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By: Senator(s) Simmons (13th)

To: Education; Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2267

1 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A MOTIVATING PARENTS AND CHILDREN (MPAC) 2 PILOT PROGRAM WITHIN THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE 3 PURPOSE OF MAKING GRANTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT PROVIDE PARENTAL 4 INVOLVEMENT SERVICES TO FAMILIES OF COMPULSORY-SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN 5 RESIDING IN SUCH SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO SET FORTH THE PURPOSES OF THE 6 MPAC PILOT PROGRAM; TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION 7 TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT THE MPAC PILOT PROGRAM; TO PRESCRIBE THE BASIC COMPONENTS OF SERVICES TO BE OFFERED BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS 8 9 UNDER THE MPAC PILOT PROGRAM; TO PROVIDE AN APPLICATION AND 10 SELECTION PROCEDURE FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS PARTICIPATING IN THE MPAC 11 PILOT PROGRAM; TO AMEND SECTION 37-11-53, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 12 1972, TO REQUIRE PARENTS TO ATTEND CONFERENCES AND OTHER FUNCTIONS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS PARTICIPATING IN THE MPAC PILOT PROGRAM; TO 13 AMEND SECTION 63-1-10, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT 14 15 CHILDREN UNDER 18 RESIDING IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS PARTICIPATING IN 16 THE MPAC PILOT PROGRAM WHO WITHDRAW FROM SCHOOL MAY HAVE THEIR 17 DRIVER'S LICENSE SUSPENDED; TO AMEND SECTION 63-1-46, MISSISSIPPI 18 CODE OF 1972, TO EXEMPT SUCH MINORS FROM LICENSE REINSTATEMENT FEES; TO AMEND SECTION 63-1-53, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, IN 19 20 CONFORMITY THERETO; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

22 **SECTION 1.** (1) The Legislature finds that:

23 (a) Students who exhibit serious behavior problems in

24 school become juvenile and adult offenders;

25 (b) A major contributing factor to this problem is a

26 lack of positive parental involvement with both their children and

27 school personnel;

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(c) Growing numbers of children live in conditions thatplace them at risk of school failure;

30 (d) The provision of school and support services to
31 these children and their families by public and nonprofit agencies
32 is fragmented and does not prepare these children to learn
33 effectively and have a successful school experience;

34 (e) The lack of collaboration among schools, families,
35 local agencies and other groups involved in family support and
36 youth development activities results in the inefficient and
37 ineffective use of resources to meet the needs of these children;

(f) Schools are dedicating an increasing amount of their time and resources to responding to disruptive and violent behavior rather than fulfilling their mission to challenge, with high expectations, each child to learn, to achieve and to fulfill his or her potential;

43 (g) The relationships between school failure,
44 disruptive and violent behavior in schools, unemployment and
45 criminal behavior are clear;

(h) Responding to the needs of students who are at risk of school failure and providing for a safe and secure learning environment are cost-effective because it enables the state to substitute preventive measures for expensive and reactionary crisis intervention through use of colocation of services and repositioning of staff; and

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52 (i) Differing local needs and local resources
53 necessitate the development of locally generated, community-based
54 plans that coordinate and leverage existing resources, not the
55 imposition of uniform and inflexible state-mandated plans.

56 (2)There is hereby established within the State Department 57 of Education the Motivating Parents and Children (MPAC) pilot The purpose of the program is (a) to provide grants to 58 program. 59 certain local school districts for innovative local programs that 60 target juvenile crime by coordinating school and support services to children at risk and their families with required parental 61 involvement; (b) enhance educational attainment through 62 coordinated services to respond to the needs of students who are 63 64 at risk of school failure and at risk of participation in juvenile crime; and (c) provide a safe and secure learning environment. 65

The Motivating Parents and Children (MPAC) pilot program 66 (3)described in this section shall be conducted in six (6) school 67 68 districts selected by the State Superintendent of Education with the approval of the State Board of Education, which school 69 70 districts shall represent the different geographical areas, 71 population levels and economic levels of the state. Three (3) 72 districts shall be selected from urban areas of the state and 73 three (3) districts shall be selected from rural areas of the 74 The department shall give preference to school districts state. 75 that express a desire to participate in the pilot program. The program shall apply to all compulsory-school-age children residing 76

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(4) The State Department of Education shall develop policies
and procedures to administer the Motivating Parents and Children
(MPAC) pilot program.

