the distinctive license tags within the counties covered by the
2118 particular council boundary. The State Tax Commission shall
2119 furnish to the Andrew Jackson Council such information as is
2120 necessary for the Andrew Jackson Council to distribute the fees in
2121 the manner herein provided. The Andrew Jackson Council is
2122 authorized to deduct an administrative fee from the fees
2123 distributed to the councils in such amount as is approved by the
2124 individual councils receiving the fees to be distributed.

2125 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
2126 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
2127 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn

2128 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

2129 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
2130 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2131 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
2132 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
2133 reconstruction of highways.

2134 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2135 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2136 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2137 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2138 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
2139 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
2140 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
2141 tag.

2142 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
2143 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
2144 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
2145 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
2146 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
2147 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
2148 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
2149 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
2150 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
2151 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2152 **SECTION 29.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
2153 resident of this state, upon complying with the motor vehicle laws
2154 relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and upon
2155 payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes
2156 and registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of
2157 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,
2158 and upon payment of an additional annual fee in the amount
2159 provided in subsection (3) of this section, shall be privileged to
2160 obtain one distinctive motor vehicle license plate or tag for each
2161 motor vehicle registered in his name identifying him as a
2162 supporter of Mississippi agriculture. The tags shall depict the

2163 image of a cotton boll, shall be of such color and design as the
2164 State Tax Commission shall prescribe, subject to the approval of
2165 the Mississippi License Tag Commission, and shall consist of such
2166 letters or numbers or both as may be necessary to distinguish each
2167 license tag.

2168 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
2169 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
2170 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
2171 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
2172 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be
2173 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as
2174 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee
2175 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county
2176 general fund.

2177 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
2178 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
2179 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
2180 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
2181 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
2182 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
2183 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2184 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2185 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
2186 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2187 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
2188 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2189 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2190 collector.

2191 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2192 State Treasury on the day received. At the end of each month, the
2193 State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected under
2194 this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute such
2195 collections as follows:

2196 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
2197 collected on distinctive license tags issued under this section

2198 shall be deposited into a special fund that is created in the
2199 State Treasury to be known as the "Agriculture Distinctive License
2200 Tag Fund." Monies in the fund may be expended, upon legislative
2201 appropriation, by the Mississippi Department of Agriculture to
2202 help defray the operating expenses of the department.

2203 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
2204 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
2205 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
2206 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

2207 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
2208 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2209 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
2210 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
2211 reconstruction of highways.

2212 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2213 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2214 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2215 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2216 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
2217 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
2218 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
2219 tag.

2220 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
2221 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
2222 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
2223 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
2224 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
2225 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
2226 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
2227 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
2228 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
2229 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2230 **SECTION 30.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
2231 resident of this state, upon complying with the motor vehicle laws
2232 relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and upon

2233 payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes
2234 and registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of
2235 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,
2236 and upon payment of an additional annual fee in the amount
2237 provided in subsection (3) of this section, shall be entitled to a
2238 special license tag that demonstrates the applicant's support for
2239 autism awareness. The tags shall be of such color and design as
2240 the State Tax Commission shall prescribe subject to the approval
2241 of the Mississippi License Tag Commission; however each tag shall
2242 display the design of an interlocking puzzle strip with the name
2243 "Autism Awareness," and shall consist of such letters or numbers,
2244 or both, as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

2245 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
2246 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
2247 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
2248 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
2249 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be
2250 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as
2251 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee
2252 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county
2253 general fund.

2254 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
2255 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
2256 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
2257 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
2258 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
2259 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
2260 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2261 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2262 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
2263 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2264 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
2265 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2266 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2267 collector.

2268 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2269 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
2270 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected
2271 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute
2272 such collections as follows:

2273 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
2274 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2275 section shall be distributed to the statewide nonprofit
2276 organization, "Together Enhancing Autism Awareness in Mississippi"
2277 (TEAAM).

2278 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
2279 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
2280 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
2281 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

2282 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
2283 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2284 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
2285 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
2286 reconstruction of highways.

2287 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2288 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2289 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2290 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2291 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
2292 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
2293 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
2294 tag.

