

By: Representative Chism

To: Judiciary B

HOUSE BILL NO. 541

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 99-19-25, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO PROVIDE THAT FINES REGARDING FAILURE TO HAVE AN INSURANCE CARD
3 IN A MOTOR VEHICLE SHALL NOT BE SUSPENDED; AND FOR RELATED
4 PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 99-19-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 99-19-25. The circuit courts and the county courts, in
9 misdemeanor cases, are hereby authorized to suspend a sentence and
10 to suspend the execution of a sentence, or any part thereof, on
11 such terms as may be imposed by the judge of the court. Provided,
12 the suspension of imposition or execution of a sentence hereunder
13 may not be revoked after a period of five (5) years. Provided,
14 however, the circuit courts and the county courts shall not
15 suspend any fine in cases arising under Section 63-15-4.

16 The justice courts, in misdemeanor cases, are hereby
17 authorized to suspend sentence and to suspend the execution of a
18 sentence, or any part thereof, on such terms as may be imposed by
19 the judge of the court. Provided, the suspension of imposition or
20 execution of a sentence hereunder may not be revoked after a
21 period of two (2) years. Provided, however, the justice courts in
22 cases arising under Sections 49-7-81, 49-7-95, 63-15-4 and the
23 Implied Consent Law shall not suspend any fine.

24 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
25 and after July 1, 2005.