To: Ways and Means

By: Representative Busby

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1548

- AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-19-18, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE ALTERNATIVE HIGHWAY PRIVILEGE TAX FOR TRAILERS AND SEMITRAILERS FOR ELIGIBILITY OF ALL TRAILERS AND SEMITRAILERS, EXCEPT FOR RENTAL TRAILERS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 27-19-18, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 7 amended as follows:
- 8 27-19-18. (1) There is hereby levied, in lieu of any other
- 9 taxes and fees levied under this chapter, a highway privilege tax
- 10 in the amount of Sixty-five Dollars (\$65.00) upon the operation of
- 11 each trailer and semitrailer \* \* \*, except for rental trailers,
- 12 registered under the provisions of this article.
- 13 (2) Applications for license tags issued to trailers and
- 14 semitrailers upon which the tax is levied in subsection (1) of
- 15 this section shall be made upon a form prescribed by the
- 16 commission.
- 17 (3) Upon payment of the tax levied in subsection (1) of this
- 18 section and receipt of the application provided for in subsection
- 19 (2) of this section, the commission may issue to the owner a

- 20 license tag for such trailer or semitrailer. The tag shall be
- 21 valid for the duration of the owner's interest in the trailer or
- 22 semitrailer and shall not be required to be renewed. Such tag
- 23 shall bear the inscription "Trailer" and shall bear no date.
- 24 (4) The owners of all such trailers shall attach such tags
- 25 in a conspicuous position on the rear of each trailer under the
- 26 rear light so that it will be visible at night at a distance of
- 27 sixty (60) feet.
- 28 (5) In the event of a transfer of the title of such a
- 29 trailer or semitrailer, the license tag shall be surrendered to
- 30 the commission and no credit shall be allowed upon surrender. The
- 31 tag may not be transferred between trailers or semitrailers.
- 32 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 33 and after July 1, 2022.