By: Representatives Norquist, Flaggs

To: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL NO. 540

- AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-51-101, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
- 2 TO INCLUDE MOTORCYCLES IN THE DEFINITION OF "PRIVATE CARRIER OF
- 3 PASSENGERS" FOR THE PURPOSE OF BEING ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT
- 4 AGAINST MOTOR VEHICLE AD VALOREM TAXES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 6 **SECTION 1.** Section 27-51-101, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 7 amended as follows:
- 8 27-51-101. (1) As used in Sections 27-51-101 through
- 9 27-51-107, unless the context requires otherwise:
- 10 (a) "Private carrier of passengers" shall have the
- 11 meaning ascribed to such term in Section 27-19-3, and shall * * *
- 12 include motorcycles.
- 13 (b) "Light carrier of property" means any motor vehicle
- 14 with a gross weight, as defined in Section 27-19-3, of ten
- 15 thousand (10,000) pounds or less that is designed and constructed
- 16 for the primary purpose of transporting property on the roads and
- 17 highways.
- 18 (c) "Local taxing district" means any county,
- 19 municipality, school district or other local entity that levies an
- 20 ad valorem tax or for which an ad valorem tax is levied, to fund
- 21 all or a portion of its budget.
- 22 (d) "State fiscal year" means the period beginning on
- 23 July 1 and ending on June 30 of the following year.
- (e) "Commission" means the State Tax Commission.
- 25 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 26 and after July 1, 2006.