82 (5) The selected pilot school districts shall implement the83 MPAC program, and in doing so shall:

84 (a) Employ a district MPAC program coordinator who will
85 be responsible for planning and coordinating activities for
86 parents of school children, and the delivery of integrated and
87 comprehensive services to children and their families.

(b) Employ three (3) licensed social workers and three (3) certified guidance counselors, one (1) each to be assigned to the high schools, middle schools and elementary schools within the district who will work in conjunction to assist families in resolving social and other problems that may impact the child's school performance.

94 Develop and implement a program of family support (C) services that is school-based and/or school-linked designed 95 96 according to the Communities In Schools (CIS) model. The CIS 97 model is a well-known national dropout prevention model that has 98 developed effective and proven step-by-step quidelines that can be 99 used to increase parent and community involvement. The MPAC 100 program services provided shall include a community advisory board, private/public partnerships, an assessment of community 101

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109 (d) Train the MPAC program staff in the CIS model. 110 Principles and practices evaluated and proven effective shall be 111 incorporated into the program design. Upon determination of the 112 pilot sites involved, an orientation must be provided to all district staff. In addition, staff must be trained and developed 113 114 on an ongoing basis to ensure maximum coordination and cooperation with emphasis placed on learning how to effectively work with 115 116 parents to enhance their participation level. The MPAC program 117 services shall be designed to (i) prepare children to attain 118 academic and social success; (ii) enhance the ability of families to become advocates for and supporters of education for the 119 120 children in their families; (iii) provide parenting classes to the 121 parents of children who are at risk of school failure; (iv) 122 provide adult literacy and employability skills classes for 123 parents; (v) serve as a referral source for children and their 124 families to ensure that needed services are accessed by the 125 family; and (vi) otherwise enhance the ability of families to 126 function as nurturing and effective family units.

S. B. No. 2267 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 14/SS26/R111 PAGE 5 (tb\tb) 127 Require a parent or quardian to spend a day in (e) 128 school with his child after violation of a major rule. Such 129 action would be taken when the rule violated is major but not 130 serious enough to warrant expulsion in order to invite parental 131 intervention before a child is suspended or expelled. The parent 132 or guardian may be required either to attend class with his child for a full day or to attend parenting classes offered at alternate 133 134 times to accommodate the parent's or guardian's work schedules and 135 transportation issues. Failure to attend one (1) of the options 136 will result in suspension of the child.

137 (f) Create an incentive program for children whose parent or quardian attends meetings of PTA/PTO's, parenting 138 139 classes, and volunteers a minimum of ten (10) hours in the classroom. Examples of an incentive program are: (i) the 140 141 issuance of an activity card that grants the child full admission 142 to all school-sponsored activities such as football and basketball 143 games; and (ii) exemption from certain classroom or laboratory 144 fees as determined feasible by the local school board.

(g) Create a program using volunteers to provide child care services for parents who volunteer, attend parenting classes, and attend after-school or evening programs.

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(h) Create a summer employability

149 skills/on-the-job-training (OJT) fund, utilizing TANF and other 150 federal Welfare-to-Work program funds. These funds may be 151 expended by local school boards to provide job opportunities for

juniors and seniors in high school. Employers and nonprofit organizations who participate in "Adopt-a-School" programs may qualify to employ such students during the summer. Wages up to Seven Dollars (\$7.00) per hour will be paid from the fund to eligible students who work for the employers or nonprofit organizations who are committed to participating in the "Adopt-a-School" program within the next school year.

(i) Require the pilot school districts to conduct a
Family Needs Assessment (FNA) using social workers and licensed
counselors once every three (3) years. The assessment should be
coordinated with other community organizations such as Head Start
to encourage collaboration and lessen duplication.

(6) (a) A local school district may apply for a Motivating
Parents and Children (MPAC) pilot program grant, and up to three
(3) adjacent local school districts may apply jointly for a grant.

167 (b) The application shall include the following168 information:

169 (i) Data on the incidence of juvenile crime in the
170 geographical area to be served by the grant. Sources of data may
171 include the youth court in the county, the district attorney and
172 local law enforcement officials.

