

By: Representative Reeves

To: Transportation

HOUSE BILL NO. 576

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR THE OPERATOR OF ANY  
2 MOTOR VEHICLE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVADING DETECTION OF A CRIMINAL  
3 VIOLATION, TO AVOID A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT; TO  
4 PRESCRIBE A PENALTY FOR A VIOLATION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** (1) It is unlawful for the operator of any motor  
7 vehicle, for the purpose of evading detection of a criminal  
8 violation, to stop, turn, flee or otherwise avoid driving through  
9 or around a driver's license or sobriety checkpoint set up by a  
10 law enforcement officer or law enforcement agency.

11 (2) Any person who violates subsection (1) of this section  
12 shall be punished, upon conviction, by a fine of not more than  
13 Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).

14 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
15 and after July 1, 2004.