2295 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
2296 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
2297 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
2298 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
2299 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
2300 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
2301 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
2302 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be

2303 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
2304 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2305 SECTION 31. (1) In recognition of the patriotic services
2306 rendered by Mississippians who are recipients of the Bronze Star
2307 or the Silver Star, any such person, upon complying with the motor
2308 vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor
2309 vehicles, and upon payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes,
2310 ad valorem taxes and registration fees as prescribed by law for
2311 private carriers of passengers, pickup trucks and other
2312 noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of an additional
2313 annual fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
2314 section, shall be privileged to obtain one distinctive motor
2315 vehicle license plate or tag for each motor vehicle registered in
2316 his name identifying him as a recipient of the Bronze Star or the
2317 Silver Star. The tags shall be of such color and design as the
2318 State Tax Commission shall prescribe, subject to the approval of
2319 the Mississippi License Tag Commission, and shall consist of such
2320 letters or numbers or both as may be necessary to distinguish each
2321 license tag.

2322 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags shall be
2323 made to the county tax collector on forms prescribed by the State
2324 Tax Commission. Applicants for such distinctive license tags
2325 shall present to the issuing official written proof that the
2326 applicant is a recipient of the Bronze Star or Silver Star. The
2327 application and the additional fee, less Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be
2328 retained by the tax collector, shall be remitted to the State Tax
2329 Commission on a monthly basis as prescribed by the commission.
2330 The portion of the additional fee retained by the tax collector
2331 shall be deposited into the county general fund.

2332 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
2333 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
2334 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
2335 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
2336 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
2337 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a

2338 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2339 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2340 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
2341 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2342 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
2343 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2344 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2345 collector.

2346 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2347 State Treasury on the day received. At the end of each month, the
2348 State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected under
2349 this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute such
2350 collections as follows:

2351 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
2352 collected on distinctive license tags issued under this section
2353 shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of a
2354 special fund to be administered by the board overseeing the
2355 veterans nursing homes in this state for the benefit of indigent
2356 veterans who are residents of such nursing homes.

2357 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
2358 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
2359 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
2360 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

2361 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
2362 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2363 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
2364 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
2365 reconstruction of highways.

2366 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2367 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2368 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2369 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2370 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
2371 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
2372 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license

2373 tag.

2374 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
2375 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
2376 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
2377 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
2378 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
2379 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
2380 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
2381 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
2382 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
2383 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2384 **SECTION 32.** (1) Upon application by any legal resident of
2385 the State of Mississippi who is diabetic, the State Tax Commission
2386 shall prepare and issue through the county tax collectors a
2387 special license plate for not more than one (1) vehicle that is
2388 registered in the applicant's name. The initial application shall
2389 be accompanied by the certification of a licensed physician that
2390 the applicant meets the definition of a diabetic as set forth in
2391 subsection (2) of this section. An applicant for the special
2392 license plate shall not be required to pay any fee or charge for
2393 the issuance of such license plate separate from or in addition to
2394 the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and
2395 registration fees otherwise required by law to be paid for the
2396 issuance of a regular license plate for the vehicle. The special
2397 license plate shall be of such color and design as the State Tax
2398 Commission may prescribe and shall consist of such letters,
2399 numbers or both as may be necessary to distinguish each license
2400 plate.

2401 (2) For the purpose of this section, the term "diabetic"
2402 means a person who is affected with diabetes, including, Type I,
2403 Type II, Gestational or any secondary form of diabetes regardless
2404 of mode of treatment, age of onset or duration of the disease.

2405 **SECTION 33.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
2406 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
2407 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as

2408 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
2409 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
2410 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
2411 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor
2412 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
2413 supporter of the Petal, Mississippi, School District. The
2414 distinctive license tags so issued shall display the words "Petal
2415 School District" and shall be of such color and design as the
2416 State Tax Commission, with the advice of the Petal Education
2417 Foundation, may prescribe and shall consist of such letters or
2418 numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish each license
2419 tag.

2420 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
2421 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
2422 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
2423 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
2424 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
2425 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
2426 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
2427 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
2428 county general fund.

2429 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
2430 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
2431 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
2432 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
2433 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
2434 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
2435 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2436 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2437 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
2438 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2439 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
2440 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2441 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2442 collector.

2443 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2444 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
2445 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
2446 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
2447 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
2448 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

2449 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
2450 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2451 section shall be deposited into the special fund created in
2452 subsection (7) of this section.

2453 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
2454 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
2455 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
2456 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

2457 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
2458 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2459 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
2460 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
2461 reconstruction of highways.

2462 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2463 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2464 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2465 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2466 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
2467 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
2468 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
2469 tag.

