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To: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL NO. 909  
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-19-56.94, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF  
2 1972, TO REAUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE  
3 LICENSE TAGS TO PERSONS WHO WISH TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR APPRECIATION  
4 OF BLUES MUSIC; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR  
5 VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS;  
6 TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE  
7 TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF MONIES DERIVED FROM THE  
8 ADDITIONAL FEE; TO AUTHORIZE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR  
9 VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE EQUINE  
10 ASSOCIATION; TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR SUCH LICENSE TAGS;  
11 TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO AUTHORIZE THE  
12 ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS DISPLAYING THE  
13 PHRASE "IN GOD WE TRUST"; TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF AN  
14 ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE  
15 THAT A PORTION OF THE ADDITIONAL FEE SHALL BE DISBURSED IN EQUAL  
16 AMOUNTS TO THE MISSISSIPPI CHAPTER, ORGANIZATION OR DIVISION OF  
17 BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, GIRL SCOUTS OF THE USA AND THE SALVATION  
18 ARMY; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO  
19 SUPPORTERS OF THE POLICE BENEVOLENT FOUNDATION; TO PRESCRIBE AN  
20 ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE  
21 FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF  
22 DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS OF THE GFWC MISSISSIPPI  
23 FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUB, INCORPORATED; TO PRESCRIBE AN  
24 ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE  
25 FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO AMEND SECTION 27-19-56,  
26 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE FROM ONE TO TWO THE MAXIMUM  
27 NUMBER OF SPECIAL LICENSE TAGS THAT MAY BE ISSUED TO A PERSON WITH  
28 A DISABILITY WHICH LIMITS OR IMPAIRS THE ABILITY TO WALK; TO AMEND  
29 SECTION 27-19-56.5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE FROM ONE  
30 TO TWO THE NUMBER OF PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR DISTINCTIVE MOTOR  
31 VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS THAT A QUALIFIED APPLICANT MAY BE ISSUED; TO  
32 AMEND SECTION 27-19-56.40, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO DELETE THE  
33 REQUIREMENT THAT A PERSON MUST BE A MEMBER OF KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
34 IN ORDER TO BE ISSUED A KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DISTINCTIVE LICENSE  
35 TAG; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE  
36 LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS OF LAMAR CHRISTIAN SCHOOL; TO PRESCRIBE  
37 AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO  
38 PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE  
39 ISSUANCE OF A DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAG FOR SUPPORTERS  
40 OF BAPTIST HOMES, INC.; TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE  
41 ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF  
42 SUCH FEES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE  
43 LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS OF KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER LADIES  
44 AUXILIARY; TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH  
45 LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO  
46 AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS  
47 TO SUPPORTERS OF OAK GROVE HIGH SCHOOL; TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL  
48 FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE  
49 DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A  
50 DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAG TO SUPPORTERS OF THE  
51 ELECTRIC POWER ASSOCIATIONS OF MISSISSIPPI FOUNDATION; TO  
52 PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS;



53 TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO AUTHORIZE THE  
54 ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS  
55 OF RIDGELAND HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC PROGRAMS; TO PRESCRIBE AN  
56 ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE  
57 FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF  
58 DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS OF THE  
59 MISSISSIPPI TENNIS ASSOCIATION; TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR  
60 THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION  
61 OF SUCH FEES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR  
62 VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS OF LEAKE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS;  
63 TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE  
64 TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; AN ACT TO  
65 AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS  
66 OF PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS LOCATED IN THE STATE; TO PRESCRIBE AN  
67 ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE  
68 FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF  
69 DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS OF THE LUMBERTON LINE  
70 SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE  
71 OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH  
72 FEES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE  
73 LICENSE TAGS DISPLAYING THE PHRASE "THANK A TEACHER TODAY"; TO  
74 PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS;  
75 TO PROVIDE THAT A PORTION OF THE ADDITIONAL FEE SHALL BE DISBURSED  
76 TO THE WILLIAM F. WINTER TEACHER SCHOLAR LOAN PROGRAM; TO  
77 AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS  
78 OF THE HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL  
79 FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE  
80 DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF  
81 DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS OF THE ART AND CRAFT OF  
82 QUILTMaking; TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF  
83 SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES;  
84 TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO  
85 SUPPORTERS OF INTERNATIONAL HAIR; TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL FEE  
86 FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE  
87 DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF  
88 DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF  
89 THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE  
90 ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF  
91 SUCH FEES; TO AMEND SECTION 27-19-56.56, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
92 TO REAUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE  
93 TAGS TO PERSONS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGE OF  
94 MISSISSIPPI, FREE AND ACCEPTED ANCIENT YORKRITE MASONS; TO AMEND  
95 SECTION 27-19-56.59, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REAUTHORIZE THE  
96 ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS TO PERSONS WHO  
97 ARE SUPPORTERS OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA; TO AUTHORIZE THE  
98 ISSUANCE OF DISTINCTIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS TO SUPPORTERS  
99 OF THE CLINTON COMMUNITY NATURE CENTER; TO PRESCRIBE AN ADDITIONAL  
100 FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSE TAGS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE  
101 DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FEES; TO AMEND SECTION 27-19-44, MISSISSIPPI  
102 CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE TAX COMMISSION MAY NOT  
103 PREPARE OR ISSUE ANY DISTINCTIVE LICENSE TAG OR PLATE AUTHORIZED  
104 BY THE LEGISLATURE AFTER JULY 1, 2007, UNLESS THE ORGANIZATION OR  
105 OTHER ENTITY FOR WHICH THE LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZED THE TAG SUBMITS  
106 PROOF TO THE COMMISSION THAT AT LEAST 300 TAGS OR PLATES WILL BE  
107 PURCHASED AND DEPOSITS WITH THE COMMISSION AN AMOUNT NECESSARY TO  
108 PURCHASE THAT NUMBER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