(ii) An assessment of local resources from all sources for, and local deficiencies with regard to, responding to the needs of children who live in conditions that place them at risk of school failure.

S. B. No. 2267 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 14/SS26/R111 PAGE 7 (tb\tb) 177 (iii) A detailed plan for removing barriers to 178 success in school that exist for these children and coordinating services for parents and children as authorized under this 179 180 section.

181 (7) In reviewing grant applications, the State 182 Superintendent of Education shall consider the prevalence of 183 underserved students and families in low-income neighborhoods and 184 in isolated rural areas in the area for which the grant is 185 requested, the severity of the local problems with regard to children at risk of school failure and with regard to school 186 187 discipline, whether the proposed program meets state standards, 188 and the likelihood that the locally designed plan will deal with 189 the problems successfully. During the review process, the 190 superintendent may recommend modifications in grant applications to applicants. The superintendent shall submit recommendations to 191 192 the State Board of Education as to which applicants should receive 193 grants and the amount they should receive.

194 In selecting grant recipients, the State Board of Education 195 shall consider (a) the recommendations of the superintendent, (b) 196 the geographic location of the applicants, and (c) the demographic 197 profile of the applicants. After considering these factors, the 198 State Board of Education shall give priority to grant applications 199 that will serve areas that have a high incidence of juvenile crime 200 to serve as models for other communities. The State Board of 201 Education shall select the grant recipients prior to July 1, 2014,

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for local programs that will be in operation at the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year, and prior to July 1 and thereafter for the appropriate school year.

A grant recipient may request a modification of a grant or additional funds to implement a grant through the grant application process. The request shall be reviewed and accepted or rejected in the same manner as a grant application.

(8) The State Department of Education shall administer the
grant program under the direction of the State Board of Education.
The State Department of Education shall provide technical
assistance to grant applicants and recipients.

(9) All agencies of the state and local government,
including departments of human services, health departments, local
mental health, mental retardation, court personnel, law
enforcement agencies, and municipalities and counties shall
cooperate with the State Department of Education and local school
boards that receive grants by colocating services and
repositioning staff.

(10) The Department of Education shall develop and implement an evaluation system, under the direction of the State Board of Education, that will assess the efficiency and effectiveness of the MPAC program.

(11) Any child in a pilot school district who is suspended from school shall have his driver's license suspended for one (1) calendar year by the Mississippi Department of Public Safety.

227 SECTION 2. Section 37-11-53, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 228 amended as follows:

229 37-11-53. (1) A copy of the school district's discipline 230 plan shall be distributed to each student enrolled in the 231 district, and the parents, guardian or custodian of such student 232 shall sign a statement verifying that they have been given notice 233 of the discipline policies of their respective school district. 234 The school board shall have its official discipline plan and code 235 of student conduct legally audited on an annual basis to insure that its policies and procedures are currently in compliance with 236 237 applicable statutes, case law and state and federal constitutional 238 provisions. As part of the first legal audit occurring after July 239 1, 2001, the provisions of this section, Section 37-11-55 and 240 Section 37-11-18.1 shall be fully incorporated into the school district's discipline plan and code of student conduct. 241

242 (2) All discipline plans of school districts shall include,243 but not be limited to, the following:

(a) A parent, guardian or custodian of a
compulsory-school-age child enrolled in a public school district
shall be responsible financially for his or her minor child's
destructive acts against school property or persons;

(b) A parent, guardian or custodian of a
compulsory-school-age child enrolled in a public school district
may be requested to appear at school by the school attendance
officer or an appropriate school official for a conference

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252 regarding acts of the child specified in paragraph (a) of this 253 subsection, or for any other discipline conference regarding the 254 acts of the child;

255 Any parent, guardian or custodian of a (C) 256 compulsory-school-age child enrolled in a school district who 257 refuses or willfully fails to attend such discipline conference 258 specified in paragraph (b) of this \* \* \* subsection may be 259 summoned by proper notification by the superintendent of schools 260 or the school attendance officer and be required to attend such 261 discipline conference or parenting classes scheduled to 262 accommodate the working hours and transportation needs of the 263 parent, guardian or custodian; \* \* \*

(d) A parent, guardian or custodian of a
compulsory-school-age child enrolled in a public school district
shall be responsible for any criminal fines brought against such
student for unlawful activity occurring on school grounds or