2470 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
2471 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
2472 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
2473 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
2474 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
2475 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
2476 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
2477 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be

2478 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
2479 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2480 (7) There is established in the State Treasury a special
2481 fund which shall consist of monies required to be deposited
2482 therein under subsection (4) of this section. Monies in the
2483 special fund, upon legislative appropriation, may be expended by
2484 the Mississippi Department of Education for classroom supplies,
2485 instructional materials and equipment, including computers and
2486 computer software, to be distributed to all school districts in
2487 the proportion that the average daily attendance of each school
2488 district bears to the average daily attendance of all school
2489 districts within the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the
2490 special fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not lapse into
2491 the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment
2492 earnings on amounts in the special fund shall be deposited to the
2493 credit of the special fund.

2494 **SECTION 34.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
2495 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
2496 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
2497 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
2498 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
2499 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
2500 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor
2501 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
2502 supporter of the DeSoto County, Mississippi, School District. The
2503 distinctive license tags so issued shall display the words "DeSoto
2504 County School District" and shall be of such color and design as
2505 the State Tax Commission, with the advice of the DeSoto County,
2506 Mississippi, School District, may prescribe and shall consist of
2507 such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to
2508 distinguish each license tag.

2509 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
2510 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
2511 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
2512 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less

2513 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
2514 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
2515 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
2516 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
2517 county general fund.

2518 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
2519 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
2520 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
2521 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
2522 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
2523 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
2524 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2525 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2526 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
2527 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2528 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
2529 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2530 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2531 collector.

2532 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2533 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
2534 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
2535 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
2536 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
2537 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

2538 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
2539 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2540 section shall be deposited into the special fund created in
2541 subsection (7) of this section.

2542 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
2543 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
2544 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
2545 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

2546 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
2547 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this

2548 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
2549 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
2550 reconstruction of highways.

2551 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2552 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2553 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2554 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2555 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
2556 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
2557 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
2558 tag.

2559 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
2560 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
2561 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
2562 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
2563 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
2564 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
2565 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
2566 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
2567 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
2568 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2569 (7) There is established in the State Treasury a special
2570 fund which shall consist of monies required to be deposited
2571 therein under subsection (4) of this section. Monies in the
2572 special fund, upon legislative appropriation, may be expended by
2573 the Mississippi Department of Education for classroom supplies,
2574 instructional materials and equipment, including computers and
2575 computer software, to be distributed to all school districts in
2576 the proportion that the average daily attendance of each school
2577 district bears to the average daily attendance of all school
2578 districts within the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the
2579 special fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not lapse into
2580 the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment
2581 earnings on amounts in the special fund shall be deposited to the
2582 credit of the special fund.

2583 **SECTION 35.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
2584 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
2585 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
2586 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
2587 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
2588 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
2589 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor
2590 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
2591 supporter of the Simpson County, Mississippi, School District.
2592 The distinctive license tags so issued shall display the words
2593 "Simpson County School District" and shall be of such color and
2594 design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice of the Simpson
2595 County, Mississippi, School District, may prescribe and shall
2596 consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary
2597 to distinguish each license tag.

2598 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
2599 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
2600 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
2601 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
2602 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
2603 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
2604 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
2605 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
2606 county general fund.

2607 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
2608 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
2609 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
2610 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
2611 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
2612 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
2613 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2614 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2615 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
2616 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2617 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive

2618 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2619 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2620 collector.

2621 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2622 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
2623 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
2624 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
2625 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
2626 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

2627 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
2628 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2629 section shall be deposited into the special fund created in
2630 subsection (7) of this section.

2631 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
2632 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
2633 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
2634 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

2635 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
2636 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2637 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
2638 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
2639 reconstruction of highways.

2640 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2641 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2642 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2643 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2644 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
2645 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
2646 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
2647 tag.

2648 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
2649 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
2650 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
2651 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
2652 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving

2653 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
2654 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
2655 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
2656 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
2657 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2658 (7) There is established in the State Treasury a special
2659 fund which shall consist of monies required to be deposited
2660 therein under subsection (4) of this section. Monies in the
2661 special fund, upon legislative appropriation, may be expended by
2662 the Mississippi Department of Education for classroom supplies,
2663 instructional materials and equipment, including computers and
2664 computer software, to be distributed to all school districts in
2665 the proportion that the average daily attendance of each school
2666 district bears to the average daily attendance of all school
2667 districts within the state. Unexpended amounts remaining in the
2668 special fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not lapse into
2669 the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment
2670 earnings on amounts in the special fund shall be deposited to the
2671 credit of the special fund.