110 **SECTION 1.** Section 27-19-56.94, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
111 amended as follows:

112 27-19-56.94. (1) Beginning with any registration year  
113 commencing on or after July 1, 2007, owners of motor vehicles upon



114 complying with the motor vehicle laws relating to registration and  
115 licensing of motor vehicles, and upon payment of the road and  
116 bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
117 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
118 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
119 an additional annual fee in the amount provided in subsection (3)  
120 of this section, shall be entitled to a distinctive license tag  
121 that demonstrates their appreciation of blues music. The tags  
122 shall be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission  
123 prescribes subject to the approval of the Mississippi License Tag  
124 Commission; however, each tag shall display the words  
125 "Mississippi, Home of the Blues" and shall consist of such letters  
126 or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish each  
127 license tag.

128 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags shall be  
129 made to the county tax collector on forms prescribed by the State  
130 Tax Commission. The application and the additional fee imposed  
131 under subsection (3) of this section, less Two Dollars (\$2.00)  
132 thereof to be retained by the tax collector, shall be remitted to  
133 the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as prescribed by the  
134 commission. The portion of the additional fee retained by the tax  
135 collector shall be deposited into the county general fund.

136 (3) \* \* \* Any person applying for a distinctive license tag  
137 under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount of  
138 Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag applied  
139 for under this section, which shall be in addition to all other  
140 taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a period of  
141 time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established license  
142 tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the time the  
143 original application is made for a distinctive license tag under  
144 this section and thereafter annually at the time of renewal  
145 registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive license



146 tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive license  
147 tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax collector.

148 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
149 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
150 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected  
151 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute  
152 such collections as follows:

153 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
154 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
155 section shall be deposited into the special fund created in  
156 subsection (7) of this section.

157 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
158 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
159 be deposited into the Mississippi \* \* \* Burn Care Fund created  
160 pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

161 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
162 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
163 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
164 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
165 reconstruction of highways.

166 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
167 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
168 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
169 27-19-44.2.

170 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
171 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
172 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
173 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
174 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
175 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
176 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
177 tag.



178           (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
179 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
180 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
181 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
182 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
183 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
184 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
185 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
186 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
187 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

188           (7) There is established in the State Treasury a special  
189 fund to be known as the Blues Heritage Fund which shall consist of  
190 monies required to be deposited therein under subsection (4) of  
191 this section. Monies in the special fund shall be appropriated by  
192 the Legislature for projects that preserve and promote  
193 Mississippi's blues music heritage. Unexpended amounts remaining  
194 in the special fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not lapse  
195 into the State General Fund, and any interest earned or investment  
196 earnings on amounts in the special fund shall be deposited to the  
197 credit of the special fund.

198           (8) In order for a distinctive license tag to be issued  
199 under this section, the provisions of Section 27-19-44(2) must be  
200 satisfied for the distinctive license tag before July 1, 2010.

201           **SECTION 2.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
202 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
203 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
204 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
205 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
206 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
207 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor  
208 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
209 supporter of the Mississippi State Equine Association. The  
210 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and



211 design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice of the  
212 Mississippi State Equine Association, may prescribe and shall  
213 consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary  
214 to distinguish each license tag.

215 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
216 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
217 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
218 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
219 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be  
220 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as  
221 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee  
222 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county  
223 general fund.

224 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
225 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
226 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
227 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
228 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
229 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
230 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
231 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
232 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
233 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
234 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
235 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
236 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
237 collector.

