By: Representative Chism

HOUSE BILL NO. 174

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 99-19-25, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 2 TO PROVIDE THAT FINES REGARDING FAILURE TO HAVE AN INSURANCE CARD 3 IN A MOTOR VEHICLE SHALL NOT BE SUSPENDED; AND FOR RELATED 4 PURPOSES.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 6 SECTION 1. Section 99-19-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 7 amended as follows:

8 99-19-25. The circuit courts and the county courts, in 9 misdemeanor cases, are hereby authorized to suspend a sentence and 10 to suspend the execution of a sentence, or any part thereof, on such terms as may be imposed by the judge of the court. Provided, 11 the suspension of imposition or execution of a sentence hereunder 12 may not be revoked after a period of five (5) years. Provided, 13 however, the circuit courts and the county courts shall not 14 suspend any fine in cases arising under Section 63-15-4. 15

16 The justice courts, in misdemeanor cases, are hereby 17 authorized to suspend sentence and to suspend the execution of a sentence, or any part thereof, on such terms as may be imposed by 18 19 the judge of the court. Provided, the suspension of imposition or execution of a sentence hereunder may not be revoked after a 20 21 period of two (2) years. Provided, however, the justice courts in cases arising under Sections 49-7-81, 49-7-95, 63-15-4 and the 22 23 Implied Consent Law shall not suspend any fine.

24 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 25 and after July 1, 2006.