2672 **SECTION 36.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
2673 resident of this state and who is a member or supporter of Omega
2674 Psi Phi Fraternity, upon payment of the road and bridge privilege
2675 taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as prescribed by law
2676 for private carriers of passengers, pickup trucks and other
2677 noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of an additional
2678 fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this section,
2679 shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor vehicle
2680 registered in his name identifying such person as a member or
2681 supporter of such organization. The distinctive license tags so
2682 issued shall display the Greek letters of the organization, shall
2683 be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission may
2684 prescribe, and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,
2685 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

2686 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
2687 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms

2688 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
2689 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
2690 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
2691 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
2692 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
2693 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
2694 county general fund.

2695 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
2696 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
2697 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
2698 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
2699 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
2700 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
2701 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2702 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2703 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
2704 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2705 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
2706 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2707 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2708 collector.

2709 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2710 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
2711 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
2712 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
2713 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
2714 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

2715 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
2716 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2717 section shall be distributed to the Hinds County Chapter of Omega
2718 Psi Phi Fraternity.

2719 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
2720 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
2721 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
2722 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

2723 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
2724 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2725 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
2726 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
2727 reconstruction of highways.

2728 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2729 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2730 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2731 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2732 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
2733 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
2734 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
2735 tag.

2736 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
2737 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
2738 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
2739 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
2740 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
2741 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
2742 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
2743 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
2744 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
2745 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2746 SECTION 37. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
2747 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
2748 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
2749 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
2750 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
2751 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
2752 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor
2753 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
2754 supporter of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.
2755 Subject to the approval of the State Tax Commission, the
2756 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and
2757 design as the Girl Scout Council of Middle Mississippi, Girl

2758 Scouts of the United States of America, may prescribe and shall
2759 consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary
2760 to distinguish each license tag.

2761 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
2762 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
2763 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
2764 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
2765 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
2766 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
2767 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
2768 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
2769 county general fund.

2770 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
2771 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
2772 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
2773 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
2774 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
2775 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
2776 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2777 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2778 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
2779 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2780 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
2781 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2782 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2783 collector.

2784 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2785 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
2786 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
2787 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
2788 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
2789 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

2790 (a) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of each additional fee
2791 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2792 section shall be distributed to the Girl Scout Council of Middle

2793 Mississippi, Girl Scouts of the United States of America, or its
2794 successor by merger or otherwise. The Girl Scout Council of
2795 Middle Mississippi shall distribute the fees so received to the
2796 councils of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America with
2797 council boundaries covering any part of the State of Mississippi,
2798 including the Girl Scout Council of Middle Mississippi, with the
2799 fees to be distributed to each of those councils on the basis of
2800 the fees generated by the purchase of the distinctive license tags
2801 within the counties covered by the particular council boundary.
2802 The State Tax Commission shall furnish to the Girl Scout Council
2803 of Middle Mississippi such information as is necessary for the
2804 Girl Scout Council of Middle Mississippi to distribute the fees in
2805 the manner herein provided. The Girl Scout Council of Middle
2806 Mississippi is authorized to deduct an administrative fee from the
2807 fees distributed to the councils in such amount as is approved by
2808 the individual councils receiving the fees to be distributed.

2809 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
2810 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
2811 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
2812 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

2813 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
2814 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2815 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
2816 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
2817 reconstruction of highways.

2818 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2819 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2820 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2821 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2822 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
2823 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
2824 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
2825 tag.

2826 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
2827 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and

2828 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
2829 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
2830 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
2831 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
2832 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
2833 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
2834 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
2835 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2836 **SECTION 38.** (1) The State Tax Commission may enter into
2837 agreements for the purchase of distinctive National Association
2838 for Stock Car Auto Racing ("NASCAR") theme license tags. The
2839 State Tax Commission may enter into any agreement with the
2840 supplier of such distinctive license tags, or other entity,
2841 necessary to carry out the purposes of this section. The
2842 distinctive license tags shall be of such design as the supplier
2843 of the tags, with the advice of the State Tax Commission, may
2844 prescribe.