238 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
239 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
240 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected  
241 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute  
242 such collections as follows:



243           (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
244 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
245 section shall be distributed to the Mississippi State Equine  
246 Association.

247           (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
248 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
249 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
250 to Section 7-9-70.

251           (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
252 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
253 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
254 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
255 reconstruction of highways.

256           (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
257 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
258 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
259 27-19-44.2.

260           (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
261 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
262 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
263 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
264 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
265 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
266 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
267 tag.

268           (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
269 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
270 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
271 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
272 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
273 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
274 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
275 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be



276 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
277 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

278       **SECTION 3.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle, who is a  
279 resident of this state, upon complying with the motor vehicle laws  
280 relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and upon  
281 payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes  
282 and registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of  
283 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,  
284 and upon payment of an additional annual fee in the amount  
285 provided in subsection (3) of this section, shall be entitled to a  
286 distinctive license tag displaying the phrase "In God We Trust,"  
287 for each motor vehicle registered in his name. The distinctive  
288 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the  
289 State Tax Commission may prescribe, and shall consist of such  
290 letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish  
291 each license tag.

292       (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
293 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
294 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
295 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
296 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
297 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
298 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
299 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
300 county general fund.

301       (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
302 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
303 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
304 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
305 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
306 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
307 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
308 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the





309 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
310 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
311 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
312 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
313 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
314 collector.

315 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
316 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
317 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
318 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
319 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
320 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

321 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
322 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
323 section shall be disbursed in equal amounts to the Mississippi  
324 chapter, organization or division of Boy Scouts of America, Girl  
325 Scouts of the USA and the Salvation Army.

326 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
327 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
328 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
329 to Section 7-9-70.

330 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
331 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
332 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
333 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
334 reconstruction of highways.

335 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
336 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
337 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
338 27-19-44.2.

339 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
340 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
341 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the



342 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
343 this section. The tax collector shall issue month and year decals  
344 for each distinctive license tag issued under this section, which  
345 will expire the same month and year as the regular license tag.

346 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
347 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
348 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
349 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
350 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
351 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
352 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
353 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
354 distributed proportionately in the same manner as funds from the  
355 sale of regular distinctive license tags issued under this  
356 section.

357 **SECTION 4.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
358 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
359 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
360 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
361 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
362 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
363 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
364 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
365 supporter of the Police Benevolent Foundation. The distinctive  
366 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the  
367 State Tax Commission, with the advice of the Board of Trustees of  
368 the Police Benevolent Foundation, may prescribe and shall consist  
369 of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to  
370 distinguish each license tag.

371 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
372 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
373 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
374 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less



375 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
376 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
377 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
378 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
379 county general fund.

380 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
381 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
382 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
383 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
384 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
385 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
386 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
387 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
388 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
389 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
390 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
391 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
392 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
393 collector.

394 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
395 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
396 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
397 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
398 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
399 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

400 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
401 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
402 section shall be distributed to the Police Benevolent Foundation.

403 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
404 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
405 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
406 to Section 7-9-70.



407 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
408 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
409 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
410 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
411 reconstruction of highways.

412 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
413 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
414 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
415 27-19-44.2.

416 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
417 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
418 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
419 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
420 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
421 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
422 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
423 tag.

424 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
425 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
426 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
427 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
428 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
429 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
430 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
431 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
432 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
433 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

434 **SECTION 5.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
435 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
436 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
437 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
438 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
439 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this



440 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
441 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
442 supporter of the GFWC Mississippi Federation of Women's Club,  
443 Incorporated. The distinctive license tags so issued shall be of  
444 such color and design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice  
445 of the Executive Board of the GFWC Mississippi Federation of  
446 Women's Club, Incorporated, may prescribe and shall consist of  
447 such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to  
448 distinguish each license tag.

449 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
450 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
451 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
452 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
453 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
454 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
455 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
456 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
457 county general fund.

458 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
459 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
460 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
461 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
462 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
463 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
464 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
465 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
466 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
467 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
468 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
469 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
470 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
471 collector.



472 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
473 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
474 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
475 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
476 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
477 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

478 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
479 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
480 section shall be distributed to the GFWC Mississippi Federation of  
481 Women's Club, Incorporated.

482 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
483 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
484 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
485 to Section 7-9-70.

486 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
487 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
488 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
489 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
490 reconstruction of highways.

491 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
492 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
493 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
494 27-19-44.2.

495 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
496 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
497 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
498 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
499 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
500 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
501 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
502 tag.

