To: Judiciary A

By: Representative Wilson

HOUSE BILL NO. 895

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-2-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT FAILURE TO USE A SEAT BELT MAY BE CONSIDERED CONTRIBUTORY NEGLIGENCE, COMPARATIVE NEGLIGENCE OR A FAILURE TO

3 CONTRIBUTORY NEGLIGENCE, COMPARATIVE NEGLIGENCE OR A FAILURE TO

4 MITIGATE DAMAGES IN CIVIL CASES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 63-2-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is

7 amended as follows:

- 8 63-2-3. * * * Failure to use a seat belt restraint device or
- 9 system may be considered contributory negligence, comparative
- 10 negligence or a failure to mitigate damages in civil cases. A
- 11 violation of this chapter shall not be entered on the driving
- 12 record of any individual.
- 13 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 14 and after July 1, 2017.