2845 (2) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this
2846 state, upon payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad
2847 valorem taxes and registration fees as prescribed by law for
2848 private carriers of passengers, pickup trucks and other
2849 noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of an additional
2850 fee in the amount provided in subsection (4) of this section,
2851 shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor vehicle
2852 registered in his name a distinctive license tag displaying NASCAR
2853 themes.

2854 (3) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
2855 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
2856 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
2857 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
2858 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,
2859 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis
2860 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional
2861 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the
2862 county general fund.

2863 (4) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection (4),
2864 beginning with any registration year commencing on or after July
2865 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license tag under
2866 this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount of
2867 Thirty-five Dollars (\$35.00) for each distinctive license tag
2868 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
2869 other taxes and fees. However, for the first one hundred (100)
2870 license tags issued displaying a particular NASCAR theme, the
2871 State Tax Commission may establish an auction or similar procedure
2872 for the purpose of determining the order in which such distinctive
2873 license tags are sold and the amount of the additional fee for the
2874 distinctive license tags which shall be due at the time the
2875 original application is made for such a distinctive license tag,
2876 and Thirty-five Dollars (\$35.00) thereafter annually at the time
2877 of renewal registration. The additional fee paid shall be for a
2878 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2879 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2880 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
2881 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2882 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
2883 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2884 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2885 collector.

2886 (5) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2887 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
2888 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the
2889 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the
2890 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State
2891 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

2892 (a) A portion of each additional fee collected on
2893 distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall be
2894 distributed to the supplier of the license tags according to the
2895 terms of any agreement between the State Tax Commission and the
2896 supplier of the distinctive license tags.

2897 (b) The remainder of each additional fee collected on

2898 distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall be
2899 deposited into the special fund created in subsection (8) of this
2900 section.

2901 (6) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2902 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2903 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2904 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2905 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
2906 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
2907 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
2908 tag.

2909 (7) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
2910 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
2911 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
2912 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
2913 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
2914 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
2915 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
2916 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
2917 distributed proportionately in the same manner as funds from the
2918 sale of regular distinctive license tags issued under this
2919 section.

2920 (8) There is established in the State Treasury a special
2921 fund which shall consist of monies required to be deposited
2922 therein under subsection (5) of this section. Monies in the
2923 special fund, upon Legislative appropriation, may be expended by
2924 the Mississippi Department of Archives and History for the purpose
2925 of paying the costs of repair and renovation of the New Capitol.
2926 Unexpended amounts remaining in the special fund at the end of the
2927 fiscal year shall not lapse into the State General Fund, and any
2928 interest earned or investment earnings on amounts in the special
2929 fund shall be deposited to the credit of the special fund.

2930 **SECTION 39.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
2931 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
2932 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as

2933 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
2934 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
2935 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (4) of this
2936 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor
2937 vehicle registered in his name, which shall be produced in such
2938 color and design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice of
2939 Choose Life Advisory Council, Inc., may prescribe. The words
2940 "Choose Life" shall be centered at the bottom of the license tag.
2941 The State Tax Commission shall prescribe such letters or numbers,
2942 or both, as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

2943 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
2944 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
2945 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
2946 additional fee imposed under subsection (4) of this section, less
2947 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be
2948 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as
2949 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee
2950 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county
2951 general fund.

2952 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
2953 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license
2954 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
2955 of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each distinctive license tag
2956 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
2957 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
2958 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
2959 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
2960 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
2961 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
2962 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
2963 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
2964 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
2965 collector.

2966 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
2967 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,

2968 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected
2969 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute
2970 such collections as follows:

2971 (a) Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) of each additional fee
2972 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2973 section shall be disbursed to Choose Life Advisory Council, Inc.,
2974 to be used as provided for in subsection (5) of this section.

2975 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
2976 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
2977 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
2978 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

2979 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
2980 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
2981 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund
2982 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
2983 reconstruction of highways.

2984 (5) Choose Life Advisory Council, Inc., may establish
2985 guidelines and criteria for the allocation of funds it receives
2986 under this section, including qualifications for those groups,
2987 organizations, associations and other entities that Choose Life
2988 Advisory Council, Inc., determines to be eligible to receive
2989 funds. However, funds disbursed to Choose Life Advisory Council,
2990 Inc., under this section shall not be used for the purpose of
2991 attempting to influence any legislation or any political campaign
2992 on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

2993 (6) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
2994 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
2995 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
2996 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
2997 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) month
2998 and year license decals for each distinctive license tag issued
2999 under this section, which will expire the same month and year as
3000 the license tag.