503 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
504 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and



505 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
506 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
507 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
508 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
509 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
510 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
511 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
512 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

513 **SECTION 6.** Section 27-19-56, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
514 amended as follows:

515 27-19-56. (1) Upon application by any legal resident of the  
516 State of Mississippi with a disability which limits or impairs the  
517 ability to walk, the State Tax Commission shall prepare and issue  
518 through the county tax collectors a special license plate bearing  
519 the International Symbol of Access adopted by Rehabilitation  
520 International in 1969 at its Eleventh World Congress on  
521 Rehabilitation of the Disabled for not more than two (2) vehicles  
522 that are registered in the applicant's name. The initial  
523 application shall be accompanied by the certification of a  
524 licensed physician that (a) the applicant meets the definition of  
525 persons with disabilities which limit or impair the ability to  
526 walk; and (b) that the physician has determined that the applicant  
527 will have the disability for at least five (5) years. The State  
528 Tax Commission shall prepare and issue to the tax collectors of  
529 the various counties, decals for placement on the special license  
530 plates. The decals shall bear thereon the month in which the  
531 license plate was issued and the year in which the special license  
532 plate will expire. The special license plate issued under this  
533 section is valid for the period of time that the license tag  
534 attached upon a motor vehicle is issued pursuant to Section  
535 27-19-31(1). A person to whom the special license plate is issued  
536 may retain the special license plate and may renew it by  
537 submitting to the county tax collector, on or before its



538 expiration, the certification of a licensed physician that the  
539 physician has determined (a) that the applicant meets the  
540 definition of a person with a disability which limits or impairs  
541 the ability to walk; and (b) that the applicant will have the  
542 disability for at least five (5) years. If an applicant fails to  
543 renew the special license plate before its date of expiration,  
544 then he shall surrender the special license plate to the county  
545 tax collector and the tax collector shall issue to such person a  
546 regular license plate to replace the special license plate.

547 The terms "vehicle" and "motor vehicle," as used in this  
548 section, includes motorcycles.

549 The term "persons with disabilities which limit or impair the  
550 ability to walk" when used in this section means those persons  
551 who, as determined by a licensed physician:

552 (a) Cannot walk two hundred (200) feet without stopping  
553 to rest; or

554 (b) Cannot walk without the use of, or assistance from,  
555 a brace, cane, crutch, another person, prosthetic device,  
556 wheelchair, or other assistive device; or

557 (c) Are restricted by lung disease to such an extent  
558 that the person's forced (respiratory) expiratory volume for one  
559 (1) second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one (1)  
560 liter, or the arterial oxygen tension is less than sixty (60)  
561 mm/hg on room air at rest; or

562 (d) Use portable oxygen; or

563 (e) Have a cardiac condition to the extent that the  
564 person's functional limitations are classified in severity as  
565 Class III or Class IV according to standards set by the American  
566 Heart Association; or

567 (f) Are severely limited in their ability to walk due  
568 to an arthritic, neurological or orthopedic condition.

569 An applicant for a special license plate bearing the  
570 International Symbol of Access shall not be required to pay any





571 fee or charge for the issuance of such license plate separate from  
572 or in addition to the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem  
573 taxes and registration fees otherwise required by law to be paid  
574 for the issuance of a regular license plate for such vehicle.

575 (2) The State Tax Commission shall prepare removable  
576 windshield placards and such placards shall be issued and  
577 periodically renewed upon the applications of persons with  
578 disabilities which limit or impair the ability to walk. The  
579 placards shall be issued, free of charge, to applicants through  
580 the offices of the tax collectors of the counties. The initial  
581 application shall be accompanied by the certification of a  
582 licensed physician that the applicant meets the definition of  
583 persons with disabilities which limit or impair the ability to  
584 walk. These placards shall be valid for the period of time that  
585 the license tag attached upon a motor vehicle is issued pursuant  
586 to Section 27-19-31(1) and may be renewed in the same manner as  
587 provided for the renewal of the special license plates under  
588 subsection (1) of this section. The removable windshield placard  
589 must be displayed on the left side of the vehicle dashboard or by  
590 hanging it on the rearview mirror of the vehicle. The State Tax  
591 Commission shall prescribe the placement for motorcycles.

592 (3) The State Tax Commission shall provide for the issuance  
593 of a temporary removable windshield placard, upon the application  
594 of a person with a disability which limits or impairs the ability  
595 to walk. Temporary removable windshield placards authorized by  
596 this subsection shall be prepared by the State Tax Commission and  
597 shall be issued, free of charge, to applicants through the offices  
598 of the tax collectors of the counties. Application for a  
599 temporary removable windshield placard must be accompanied by the  
600 certification of a licensed physician that the applicant meets the  
601 definition of persons with disabilities which limit or impair the  
602 ability to walk. The certification shall also include the period  
603 of time that the physician determines the applicant will have the



604 disability, not to exceed six (6) months. The temporary removable  
605 windshield placard must be displayed on the left side of the  
606 vehicle dashboard or by hanging it on the rearview mirror of the  
607 vehicle. The temporary removable windshield placard shall be  
608 valid for a period of time for which the physician has determined  
609 that the applicant will have the disability, not to exceed six (6)  
610 months from the date of issuance. The State Tax Commission shall  
611 prescribe the placement for motorcycles.

