

By: Representative Rushing

To: Transportation;  
Judiciary A

## HOUSE BILL NO. 535

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-2-7, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 REVISE THE FINE IMPOSED FOR A VIOLATION OF THE MANDATORY USE OF  
3 SAFETY SEAT BELTS LAW; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 63-2-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:

7 63-2-7. (1) A violation of this chapter shall be a  
8 misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of \* \* \*~~Twenty-five Dollars~~  
9 ~~(\$25.00)~~ not more than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) upon  
10 conviction; however, only the operator of a vehicle may be fined  
11 for a violation of this chapter by the operator, for a violation  
12 of this chapter by a front-seat passenger or for a violation of  
13 this chapter by a child who is under seven (7) years of age and  
14 who is not required to be protected by the use of a child  
15 passenger restraint device or system or a belt positioning booster  
16 seat system under the provisions of Sections 63-7-301 through  
17 63-7-311, regardless of the seat that the child occupies. The  
18 maximum fine that may be imposed against the operator of a vehicle



19 for a violation of this chapter by the operator or for a violation  
20 of this chapter by one or more passengers shall  
21 be \* \* \*~~Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00)~~ not more than Two Hundred  
22 Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) in the aggregate.

23 (2) A violation of this chapter shall not be entered on the  
24 driving record of any individual so convicted, nor shall any state  
25 assessment provided for by Section 99-19-73, or any other state  
26 law, be imposed or collected.

27 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
28 and after July 1, 2017.