268 buses **\* \* \* <u>;</u> and** 

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(e) A parent, guardian or custodian of a

270 compulsory-school-age child enrolled in a public school in a

271 school district participating in a Motivating Parents and Children

272 (MPAC) grant program as provided in this act who has been summoned

273 by proper notification by an appropriate school official to attend

274 <u>a conference</u>, school meeting, after-school meeting or class

275 regarding the acts of such child or parent specified under said

276 program shall be required under this provision to attend such

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#### 277 conference, school meeting, after-school meeting or class,

#### 278 provided that scheduling is sensitive to the parent's work hours

#### 279 and transportation needs.

280 Any parent, guardian or custodian of a (3) 281 compulsory-school-age child who (a) fails to attend a discipline 282 conference to which such parent, guardian or custodian has been 283 summoned under the provisions of this section, or (b) refuses or 284 willfully fails to perform any other duties imposed upon him or 285 her under the provisions of this section, shall first be given the 286 opportunity to enroll in a series of parenting classes consisting of not less than twenty (20) hours of instruction as developed by 287 288 the MPAC Program Coordinator and appropriate to the age of the 289 parent's child. If the parent does not attend the series of 290 classes, he shall be quilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, 291 shall be fined not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). 292 (4) Any public school district shall be entitled to recover 293 damages in an amount not to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars 294 (\$20,000.00), plus necessary court costs, from the parents of any 295 minor under the age of eighteen (18) years and over the age of six

(6) years, who maliciously and willfully damages or destroys property belonging to such school district. However, this section shall not apply to parents whose parental control of such child has been removed by court order or decree. The action authorized in this section shall be in addition to all other actions which the school district is entitled to maintain and nothing in this

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302 section shall preclude recovery in a greater amount from the minor 303 or from a person, including the parents, for damages to which such 304 minor or other person would otherwise be liable.

305 A school district's discipline plan may provide that as (5) 306 an alternative to suspension, a student may remain in school by 307 having the parent, guardian or custodian, with the consent of the 308 student's teacher or teachers, attend class with the student for a 309 period of time specifically agreed upon by the reporting teacher 310 and school principal. If the parent, quardian or custodian does not agree to attend class with the student or fails to attend 311 312 class with the student, the student shall be suspended in 313 accordance with the code of student conduct and discipline policies of the school district. 314

315 **SECTION 3.** Section 63-1-10, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 316 amended as follows:

317 63-1-10. (1) Upon the written request of a parent or 318 quardian of any applicant for a license under eighteen (18) years of age, the school district in which the applicant is enrolled 319 320 shall submit documentation to the Department of Public Safety 321 verifying that the applicant is in compliance with Section 322 63-1-9(1)(q). The verification shall be signed by the school 323 principal or his designee, or, in the case of a home study 324 program, the parent, or the adult education supervisor of the 325 General Educational Development Program or his designee. If the 326 student is enrolled in a nonpublic school, the school principal or

S. B. No. 2267 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 14/SS26/R111 PAGE 13 (tb\tb) 327 his designee is encouraged to submit the verification on behalf of 328 the student. Documentation of the applicant's enrollment status 329 shall be submitted on a form designed by the State Department of 330 Education that includes the written signed and notarized parent or 331 guardian's consent authorizing the release of the applicant's 332 attendance records to the Department of Public Safety, as approved 333 by the Department of Public Safety, in a manner that insures the 334 authenticity of the form and the information or signature 335 contained thereon, including via facsimile. The forms required 336 under this section to provide documentation shall be made available to all public high schools, private schools accredited 337 338 by the State Board of Education, adult education supervisors at 339 school board offices and, upon request, to others through the Department of Public Safety. 340

Whenever an applicant or licensee who is under eighteen 341 (2)342 (18) years of age is unable to attend any school program due to 343 acceptable circumstances, the school where the student last 344 attended shall transmit documentation to the department to excuse 345 such student from the provisions of Section 63-1-9(1)(g). The 346 school principal or his designee shall determine whether 347 nonattendance or absences are excused pursuant to Section 348 37-13-91. For purposes of this section, suspension or expulsion 349 from school or incarceration in a correctional institution is not 350 an acceptable circumstance for a person being unable to attend 351 school.

