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HOUSE BILL NO. 217  
(As Passed the House)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 97-17-67, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO REVISE THE PENALTY FOR MALICIOUS MISCHIEF; AND FOR RELATED  
3 PURPOSES.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 97-17-67, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:

7 97-17-67. Every person who shall maliciously or  
8 mischievously destroy, disfigure, or injure, or cause to be  
9 destroyed, disfigured, or injured, any property of another, either  
10 real or personal, shall be guilty of malicious mischief and, upon  
11 conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than Five Hundred  
12 Dollars (\$500.00) or be imprisoned not exceeding twelve (12)  
13 months in the county jail, or both. Anyone who by any word, deed  
14 or act directly or indirectly urges, aids, abets, suggests or  
15 otherwise instills in the mind of another the will to so act shall  
16 be considered a principal in the commission of said crime and  
17 shall be punished in the same manner.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
19 and after July 1, 2000.