612 (4) The removable windshield placard and the temporary  
613 removable windshield placard shall be two-sided and shall include:

614 (a) The International Symbol of Access, which is at  
615 least three (3) inches in height, centered on the placard (the  
616 color of the removable windshield placard shall be white on a blue  
617 shield; and the temporary removable windshield placard shall be  
618 white on a red shield);

619 (b) An identification number and, on the reverse side,  
620 the name of the individual to whom the placard is issued;

621 (c) A date of expiration; and

622 (d) The seal of the State of Mississippi.

623 (5) (a) It shall be unlawful to park a motor vehicle in an  
624 area set aside for persons who are disabled if the motor vehicle  
625 does not (i) have displayed the removable windshield placard  
626 authorized in this section with the date of expiration visible,  
627 (ii) have the special license plate issued under this section  
628 properly displayed upon the motor vehicle, or (iii) have the  
629 disabled American veteran tag or plate issued under Section  
630 27-19-53 properly displayed upon the motor vehicle. Any person  
631 who unlawfully parks a motor vehicle in such areas, or who blocks  
632 such spaces or access thereto, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor  
633 and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than Two  
634 Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each such violation. For the third  
635 and subsequent offenses under this section, the offender's  
636 driver's license shall be suspended for ninety (90) days by the



637 Commissioner of Public Safety in accordance with Section 63-1-53  
638 in addition to any fine imposed. The court shall not suspend or  
639 reduce any fine required to be imposed under this subsection.

640 (b) A person who is charged with a violation of this  
641 section by parking a motor vehicle in an area set aside for  
642 persons who are disabled and failing properly to display (i) a  
643 removable windshield placard on the dash of the vehicle or by  
644 hanging it on the rearview mirror of the vehicle, (ii) a special  
645 license plate issued under this section upon the vehicle or (iii)  
646 a disabled American veteran tag or plate issued under Section  
647 27-19-53 upon the vehicle shall not be convicted and shall have  
648 the charge dismissed upon presentation to the court of proof by  
649 means of sworn oral testimony or sworn affidavit that at the time  
650 of the charged violation he or a passenger in the vehicle  
651 possessed a valid removable windshield placard issued under this  
652 section.

653 (6) Any person who, for the purpose of obtaining a special  
654 license plate or windshield placard under this section, files with  
655 the county tax collector a physician's certification, knowing the  
656 certification to be false or to have been fraudulently obtained,  
657 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be  
658 fined not more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).

659 (7) All law enforcement officers are authorized to enforce  
660 this section on public and private property. Provision of spaces  
661 restricted to handicapped parking and proper marking of such  
662 spaces shall be considered as intent and permission to enforce  
663 such designated parking on private property. Any owner of private  
664 property may tow away a vehicle that is parked on the owner's  
665 private property in violation of the disabled parking restrictions  
666 set forth in this section at the vehicle owner's expense. In  
667 addition, the vehicle owner may be subject to any fines or other  
668 penalties provided in this section. Only areas marked in  
669 accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility



670 Guidelines or equivalent standards shall be enforced. Spaces  
671 shall bear the International Symbol of Access.

672 (8) Motor vehicles displaying a special license plate,  
673 license plate decal, placard or parking certificate or permit  
674 bearing the International Symbol of Access issued to a person with  
675 a disability by any other state or district subject to the laws of  
676 the United States shall be allowed the special parking privileges  
677 under this section provided the license plate, decal, placard,  
678 permit or certificate bears the International Symbol of Access and  
679 is displayed in a prominent place on the vehicle.

680 (9) Parking in any area set aside for persons who are  
681 disabled is limited to vehicles which, immediately before or after  
682 the utilization of such an area, are used to transport a person  
683 with a disability which limits or impairs the ability to walk.  
684 The identification required to park in such an area, except as  
685 provided in subsection (8) of this section, is as follows:

686 (a) For a vehicle used to transport a person with a  
687 permanent disability, that person's permanent windshield placard  
688 must be displayed or the vehicle must have a special license tag  
689 issued under this section or Section 27-19-53 properly displayed.

690 (b) For a vehicle being used by a person who has a  
691 temporary disability which limits or impairs the ability to walk,  
692 or which is being used to transport such a person, a temporary  
693 windshield placard must be displayed.