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S. B. No. 2267 14/SS26/R111 PAGE 14 (tb\tb) 352 (3) Any person denied a license for failure to satisfy the 353 education requirements of Section 63-1-9(1)(g) shall have the 354 right to file a request within thirty (30) days thereafter for a 355 hearing before the Department of Public Safety to determine 356 whether the person is entitled to a license or is subject to the 357 cancellation of his license under the provisions of this section. 358 The hearing shall be held within ten (10) days of the receipt by 359 the department of the request. Appeal from the decision of the 360 department may be taken under Section 63-1-31.

361 (4) Whenever a licensee under the age of eighteen (18) who 362 resides in a school district participating in the Motivating 363 Parents and Children (MPAC) pilot program provided under this act, 364 and who has not attained a diploma or other certificate of 365 graduation as prescribed in Section 63-1-19(2), withdraws or is suspended from his educational instruction, the attendance 366 367 counselor, social worker, parent, guardian or school administrator 368 designated by the State Board of Education to verify the 369 applicant's educational status under the provisions of said 370 program may, in his discretion, immediately notify the Department 371 of Public Safety of such withdrawal or suspension. Within five 372 (5) days of receipt of such notice, the Department of Public 373 Safety shall send notice to the licensee that the license shall 374 automatically be suspended for one (1) year under the provisions 375 of Section 63-1-53 on the thirtieth day following the date the 376 notice was sent unless documentation of compliance with the

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377 provisions of subsection (2) of this section is received by the 378 department before such time. For the purposes of this subsection, withdrawal shall be defined as more than ten (10) consecutive 379 380 unexcused and unlawful absences during a single semester for 381 school-age applicants under the age of eighteen (18) attending 382 school. 383 SECTION 4. Section 63-1-46, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 384 amended as follows: 385 63-1-46. (1) (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a fee of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) shall be charged 386 387 for the reinstatement of a license issued under this article to 388 every person whose license has been validly suspended, revoked or 389 cancelled, except those persons whose licenses were suspended 390 under Section 63-1-53(1)(k). 391 The funds received under the provisions of this (b) 392 subsection shall be distributed as follows: 393 (i) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be 394 deposited into the State General Fund in accordance with Section 395 45-1-23; 396 (ii) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be paid to the Board of Trustees of the Public Employees' Retirement System 397 398 for funding the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol Retirement 399 System as provided under Section 25-13-7; 400 (iii) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be 401 deposited into the special fund created in Section 63-1-45(3) for

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402 purchases of equipment by the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol; 403 and

404 (iv) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be
405 deposited into the Ignition Interlock Device Fund created in
406 Section 63-1-43 by Chapter 489, Laws of 2013.

407 (2) (a) A fee of One Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$175.00)
408 shall be charged for the reinstatement of a license issued under
409 this article to every person whose license has been validly
410 suspended or revoked under the provisions of the Mississippi
411 Implied Consent Law or as a result of a conviction of a violation
412 of the Uniform Controlled Substances Law under the provisions of
413 Section 63-1-71.

414 (b) The funds received under the provisions of this415 subsection shall be distributed as follows:

416 (i) One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) shall be 417 deposited into the State General Fund in accordance with Section 418 45-1-23;

(ii) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be paid to the Board of Trustees of the Public Employees' Retirement System for funding the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol Retirement System as provided under Section 25-13-7;

423 (iii) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be 424 deposited into the special fund created in Section 63-1-45(3) for 425 purchases of equipment by the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol; 426 and

427 (iv) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be
428 deposited into the Ignition Interlock Device Fund created in
429 Section 63-1-43 by Chapter 489, Laws of 2013.

(3) A fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be charged
for the reinstatement of a license issued under this article to
every person whose license has been validly suspended for
nonpayment of child support under the provisions of Sections
93-11-151 through 93-11-163. The funds received under the
provisions of this subsection shall be deposited into the State
General Fund in accordance with Section 45-1-23.

(4) The procedure for the reinstatement of a license issued
under this article that has been suspended for being out of
compliance with an order for support, as defined in Section
93-11-153, and the payment of any fees for the reinstatement of a
license suspended for that purpose, shall be governed by Section
93-11-157 or 93-11-163, as the case may be.

