

By: Representative Compretta

To: Transportation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1197

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO
2 KNOWINGLY INSTALL ANY OBJECT AS PART OF A VEHICLE INFLATABLE
3 SAFETY RESTRAINT SYSTEM IN LIEU OF AN AIR BAG MEETING FEDERAL
4 SAFETY REGULATIONS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Any person who knowingly installs or reinstalls
7 any object in lieu of an air bag that was designed as part of a
8 vehicle inflatable safety restraint system in accordance with
9 federal safety regulations for the make, model and year of the
10 vehicle is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable, upon conviction, by
11 a fine of not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or by
12 imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one (1) year, or
13 by both such fine and imprisonment.

14 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
15 and after July 1, 2003.

