MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

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By: Representative Yancey

To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1157

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE PERSONS OR ENTITIES ENGAGED IN THE RENTAL 2 OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO DISCLOSE THE TOTAL CHARGES FOR THE ENTIRE 3 RENTAL, INCLUDING ALL ADDITIONAL MANDATORY CHARGES; AND FOR 4 RELATED PURPOSES. 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 6 SECTION 1. (1) If a person or entity engaged in the 7 business of renting motor vehicles under rental agreements imposes additional mandatory charges, the person or entity shall: 8 9 (a) Provide a good-faith estimate of the total charges 10 for the entire rental, including all additional mandatory charges, whenever a quote is provided to a potential customer. The 11 12 good-faith estimate may exclude mileage charges and charges for optional items that cannot be determined prior to completing a 13 rental reservation based on the information provided by the 14 potential customer; and 15 Disclose the total charges for the entire rental, 16 (b) 17 including all additional mandatory charges, in the rental contract 18 provided to the renter. Total charges for the entire rental do 19 not include any charges that cannot be determined at the time the 20 rental commences.

(2) As used in this section, the following words and phrases
shall have the meanings as defined in this subsection, unless the
context clearly indicates otherwise:

(a) "Additional mandatory charge" means any separately
stated charges that a renter is required to pay that specifically
relate to the operation of a rental vehicle. This term includes,
but is not limited to, a customer facility charge, airport
concession recovery fee, vehicle license recovery fee and any
government imposed taxes or fees.

30 (b) "Quote" means an estimated cost of rental provided 31 to a potential customer based on information provided by the 32 customer, including potential dates of rental, location, or class 33 of vehicle.

34 (c) "Vehicle license recovery fee" means a fee to
35 recover costs to title, register, plate, or inspect a rental
36 vehicle that are incurred by a person or entity engaged in the
37 business of renting motor vehicles under rental agreements.

38 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 39 and after July 1, 2023.