## Adopted COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

Senate Bill No. 2166

**BY: Committee** 

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

7 The driver of a motor vehicle who is given a SECTION 1. (1) visible or audible signal by a law enforcement officer by hand, 8 9 voice, emergency light or siren directing the driver to bring his 10 motor vehicle to a stop when such signal is given by a law enforcement officer acting in the lawful performance of duty who 11 has a reasonable suspicion to believe that the driver in question 12 has committed a crime, and who willfully fails to obey such 13 direction shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction 14 shall be punished by a fine not to exceed One Thousand Dollars 15 16 (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned in the county jail for a term not to 17 exceed six (6) months, or both.

(2) Any person who is guilty of violating subsection (1) of 18 19 this section by operating a motor vehicle in such a manner as to 20 indicate a reckless or willful disregard for the safety of persons or property, or who so operates a motor vehicle in a manner 21 22 manifesting extreme indifference to the value of human life, shall 23 be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars 24 25 (\$5,000.00), or by commitment to the custody of the Mississippi

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26 Department of Corrections for not more than five (5) years, or 27 both.

(3) Any person who is guilty of violating subsection (1) of this section, which violation results in serious bodily injury of another, upon conviction shall be committed to the custody of the Department of Corrections for not less than three (3) nor more than twenty (20) years of imprisonment.

(4) Any person who is guilty of violating subsection (1) of
this section, which violation results in the death of another,
upon conviction shall be committed to the custody of the
Department of Corrections for not less than five (5) nor more than
forty (40) years.

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(5) It is a defense to prosecution under this section:

39 (a) That the law enforcement officer was not in uniform
40 or that no law enforcement vehicle used in the attempted stop was
41 clearly marked as a law enforcement vehicle; or

42 (b) That the driver proceeded in a safe manner to a43 reasonably near well-lit public place before stopping.

SECTION 2. On or after January 1, 2005, each state, county 44 45 and local law enforcement agency that conducts emergency response and vehicular pursuits shall adopt written policies and training 46 47 procedures that set forth the manner in which these operations shall be conducted. Each law enforcement agency may create their 48 own such policies or adopt an existing model. All pursuit 49 50 policies created or adopted by any law enforcement agency must address situations in which police pursuits cross over into other 51 52 jurisdictions. Law enforcement agencies which do not comply with the requirements of this provision are subject to the withholding 53 of any state funding or state administered federal funding. 54

55 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 56 and after July 1, 2004.

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

1 AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIME OF FLEEING OR ELUDING A LAW 2 ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IN A MOTOR VEHICLE; TO REQUIRE STATE, COUNTY 3 AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THAT CONDUCT EMERGENCY RESPONSE 4 AND VEHICULAR PURSUITS TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES AND TRAINING 5 PROCEDURES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.