

**Adopted
AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

House Bill No. 1019

BY: Senator(s) Posey

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 49-7-20.1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 49-7-20.1. (1) (a) To reduce hunting accidents of children
10 under license age, to protect the safety of these children and to
11 promote hunter safety, a child at least twelve (12) years of age
12 and under sixteen (16) years of age must have a certificate of
13 satisfactory completion of a hunter education course approved by
14 the department before hunting in this state.

15 (b) A child at least twelve (12) years of age and under
16 sixteen (16) years of age may hunt without having the certificate
17 of hunter education required under this subsection if the child is
18 in the presence and under the direct supervision of a licensed or
19 exempt * * * hunter at least twenty-one (21) years of age when
20 hunting.

21 (2) A child under the age of twelve (12) must be in the
22 presence and under the direct supervision of a licensed or
23 exempt * * * hunter at least twenty-one (21) years of age when the
24 child is hunting.

25 (3) A licensed hunter supervising a child as provided in
26 this section must hold a valid Mississippi license for the species
27 being hunted.

28 (4) There is no penalty for a violation of this section, but
29 to protect the safety of the child a conservation officer may
30 require the child to end the hunt and may unload the firearm and
31 may take the firearm and the child to an adult.

32 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
33 and after July 1, 2007.

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

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-7-20.1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO PROVIDE THAT A LICENSED HUNTER WHO SUPERVISES A CHILD HUNTING
3 WITHOUT THE REQUIRED HUNTER EDUCATION CERTIFICATE MUST POSSESS A
4 VALID MISSISSIPPI LICENSE FOR THE SPECIES BEING HUNTED; AND FOR
5 RELATED PURPOSES.