(5) All reinstatement fees charged under this section shall be in addition to the fee provided for application for a driver's license in Section 63-1-43.

446 SECTION 5. Section 63-1-53, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 447 amended as follows:

63-1-53. (1) Upon failure of any person to respond timely and properly to a summons or citation charging such person with any violation of this title, or upon failure of any person to pay timely any fine, fee or assessment levied as a result of any

S. B. No. 2267 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 14/SS26/R111 PAGE 18 (tb\tb) 452 violation of this title, the clerk of the court shall give written 453 notice to such person by United States first-class mail at his 454 last known address advising such person that, if within ten (10) 455 days after such notice is deposited in the mail, the person has 456 not properly responded to the summons or citation or has not paid 457 the entire amount of all fines, fees and assessments levied, then 458 the court will give notice thereof to the Commissioner of Public 459 Safety and the commissioner may suspend the driver's license of 460 such person. The actual cost incurred by the court in the giving 461 of such notice may be added to any other court costs assessed in 462 such case. If within ten (10) days after the notice is given in 463 accordance with this subsection such person has not satisfactorily 464 disposed of the matter pending before the court, then the clerk of 465 the court immediately shall mail a copy of the abstract of the 466 court record, along with a certified copy of the notice given 467 under this subsection, to the commissioner, and the commissioner 468 may suspend the driver's license of such person as authorized 469 under subsections (2) and (3) of this section.

470 (2) The commissioner is hereby authorized to suspend the 471 license of an operator without preliminary hearing upon a showing 472 by his records or other sufficient evidence that the licensee:

(a) Has committed an offense for which mandatory
revocation of license is required upon conviction except under the
provisions of the Mississippi Implied Consent Law;

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476 (b) Has been involved as a driver in any accident
477 resulting in the death or personal injury of another or serious
478 property damage;

479 (c) Is an habitually reckless or negligent driver of a 480 motor vehicle;

(d) Has been convicted with such frequency of serious
offenses against traffic regulations governing the movement of
vehicles as to indicate a disrespect for traffic laws and a
disregard for the safety of other persons on the highways;

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(e) Is incompetent to drive a motor vehicle;

486 (f) Has permitted an unlawful or fraudulent use of such 487 license;

(g) Has committed an offense in another state which if committed in this state would be grounds for suspension or revocation;

491 (h) Has failed to pay any fine, fee or other assessment
492 levied as a result of any violation of this title;

493 (i) Has failed to respond to a summons or citation
494 which charged a violation of this title; \* \* \*

(j) Has committed a violation for which mandatory revocation of license is required upon conviction, entering a plea of nolo contendere to, or adjudication of delinquency, pursuant to the provisions of subsection (1) of Section 63-1-71 \* \* \*; or

(k) Is under the age of eighteen (18) and has withdrawn

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## 500 or been suspended from his educational instruction program

### 501 pursuant to the provisions of Section 63-1-10(4).

502 Notice that a person's license is suspended or will be (3) 503 suspended under subsection (2) of this section shall be given by 504 the commissioner in the manner and at the time provided for under 505 Section 63-1-52, and upon such person's request, he shall be 506 afforded an opportunity for a hearing as early as practicable, but 507 not to exceed twenty (20) days after receipt of such request in 508 the county wherein the licensee resides unless the department and 509 the licensee agree that such hearing may be held in some other 510 county. Upon such hearing the commissioner, or his duly 511 authorized agent, may administer oaths and may issue subpoenas for 512 the attendance of witnesses and the production of relevant books 513 and papers and may require a reexamination of the licensee. Upon such hearing the commissioner shall either rescind any order of 514 515 suspension or, good cause appearing therefor, may extend any 516 suspension of such license or revoke such license.

(4) If a licensee has not paid all cash appearance bonds authorized under Section 99-19-3 or all fines, fees or other assessments levied as a result of a violation of this title within ninety (90) days after the commissioner has suspended the license of a person under subsection (2)(i) of this section, the court is authorized to pursue collection under Section 21-17-1(6) or 19-3-41(2) as for any other delinquent payment, and shall be

S. B. No. 2267 14/SS26/R111 PAGE 21 (tb\tb) 524 entitled to collection of all additional fees authorized under 525 those sections.

# 526 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from

527 and after July 1, 2014.

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