

By: Senator(s) Butler

To: Highways and
Transportation

SENATE BILL NO. 2400

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-1-43, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 ADD AN ADDITIONAL \$1.00 FEE TO THE 4-YEAR DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR THE
3 STATEWIDE LITTER PREVENTION FUND TO BE EXPENDED AS APPROVED BY
4 KEEP MISSISSIPPI BEAUTIFUL; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 63-1-43, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 63-1-43. (1) The fee for receiving the application and
9 issuing the regular driver's or operator's license and the fee for
10 renewing the license shall be:

11 (a) Nineteen Dollars (\$19.00), One Dollar (\$1.00) of
12 which shall be deposited to the Statewide Litter Prevention Fund,
13 the proceeds of which shall be expended solely for the purpose of
14 funding litter prevention projects or litter education programs as
15 recommended by the Statewide Litter Prevention Program of Keep
16 Mississippi Beautiful, Inc., plus the applicable photograph fee
17 for each applicant for a four-year license;

18 (b) Three Dollars (\$3.00) plus the applicable
19 photograph fee for each applicant for a one-year license, except
20 as provided in paragraph (c) of this subsection; and

21 (c) Eight Dollars (\$8.00) plus the applicable
22 photograph fee for a one-year license for each applicant who is
23 not a United States citizen and who does not possess a social
24 security number issued by the United States government.

25 All originals and renewals of regular operators' licenses
26 shall be in compliance with Section 63-1-47.

27 (2) The fee for receiving the application and issuing a
28 motorcycle endorsement shall be Five Dollars (\$5.00). Motorcycle

29 endorsements shall be valid for the same period of time as the
30 applicant's operator's license.

31 (3) The fee for receiving the application and issuing a
32 restricted motorcycle operator's license and the fee for renewing
33 such license shall be:

34 (a) Eleven Dollars (\$11.00) plus the applicable
35 photograph fee for a four-year license; and

36 (b) Eight Dollars (\$8.00) plus the applicable
37 photograph fee for a one (1) year license.

38 All originals and renewals of restricted motorcycle licenses
39 shall be valid for the same period of time that an original
40 regular driver's license may be issued to such person in
41 compliance with Section 63-1-47.

42 (4) From and after January 1, 1990, every person who makes
43 application for an original license or a renewal license to
44 operate a vehicle as a common carrier by motor vehicle, taxicab,
45 passenger coach, dray, contract carrier or private commercial
46 carrier as such terms are defined in Section 27-19-3, except for
47 those vehicles for which a Class A, B or C license is required
48 under Article 2 of this chapter, shall, in lieu of the regular
49 driver's license above provided for, apply for and obtain a Class
50 D commercial driver's license. Except as otherwise provided in
51 subsection (5) of this section, the fee for the issuance of a
52 Class D commercial driver's license shall be Twenty-three Dollars
53 (\$23.00) plus the applicable photograph fee for a period of four
54 (4) years; however, except as required under Article 2 of this
55 chapter, no driver of a pickup truck shall be required to have a
56 commercial license regardless of the purpose for which the pickup
57 truck is used.

58 Except as otherwise provided in subsection (5) of this
59 section, all originals and renewals of commercial licenses issued
60 under this section shall be valid for a period of four (4) years,
61 in compliance with Section 63-1-47. Only persons who operate the

62 above-mentioned vehicles in the course of the regular and
63 customary business of the owner shall be required to obtain a
64 Class D commercial operator's license, and persons operating such
65 vehicles for private purposes or in emergencies shall not be
66 required to obtain such license.

67 (5) The original and each renewal of a commercial driver's
68 license issued under this section to a person who is not a United
69 States citizen and who does not possess a social security number
70 issued by the United States government shall be issued for a
71 period of one (1) year for a fee of Eight Dollars (\$8.00) plus the
72 applicable photograph fee and shall expire one (1) year from the
73 date of issuance. Such person may renew a commercial license
74 issued under this section within thirty (30) days of expiration of
75 the license.

76 (6) The Commissioner of Public Safety, by rule or
77 regulation, shall establish a driver's license photograph fee
78 which shall be the actual cost of the photograph rounded off to
79 the next highest dollar. Monies collected for the photograph fee
80 shall be deposited into a special photograph fee account which the
81 Department of Public Safety shall use to pay the actual cost of
82 producing the photographs. Any monies collected in excess of the
83 actual costs of the photography shall be deposited to the General
84 Fund of the State of Mississippi.

85 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
86 and after July 1, 2004.