

**Adopted  
COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

**Senate Bill No. 2957**

**BY: Committee**

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

7           **SECTION 1.** Section 63-1-49, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
8 amended as follows:

9           63-1-49. (1) An expired license issued pursuant to this  
10 article may be renewed at any time within twelve (12) months after  
11 the expiration date of said license upon application and payment  
12 of the required fee, and the payment of a delinquent fee of One  
13 Dollar (\$1.00), in lieu of a driver examination, unless the holder  
14 of the expired license is required to be examined, or unless the  
15 department has reason to believe the licensee is no longer  
16 qualified to receive a license. If any person shall obtain a new  
17 license, his last previous license having been good and valid,  
18 except for its lapsing, without his having obtained a renewal  
19 within the time required by law, then such reissuance of a license  
20 shall constitute a renewal of the previous license and not a new  
21 license.

22           (2) (a) Any person in the armed services of the United  
23 States, holding a valid license issued pursuant to this article  
24 and being out of state due to military service at the time the  
25 license expires, may renew the license by mail or by on-line

26 renewal services or at any time within ninety (90) days after  
27 being discharged from such military service or upon returning to  
28 the state, without payment of any delinquent fee or examination,  
29 unless the department has reason to believe that the licensee is  
30 no longer qualified to receive a license. Such person shall make  
31 proof by affidavit of the fact of such military service and of the  
32 time of discharge or return. The expiration of the license of a  
33 military person under the provisions of this paragraph (a) shall  
34 not affect the validity of the license, but such license shall  
35 continue to be valid and permit such person to operate a motor  
36 vehicle for a period of ninety (90) days after he is discharged  
37 from military service or returns to the state or until he renews  
38 his license, whichever event first occurs.

39 (b) The provisions of paragraph (a) of this subsection  
40 (2) also apply to a dependent of a person in the armed services of  
41 the United States who is out of state due to military service if  
42 the dependent resides out of state with the armed services member  
43 and the license of the dependent expires during his or her absence  
44 from the state. The Commissioner of Public Safety may adopt such  
45 rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement the  
46 provisions of this paragraph.

47 (3) Any person holding a valid license issued pursuant to  
48 this article who is going overseas for two (2) to four (4) years  
49 and whose license shall expire during the stay overseas may renew  
50 said license for four (4) years prior to leaving. Said person  
51 shall make proof by affidavit of the fact of such overseas travel.  
52 Such reissuance of a license shall constitute a renewal of the  
53 previous license and not a new license.

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

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

1           AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-1-49, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 PROVIDE THAT MILITARY PERSONNEL AND THEIR DEPENDENTS THAT ARE OUT  
3 OF STATE DUE TO MILITARY SERVICE MAY RENEW THEIR EXPIRED DRIVER'S  
4 LICENSES BY MAIL OR BY ON-LINE RENEWAL SERVICES; AND FOR RELATED  
5 PURPOSES.