

By: Representative Carlton (By Request)

To: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL NO. 753

1 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A REWARD TO REWARD CITIZENS WHO REPORT  
2 PERSONS LIABLE FOR UNPAID TAXES; TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE TAX  
3 COMMISSION TO PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE  
4 PURPOSES OF THIS ACT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** (1) The State Tax Commission shall establish a  
7 reward program to reward citizens who report persons liable for  
8 unpaid taxes. The State Tax Commission shall investigate reports  
9 of unpaid taxes and if such investigation results in the recovery  
10 of unpaid taxes, the citizen who made the report shall receive an  
11 award as provided in this subsection. Except as otherwise  
12 provided in this subsection, the amount of the award payment made  
13 to any person who provides information to the commission which  
14 results in the collection of unpaid or future Mississippi taxes of  
15 any kind shall not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of any tax,  
16 penalties or interest collected as a result of the information.  
17 Any employee or former employee of the State Tax Commission or of  
18 any other state or federal agency who comes into possession of  
19 information relating to a violation of a revenue law while an  
20 employee of the commission or agency may provide information to  
21 the commission, but the employee may not be compensated for the  
22 information.

23 (2) The State Tax Commission shall promulgate any necessary  
24 rules and regulations to establish administrative procedures,  
25 hearings and any other purposes necessary to carry out the  
26 provisions of this act.

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