3001 (7) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
3002 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and

3003 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
3004 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
3005 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
3006 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
3007 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
3008 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
3009 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
3010 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

3011 **SECTION 40.** Section 27-19-44, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
3012 amended as follows:

3013 27-19-44. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection
3014 (4) of this section, for any distinctive license tag or plate
3015 authorized by the Legislature from and after July 1, 2000, the
3016 requirements of this section must be met before the State Tax
3017 Commission may prepare or issue any such license tag or plate.
3018 The organization or other entity for which the Legislature
3019 authorized the distinctive license tag or plate must submit proof
3020 satisfactory to the State Tax Commission that at least one hundred
3021 (100) of such license tags or plates will be purchased and must
3022 deposit with the commission an amount necessary to purchase one
3023 hundred (100) of such license tags or plates. The organization or
3024 other entity for which the Legislature authorized the distinctive
3025 license tag or plate must satisfy the requirements of this
3026 subsection (1) within two (2) years after the effective date of
3027 the law authorizing the license tag or plate in order to permit
3028 the license tag or plate to be prepared and issued.

3029 (2) If the organization or other entity for which the
3030 Legislature authorized the distinctive license tag or plate meets
3031 the requirements of subsection (1) of this section, the State Tax
3032 Commission shall prepare and issue the distinctive license tag or
3033 plate. If the State Tax Commission prepares and issues a
3034 distinctive license tag or plate for the organization or other
3035 entity, the commission shall review the number of such license
3036 tags or plates issued during the period for the license tag or
3037 plate series. If the number of distinctive license tags or plates

3038 falls below one hundred (100) in the last year of the series, the
3039 license tag or plate shall be discontinued at the end of the
3040 period for the series.

3041 (3) If a distinctive license tag or plate is discontinued
3042 under subsection (2) of this section, the organization or other
3043 entity for which the license tag or plate was discontinued may
3044 prepare a distinctive license tag or plate decal. The distinctive
3045 license tag or plate decal shall be of such size, color and design
3046 as may be agreed upon by the organization or other entity and the
3047 State Tax Commission. However, the State Tax Commission shall
3048 have final approval of the size, color and design of the decal.
3049 The distinctive license tag or plate decals shall be prepared and
3050 sold by the organization or other entity, and the proceeds derived
3051 from the sale of such decals shall be retained by the organization
3052 or other entity for any use deemed appropriate by the organization
3053 or other entity.

3054 (4) The provisions of this section are not applicable to
3055 distinctive license tags or plates issued under Section 31 of
3056 Senate Bill No. 2501, 2002 Regular Session, and distinctive
3057 license tags issued under Section 38 of Senate Bill No. 2501, 2002
3058 Regular Session.

3059 **SECTION 41.** Section 27-19-56.12, Mississippi Code of 1972,
3060 is amended as follows:

3061 27-19-56.12. In recognition of the patriotic service
3062 rendered by Mississippians who are honorably discharged veterans
3063 who served in the United States Armed Forces, any such person is
3064 privileged to obtain distinctive motor vehicle license plates or
3065 tags for each motor vehicle registered in his name identifying his
3066 status as a veteran. The State Tax Commission, with concurrence
3067 by the State Veterans Affairs Board, shall develop decals to be
3068 affixed to the license tag indicating branch and period of
3069 military service. The distinctive plates or tags shall be of a
3070 color and design designated by the Tax Commission with concurrence
3071 by the State Veterans Affairs Board.

3072 The distinctive license plates shall be prepared by the Tax

3073 Commission and shall be issued through the tax collectors of the
3074 counties in the same manner as are other motor vehicle license
3075 plates or tags. An additional annual tag fee of Thirty Dollars
3076 (\$30.00) shall be collected by the tax collector for such license
3077 plates or tags and shall be remitted to the Tax Commission on a
3078 monthly basis as prescribed by the commission. The additional fee
3079 is due and payable at the time the original application is made
3080 for a distinctive tag under this section and thereafter annually
3081 at the time of renewal registration as long as the owner retains
3082 the distinctive license tag. The State Tax Commission shall
3083 deposit such fee to the credit of a fund to be administered by the
3084 board overseeing the veterans nursing homes in this state for the
3085 benefit of indigent veterans who are residents of such nursing
3086 homes.