694 Any person who parks in an area set aside for persons who are  
695 disabled in violation of this subsection shall be punished as  
696 provided for in subsection (5) of this section.

697 (10) Upon application by a nursing home, retirement home or  
698 other institution that transports disabled persons, the State Tax  
699 Commission may issue the special license plate authorized pursuant  
700 to this section for not more than one (1) vehicle that is  
701 registered in the applicant's name that is used to transport  
702 disabled residents of the institution. Such institution shall



703 comply with all other laws regarding the registration of such  
704 vehicle.

705         **SECTION 7.** Section 27-19-56.5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
706 amended as follows:

707         27-19-56.5. (1) In recognition of the patriotic service  
708 rendered by Mississippians who survived the attack on Pearl Harbor  
709 and by Mississippians who are recipients of the Purple Heart  
710 Medal, any such person is privileged to obtain two (2) distinctive  
711 motor vehicle license plates or tags identifying him as a Pearl  
712 Harbor survivor or not more than two (2) distinctive motor vehicle  
713 license plates or tags identifying him as a Purple Heart Medal  
714 recipient. The distinctive plates or tags shall be of a color and  
715 design designated by the State Tax Commission.

716         (2) The distinctive license plates shall be prepared by the  
717 State Tax Commission and shall be issued through the tax  
718 collectors of the counties in the same manner as are other motor  
719 vehicle license plates or tags. A tag fee of Fifteen Dollars  
720 (\$15.00), in addition to all other taxes and fees, shall be  
721 collected by the tax collector for the Pearl Harbor distinctive  
722 tag. The first distinctive tag issued to Purple Heart Medal  
723 recipients under the provisions of this section shall be exempt  
724 from ad valorem taxes, privilege taxes and all other taxes and  
725 fees. There shall be no exemption from ad valorem taxes,  
726 privilege taxes or other taxes and fees for the issuance of a  
727 second distinctive tag to Purple Heart Medal recipients. However,  
728 the surviving spouse of a deceased person who was issued a Purple  
729 Heart Medal distinctive license plate or tag under this section  
730 shall be entitled to apply for or retain one (1) such license tag  
731 and may continue annually to renew registration for such  
732 distinctive motor vehicle license plate or tag for as long as the  
733 spouse remains unmarried. At the time of application or renewal  
734 registration, a surviving spouse who desires to retain such  
735 distinctive plate or tag shall file with the county tax collector



736 a sworn statement that the spouse is unmarried, and any such  
737 vehicle when so registered shall be exempt from ad valorem taxes,  
738 privilege taxes and all other taxes and fees. The tax collector  
739 shall monthly forward the additional fee of Fifteen Dollars  
740 (\$15.00) charged for issuance of a Pearl Harbor distinctive tag to  
741 the State Tax Commission which shall deposit such fee to the  
742 credit of the State General Fund. An applicant for a distinctive  
743 tag under this section shall present to the issuing official  
744 either (a) written proof that the applicant is an honorably  
745 discharged former member of one (1) of the Armed Forces of the  
746 United States and, while serving in the Armed Forces of the United  
747 States, was present during the attack on the island of Oahu,  
748 Territory of Hawaii, on December 7, 1941, between the hours of  
749 7:55 a.m. and 9:45 a.m., Hawaii time, or (b) written proof that  
750 the applicant is a Purple Heart Medal recipient. The distinctive  
751 license plates or tags so issued shall be used only upon a  
752 personally or jointly owned private passenger vehicle (to include  
753 station wagons, recreational motor vehicles and pickup trucks)  
754 registered in the name, or jointly in the name, of the person  
755 making application therefor, and when issued to such person shall  
756 be used upon the vehicle for which issued in lieu of the standard  
757 license plate or license tag normally issued for such vehicle.

758 (3) The distinctive license plates shall not be transferable  
759 between motor vehicle owners; and in the event the owner of a  
760 vehicle bearing a distinctive plate shall sell, trade, exchange or  
761 otherwise dispose of the vehicle, such plate shall be retained by  
762 such owner and returned to the tax collector.

763 (4) A vehicle that displays a distinctive license plate  
764 issued under this section may park free of charge in any state  
765 parking space or state parking facility when the person to whom  
766 the license plate was issued is operating or occupying the  
767 vehicle.



768 (5) Any person evading or violating any of the provisions of  
769 this section, or attempting to secure benefits under this section  
770 to which he is not entitled, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and,  
771 upon conviction, shall be fined not less than One Thousand Dollars  
772 (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned in the county jail for not less than six  
773 (6) months, or both.

