Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 818

TO THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE SENATE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

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

13 SECTION 1. Section 17-17-423, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 14 amended as follows:

17-17-423. There is imposed a waste tire fee upon the 15 (1) 16 sale of each new tire sold at wholesale. The fee shall be imposed on any person engaging in the business of making wholesale sales 17 of new tires within this state. * * * The fee shall be imposed at 18 19 the rate of One Dollar (\$1.00) for each new tire sold with a rim diameter of less than twenty-four (24) inches and Two Dollars 20 21 (\$2.00) for each new tire sold with a rim diameter of twenty-four 22 (24) inches or greater. The fee shall be added to the total cost 23 to the purchaser at wholesale; however, a person engaged in the 24 business of making retail sales of tires in this state who 25 purchases tires from a wholesaler or manufacturer outside this state upon which the waste tire fee is not imposed, shall be 26 responsible for remitting the waste tire fee directly to the State 27 Tax Commission in lieu of payment of the tax to the wholesaler or 28 manufacturer. The fee imposed, less five percent (5%) of fees 29 30 collected, which shall be retained by the tire wholesaler or retailer as collection costs, shall be paid to the State Tax 31 32 Commission in the form and manner required by the State Tax 33 Commission and shall include a statement showing the total number of new tires sold during the preceding month. The State Tax 34 35 Commission shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary to administer the fee collection and enforcement. 36

37 (2) The State Tax Commission shall administer, collect and38 enforce the fee authorized under this section under the same

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procedures used in the administration, collection and enforcement 39 40 of the state sales tax imposed under Chapter 65, Title 27, Mississippi Code of 1972, except as provided in this section. 41 The 42 proceeds of the waste tire fee, less five percent (5%) of the proceeds, which shall be retained by the State Tax Commission as 43 44 collection costs, shall be transferred by the State Tax Commission into the waste tire account of the Environmental Protection Trust 45 46 Fund.

47 SECTION 2. Section 17-17-415, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 48 amended as follows:

49 17-17-415. (1) Any person selling new or reusable tires at retail shall accept from a customer at the point of transfer, used 50 51 or waste tires in a quantity at least equal to the number of new or reusable tires purchased, if offered by the customer. 52 The 53 retailer may assess a disposal fee on each tire sold. If the 54 retailer imposes a disposal fee, the retailer is prohibited from imposing a disposal fee on the customer in excess of the actual 55 56 per tire disposal costs incurred by the retailer and is also 57 prohibited from waiving the disposal fee if the customer keeps the used or waste tire. In addition, * * * if a retailer is required 58 59 to remit the waste tire fee in Section 17-17-423 directly to the 60 State Tax Commission, the fee shall be considered a part of his actual disposal costs. * * * 61

62 (2) Any tire retailer, tire wholesaler, motor vehicle 63 dismantler and salvage dealer may hold not more than five hundred 64 (500) waste tires for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days 65 without being authorized as a waste tire collection site, if such 66 tires are stored in a manner which protects human health and the 67 environment pursuant to regulations adopted by the commission.

68 <u>SECTION 3.</u> (1) There is created the Task Force on 69 Recycling, which will be responsible for developing a 70 comprehensive plan to establish a system to recycle household 71 items. The task force will serve as a consensus group designed to 72 coordinate efforts by the state, counties and municipalities to 73 create an effective recycling system in the state.

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74 The task force shall consist of eleven (11) members. (2) 75 (a) Five (5) members shall be appointed by the Governor from each of the following industries: 76 77 (i) Plastic recycling; 78 (ii) Metal recycling; 79 (iii) Paper recycling; 80 (iv) Glass recycling; and 81 (v) Ferrous metal industry. 82 (b) One (1) representative from each of the following 83 agencies, associations or entities: 84 (i) Mississippi Municipal League, appointed by 85 Governor; 86 (ii) Mississippi Association of Supervisors, 87 appointed by Governor; 88 (iii) Department of Environmental Quality, 89 appointed by Governor; 90 Sierra Club, appointed by Governor; (iv) 91 (v) One (1) member appointed by Speaker; and 92 (vi) One (1) member appointed by Lieutenant Governor. 93 94 SECTION 4. (1) The Task Force on Recycling has the 95 following duties: 96 (a) Undertake a statistical and qualitative examination 97 of the benefits of recycling in Mississippi; 98 (b) Develop a comprehensive plan to recycle household 99 items; 100 Report to the Mississippi State Legislature by (C) 101 December 31, 2004, with a system to allow counties and 102 municipalities to collect items to be recycled. 103 (2) The chairman for the task force shall be elected by its 104 membership. The task force shall convene by August 1, 2004. The 105 task force shall meet and conduct business at least quarterly. All meetings of the task force will be open to the public, with 106 107 opportunities for public comment provided on a regular basis. 108 Notice of all meetings shall be given as provided in the Open

H. B. 818 PAGE 3 109 Meetings Act and appropriate notice also shall be given to all 110 persons so requesting of the date, time and place of each meeting.

111 (3) (a) The task force is assigned to the Mississippi 112 Department of Environmental Quality for administrative purposes 113 only.

(b) Membership in the task force shall be voluntary.
No member of the task force shall be compensated or reimbursed
with state funds for the discharge of duties associated with this
task force.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2004.

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

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 17-17-423, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 2 TO IMPOSE THE WASTE TIRE FEE ON EACH NEW TIRE SOLD AT WHOLESALE; 3 TO PROVIDE THAT THE PERSON SELLING TIRES AT WHOLESALE SHALL BE 4 RESPONSIBLE FOR COLLECTING SUCH FEES AND PAYING THEM TO THE STATE TAX COMMISSION; TO AMEND SECTION 17-17-415, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, IN CONFORMITY THERETO; TO CREATE THE TASK FORCE ON 5 б 7 RECYCLING; TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE TASK 8 FORCE; TO PROVIDE DUTIES FOR THE TASK FORCE; TO REQUIRE THE TASK FORCE TO MEET QUARTERLY; TO ASSIGN THE TASK FORCE TO THE 9 MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE 10 11 PURPOSES ONLY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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