

By: Representative Beckett

To: Transportation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1011

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-2-7, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 DELETE THE PROVISIONS THAT PERMIT A FINE TO BE IMPOSED FOR A
3 VIOLATION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE SEAT BELT LAW ONLY IF THE VIOLATOR
4 IS ALSO CHARGED AND CONVICTED OF SOME OTHER OFFENSE; AND FOR
5 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 63-2-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 63-2-7. (1) A violation of this chapter shall be a
10 misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00)
11 upon conviction; however, only the operator of a vehicle may be
12 fined for a violation of this chapter by the operator or for a
13 violation of this chapter by a passenger. * * * An operator may
14 be fined for a violation of this chapter by a child who is at
15 least four (4) years of age but under eight (8) years of age,
16 regardless of the seat that the child occupies * * *. The maximum
17 fine that may be imposed against the operator of a vehicle for a
18 violation of this chapter by the operator or for a violation of
19 this chapter by one or more passengers shall be Twenty-five
20 Dollars (\$25.00) in the aggregate.

21 (2) A violation of this chapter shall not be entered on the
22 driving record of any individual so convicted, nor shall any state
23 assessment provided for by Section 99-19-73, or any other state
24 law, be imposed or collected.

25 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
26 and after July 1, 2005.