

By: Senator(s) Wiggins

To: Judiciary, Division A

SENATE BILL NO. 2153

1 AN ACT TO CREATE SECTION 75-24-8, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO REQUIRE PERSONS OR ENTITIES ENGAGED IN THE RENTAL OF MOTOR
3 VEHICLES TO DISCLOSE THE TOTAL CHARGES FOR THE ENTITY RENTAL,
4 INCLUDING ALL ADDITIONAL MANDATORY CHARGES; AND FOR RELATED
5 PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 75-24-8, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 created as follows:

9 75-24-8. (1) The following words and phrases when used in
10 this section have the meaning respectively ascribed to them,
11 except for instances where the context clearly describes and
12 indicates a different meaning:

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



19 (b) "Quote" means an estimated cost of rental provided
20 to a potential customer based on information provided by the
21 customer, including potential dates of rental, location or class
22 of vehicle.

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

27 (2) If a person or entity engaged in the business of renting
28 motor vehicles under rental agreements imposes additional
29 mandatory charges, the person or entity shall:

30 (a) Provide a good-faith estimate of the total charges
31 for the entire rental, including all additional mandatory charges,
32 whenever a quote is provided to a potential customer. The
33 good-faith estimate may exclude mileage charges and charges for
34 optional items that cannot be determined prior to completing a
35 rental reservation based on the information provided by the
36 potential customer.

37 (b) Disclose in the rental contract provided to the
38 renter the total charges for the entire rental, including all
39 additional mandatory charges. Total charges for the entire rental
40 do not include any charges that cannot be determined at the time
41 the rental commences.

42 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
43 and after July 1, 2023.