774 **SECTION 8.** Section 27-19-56.40, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
775 amended as follows:

776 27-19-56.40. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
777 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
778 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
779 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
780 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
781 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
782 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
783 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
784 supporter of Knights of Columbus. The distinctive license tags so  
785 issued shall be of such color and design as the State Tax  
786 Commission, with the advice of Knights of Columbus, may prescribe  
787 and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be  
788 necessary to distinguish each license tag.

789 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
790 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
791 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
792 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
793 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
794 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
795 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
796 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
797 county general fund.

798 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
799 after July 1, 2002, any person applying for a distinctive license  
800 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount



801 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
802 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
803 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
804 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
805 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
806 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
807 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
808 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
809 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
810 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
811 collector.

812 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
813 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
814 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
815 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
816 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
817 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

818 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
819 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
820 section shall be distributed to Knights of Columbus of  
821 Mississippi.

822 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
823 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
824 be deposited into the Mississippi \* \* \* Burn Care Fund created  
825 pursuant to Section 7-9-70.

826 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
827 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
828 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
829 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
830 reconstruction of highways.

831 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
832 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall





833 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
834 27-19-44.2.

835 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
836 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag issued  
837 under this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered  
838 to the tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag  
839 under this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2)  
840 license decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this  
841 section, which will expire the same month and year as the regular  
842 license tag.

843 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
844 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
845 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
846 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
847 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
848 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
849 deposit in the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
850 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
851 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
852 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

853 **SECTION 9.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
854 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
855 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
856 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
857 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
858 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
859 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
860 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
861 supporter of Lamar Christian School. The distinctive license tags  
862 so issued shall display the words "Lamar Christian School" and  
863 shall be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission,  
864 with the advice of the principal of Lamar Christian School, may



865 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,  
866 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

867 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
868 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
869 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
870 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
871 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
872 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
873 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
874 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
875 county general fund.

876 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
877 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
878 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
879 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
880 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
881 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
882 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
883 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
884 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
885 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
886 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
887 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
888 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
889 collector.

890 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
891 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
892 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
893 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
894 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
895 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:



896 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
897 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
898 section shall be distributed to Lamar Christian School.

899 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
900 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
901 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
902 to Section 7-9-70.

903 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
904 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
905 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
906 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
907 reconstruction of highways.

908 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
909 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
910 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
911 27-19-44.2.

912 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
913 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
914 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
915 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
916 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
917 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
918 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
919 tag.

920 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
921 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
922 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
923 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
924 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
925 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
926 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
927 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be



928 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
929 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

930       SECTION 10. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle, who is a  
931 resident of this state, upon complying with the motor vehicle laws  
932 relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and upon  
933 payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes  
934 and registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of  
935 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,  
936 and upon payment of an additional annual fee in the amount  
937 provided in subsection (3) of this section, shall be issued a  
938 special license tag for each motor vehicle registered in his name  
939 identifying such person as a supporter of Baptist Homes, Inc. The  
940 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and  
941 design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice of Baptist  
942 Homes, Inc., may prescribe, shall have "SON Valley" inscribed upon  
943 it and shall consist of the such letters or numbers, or both, as  
944 may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

945       (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
946 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
947 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
948 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
949 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
950 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
951 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
952 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
953 county general fund.

954       (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
955 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
956 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
957 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
958 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
959 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
960 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established



961 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
962 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
963 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
964 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
965 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
966 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
967 collector.

968 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
969 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
970 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
971 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
972 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
973 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

974 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
975 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
976 section shall be disbursed to Baptist Homes, Inc.

977 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
978 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
979 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
980 to Section 7-9-70.

981 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
982 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
983 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
984 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
985 reconstruction of highways.

986 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
987 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
988 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
989 27-19-44.2.

990 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
991 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
992 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
993 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under



994 this section. The tax collector shall issue month and year decals  
995 for each distinctive license tag issued under this section, which  
996 will expire the same month and year as the regular license tag.

997 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
998 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
999 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1000 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1001 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1002 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1003 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1004 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
1005 distributed proportionately in the same manner as funds from the  
1006 sale of regular distinctive license tags issued under this  
1007 section.

1008 **SECTION 11.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1009 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
1010 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1011 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1012 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1013 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
1014 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
1015 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1016 supporter of the Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary. The  
1017 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and  
1018 design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice of the Knights  
1019 of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary, may prescribe and shall consist  
1020 of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to  
1021 distinguish each license tag.

1022 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1023 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1024 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1025 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1026 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,



1027 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1028 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1029 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1030 county general fund.

1031 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1032 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1033 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1034 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1035 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1036 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1037 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1038 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1039 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1040 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1041 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1042 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1043 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1044 collector.

