

**Adopted
AMENDMENT NO 1 TO COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED
TO**

House Bill No. 32

BY: Senator(s) Williamson

1 Amend by inserting the following after line 788 and
2 renumbering subsequent sections accordingly:

3 SECTION *. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a
4 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge
5 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as
6 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup
7 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of
8 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this
9 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor
10 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a
11 supporter of Good Hope LA Bus, Inc. The distinctive license tags
12 so issued shall be of such color and design as the State Tax
13 Commission, with the advice of the Good Hope LA Bus, Inc., may
14 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,
15 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

16 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized
17 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms
18 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the
19 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less
20 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be
21 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as
22 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee

23 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county
24 general fund.

25 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or
26 after July 1, 2005, any person applying for a distinctive license
27 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount
28 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag
29 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all
30 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a
31 period of time to run concurrent with the vehicle's established
32 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the
33 time the original application is made for a distinctive license
34 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of
35 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive
36 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive
37 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax
38 collector.

39 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the
40 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,
41 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected
42 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute
43 such collections as follows:

44 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee
45 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
46 section shall be distributed to Good Hope LA Bus, Inc., to be used
47 solely to assist in the purchase of new school busses.

48 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
49 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
50 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn
51 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

52 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee
53 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this
54 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund

55 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or
56 reconstruction of highways.

57 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected
58 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall
59 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section
60 27-19-44.2.

61 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as
62 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under
63 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the
64 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under
65 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license
66 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,
67 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license
68 tag.

69 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license
70 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and
71 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by
72 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license
73 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving
74 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and
75 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee
76 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be
77 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular
78 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

79 **FURTHER, AMEND line 29 of the title by inserting the**
80 **following after the semicolon:**

81 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE
82 TAG TO SUPPORTERS OF GOOD HOPE LA BUS, INC.; TO PROVIDE THE FEE
83 FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH TAG;