3087 An applicant for such distinctive plates shall present to the
3088 issuing official written evidence of the veteran's service. Such
3089 evidence shall include a copy of the applicant's DD-214 form, a
3090 Report of Separation from Military Service, a military discharge
3091 document, or a written certification of military service from the
3092 State Veterans Affairs Board. The distinctive license plates or
3093 tags so issued shall be used only upon a personally or jointly
3094 owned private passenger vehicle (to include station wagons,
3095 recreational motor vehicles and pickup trucks) registered in the
3096 name, or jointly in the name, of the person making application
3097 therefor, and when issued to such person shall be used upon the
3098 vehicle for which issued in lieu of the standard license plate or
3099 license tag normally issued for such vehicle.

3100 The distinctive license plates shall not be transferable
3101 between motor vehicle owners; and in the event the owner of a
3102 vehicle bearing a distinctive plate shall sell, trade, exchange or
3103 otherwise dispose of the vehicle, such plate shall be retained by
3104 such owner and returned to the tax collector.

3105 **SECTION 42.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
3106 and after July 1, 2002.

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; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE
21 LICENSE TAGS IN SUPPORT OF THE MISSISSIPPI 4-H CLUB FOUNDATION,
22 INC.; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS IN
23 SUPPORT OF THE MISSISSIPPI FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA ASSOCIATION;
24 TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS IN SUPPORT
25 OF THE NORTH DELTA ARCHEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION, INC.; TO AUTHORIZE
26 THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS IN SUPPORT OF KEEP
27 MISSISSIPPI BEAUTIFUL, INC., AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE ADDITIONAL
28 FEES FOR SUCH TAGS SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN THE STATEWIDE LITTER
29 PREVENTION FUND CREATED UNDER SECTION 65-1-167, MISSISSIPPI CODE
30 OF 1972; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO
31 AIRCRAFT PILOTS; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE
32 TAGS TO GRADUATES OF THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY, UNITED
33 STATES COAST GUARD ACADEMY, UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINES ACADEMY
34 AND UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY AND STUDENTS ENROLLED AT SUCH
35 ACADEMIES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR
36 VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS FOR SUPPORTERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI INSTITUTE
37 OF ARTS AND LETTERS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE
38 MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS FOR SUPPORTERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI
39 WALKING HORSE ASSOCIATION; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF
40 DISTINCTIVE TRAUMA CARE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR
41 A DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAG FOR RETIRED PATROLMEN OF
42 THE MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY SAFETY PATROL; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE
43 OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO MEMBERS OF THE PRINCE HALL GRAND
44 LODGE OF MISSISSIPPI, FREE AND ACCEPTED ANCIENT YORKRITE MASONS;
45 TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO MEMBERS
46 OF THE CLERGY; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE
47 TAGS TO MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY; TO
48 AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS IN SUPPORT OF
49 THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF
50 DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS OF MISSISSIPPI AGRICULTURE;
51 TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO PROMOTE
52 AUTISM AWARENESS; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE
53 TAGS TO RECIPIENTS OF THE BRONZE STAR OR SILVER STAR; TO AUTHORIZE
54 THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO PERSONS WHO ARE
55 DIABETICS; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS
56 IN SUPPORT OF THE PETAL, MISSISSIPPI, SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO
57 AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS IN SUPPORT OF
58 THE DESOTO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO AUTHORIZE THE
59 ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS IN SUPPORT OF THE SIMPSON
60 COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF
61 DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS OF OMEGA PSI
62 PHI FRATERNITY; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE
63 TAGS IN SUPPORT OF THE GIRL SCOUTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF
64 AMERICA; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS
65 DISPLAYING NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR STOCK CAR AUTO RACING THEMES;

66 TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A DISTINCTIVE "CHOOSE LIFE" LICENSE
67 TAG; TO IMPOSE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS
68 AUTHORIZED IN THIS ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH
69 ADDITIONAL FEES; TO AMEND SECTION 27-19-44, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
70 1972, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS AUTHORIZED IN
71 THIS ACT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUCH SECTION; TO AMEND SECTION
72 27-19-56.12, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT THE
73 ADDITIONAL FEE PAID FOR A DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAG
74 FOR HONORABLY DISCHARGED VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED
75 FORCES MUST BE PAID ANNUALLY UPON RENEWAL REGISTRATION FOR AS LONG
76 AS THE OWNER RETAINS SUCH TAG; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.