

By: Senator(s) Mettetal, Dawkins, Frazier

To: Judiciary, Division B

SENATE BILL NO. 2343

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-2-7, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 CREATE VIOLATION OF SEAT BELT REQUIREMENTS AS A PRIMARY OFFENSE;  
3 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 63-2-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:

7 63-2-7. (1) A violation of this chapter shall be a  
8 misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00)  
9 upon conviction; however, only the operator of a vehicle may be  
10 fined for a violation of this chapter by the operator or for a  
11 violation of this chapter by a passenger. \* \* \* An operator may  
12 be fined for a violation of this chapter by a child who is at  
13 least four (4) years of age but under eight (8) years of  
14 age \* \* \*. The maximum fine that may be imposed against the  
15 operator of a vehicle for a violation of this chapter by the  
16 operator or for a violation of this chapter by one or more  
17 passengers shall be Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) in the aggregate.

18 (2) A violation of this chapter shall not be entered on the  
19 driving record of any individual so convicted, nor shall any state  
20 assessment provided for by Section 99-19-73, or any other state  
21 law, be imposed or collected.

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