Adopted COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill No. 811

BY: Committee

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

10 SECTION 1. (1) If a traffic accident occurs without serious 11 injury or death on a main lane, ramp, shoulder, median, or adjacent area of a highway in this state and each vehicle involved 12 13 can be normally and safely driven, each operator shall move the 14 operator's vehicle as soon as possible to a designated accident 15 investigation site, if available, a location on the frontage road, the nearest suitable cross-street, or other suitable location to 16 17 complete the other requirements under the law and minimize 18 interference with highway traffic.

20/SS36/HB811A.J PAGE 1 19 (2) Under this section, a vehicle can be normally and safely 20 driven only if the operator is capable of safely operating the 21 vehicle to move it and only if the vehicle:

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(a) Does not require towing; and

(b) Can be operated under its own power and in its
usual manner, without additional damage or hazard to the vehicle,
other traffic, or the roadway.

(3) For purposes of this section, "serious injury" means an
injury that results in the need of an ambulance or other emergency
medical transportation being called to the scene of the accident.

(4) Beginning on July 1, 2021, a person who does not comply
with the requirements of this section shall be punished in
accordance with Section 63-9-11.

32 (5) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall
33 determine and erect appropriate signs in appropriate locations
34 throughout the state to inform the public about the new state law
35 provided for in this section.

36 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 37 and after July 1, 2020.

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

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE OPERATOR OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN AN 2 ACCIDENT WITHOUT SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH ON A HIGHWAY IN THIS 3 STATE THAT IS CAPABLE OF SAFELY MOVING THE VEHICLE SHALL DO SO BY 4 MOVING THE VEHICLE TO A DESIGNATED ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION SITE, A 5 LOCATION ON THE FRONTAGE ROAD, THE NEAREST SUITABLE CROSS-STREET 6 OR OTHER SUITABLE LOCATION; TO MAKE A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION

7 PUNISHABLE AS A TRAFFIC OFFENSE BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2021; AND FOR 8 RELATED PURPOSES.

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