

By: Senator(s) Tollison

To: Local and Private

SENATE BILL NO. 3027

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF
 2 OXFORD, MISSISSIPPI, TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS ON
 3 PUBLIC ROADS AND STREETS THAT ARE WITHIN DESIGNATED RESIDENTIAL
 4 NEIGHBORHOODS OF THE CITY OF OXFORD; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF GOLF
 5 CARTS ON NONRESIDENTIAL AREAS OF THE CITY; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF
 6 GOLF CARTS ON CERTAIN PUBLIC ROADS, STREETS AND HIGHWAYS; TO
 7 PROVIDE THAT ANY PERSON OPERATING A GOLF CART ON THE PUBLIC ROADS
 8 AND STREETS UNDER THIS ACT MUST HAVE IN HIS OR HER POSSESSION A
 9 VALID TEMPORARY DRIVER'S LICENSE OR A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE AND
 10 PROOF OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

12 **SECTION 1.** As used in this act:

13 (a) "City" means the City of Oxford, Mississippi.

14 (b) "Governing authorities" means the Mayor and Board
15 of Aldermen of the City of Oxford, Mississippi.

16 (c) "Golf cart" means a motor vehicle that is
17 designated and manufactured for operation on a golf course for
18 sporting or recreational purposes and that is not capable of
19 exceeding speeds of twenty (20) miles per hour and is equipped
20 with a parking brake.

21 **SECTION 2.** (1) The governing authorities may, in their
22 discretion, authorize the operation of golf carts only on certain



23 public roads and streets that are within designated residential
24 neighborhoods within the city limits of the city. The
25 authorization shall be recorded on the minutes of the city and may
26 include all or as many of the subdivided, residential
27 neighborhoods in the city as the governing authorities determine
28 to be appropriate. The authorization may be accompanied by
29 conditions not inconsistent with this act, and may be revoked, in
30 whole or in part, by the governing authorities of the city at any
31 time.

32 (2) Golf carts may not be authorized in the nonresidential
33 area of the city. Golf carts may not be authorized on urban
34 interstate highways, urban freeways and expressways, urban
35 principal arterial streets, urban minor arterial streets,
36 Mississippi or U.S. Highways as defined by the comprehensive plan
37 of the city.

38 (3) Any person operating a golf cart on the public roads and
39 streets under this act must have in his or her possession a valid
40 temporary driver's license or a valid driver's license and proof
41 of financial responsibility as required under Section 63-15-1 et
42 seq., Mississippi Code of 1972.

43 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
44 and after its passage.