1045 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1046 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1047 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1048 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1049 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1050 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1051 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1052 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1053 section shall be distributed to the Knights of Peter Claver Ladies  
1054 Auxiliary.

1055 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1056 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1057 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1058 to Section 7-9-70.



1059 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1060 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1061 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1062 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1063 reconstruction of highways.

1064 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1065 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1066 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1067 27-19-44.2.

1068 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1069 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1070 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
1071 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1072 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
1073 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
1074 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
1075 tag.

1076 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1077 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
1078 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1079 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1080 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1081 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1082 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1083 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
1084 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
1085 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1086 **SECTION 12.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1087 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
1088 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1089 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1090 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1091 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this





1092 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
1093 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1094 supporter of Oak Grove High School. The distinctive license tags  
1095 so issued shall display the words "Oak Grove High School" and  
1096 shall be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission,  
1097 with the advice of the principal of Oak Grove High School, may  
1098 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,  
1099 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

1100 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1101 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1102 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1103 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1104 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
1105 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1106 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1107 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1108 county general fund.

1109 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1110 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1111 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1112 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1113 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1114 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1115 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1116 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1117 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1118 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1119 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1120 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1121 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1122 collector.

1123 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1124 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,



1125 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1126 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1127 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1128 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1129 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1130 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1131 section shall be distributed to the Oak Grove High School parent  
1132 teacher association.

1133 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1134 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1135 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1136 to Section 7-9-70.

1137 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1138 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1139 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1140 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1141 reconstruction of highways.

1142 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1143 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1144 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1145 27-19-44.2.

1146 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1147 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1148 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
1149 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1150 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
1151 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
1152 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
1153 tag.

1154 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1155 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
1156 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1157 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license



1158 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1159 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1160 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1161 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
1162 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
1163 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1164 **SECTION 13.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1165 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
1166 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1167 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1168 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1169 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
1170 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for each motor  
1171 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1172 supporter of the Electric Power Associations of Mississippi  
1173 Foundation. The distinctive license tags so issued shall be of  
1174 such color and design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice  
1175 of the Board of Directors of the Electric Power Associations of  
1176 Mississippi Foundation, may prescribe and shall consist of such  
1177 letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish  
1178 each license tag.

1179 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1180 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1181 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1182 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1183 Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be retained by the tax collector, shall be  
1184 remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis as  
1185 prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional fee  
1186 retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the county  
1187 general fund.

1188 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1189 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1190 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount



1191 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1192 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1193 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1194 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1195 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1196 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1197 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1198 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1199 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1200 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1201 collector.

1202 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1203 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1204 the State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected  
1205 under this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute  
1206 such collections as follows:

1207 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1208 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1209 section shall be distributed to the Electric Power Associations of  
1210 Mississippi Foundation.

1211 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1212 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1213 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1214 to Section 7-9-70.

1215 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1216 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1217 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1218 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1219 reconstruction of highways.

1220 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1221 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1222 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1223 27-19-44.2.



1224 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1225 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1226 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
1227 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1228 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
1229 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
1230 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
1231 tag.

1232 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1233 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
1234 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1235 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1236 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1237 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1238 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1239 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
1240 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
1241 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1242 **SECTION 14.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1243 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
1244 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1245 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1246 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1247 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
1248 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
1249 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1250 supporter of Ridgeland High School athletic programs. The  
1251 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and  
1252 design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice of the  
1253 Ridgeland High School Titan Pride Athletic Booster Club, may  
1254 prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both,  
1255 as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.



1256           (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1257 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1258 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1259 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1260 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
1261 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1262 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1263 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1264 county general fund.

1265           (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1266 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1267 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1268 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1269 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1270 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1271 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1272 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1273 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1274 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1275 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1276 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1277 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1278 collector.

1279           (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1280 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1281 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1282 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1283 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1284 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1285           (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1286 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1287 section shall be distributed to the Ridgeland High School Titan  
1288 Pride Athletic Booster Club.



1289 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1290 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1291 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1292 to Section 7-9-70.

1293 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1294 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1295 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1296 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1297 reconstruction of highways.

1298 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1299 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1300 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1301 27-19-44.2.

1302 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1303 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1304 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
1305 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1306 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
1307 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
1308 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
1309 tag.

1310 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1311 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
1312 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1313 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1314 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1315 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1316 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1317 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
1318 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
1319 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1320 **SECTION 15.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1321 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge



1322 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1323 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1324 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1325 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
1326 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
1327 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1328 supporter of the Mississippi Tennis Association. The distinctive  
1329 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the  
1330 State Tax Commission, with the advice of the Mississippi Tennis  
1331 Association, may prescribe and shall consist of such letters or  
1332 numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish each license  
1333 tag.

1334 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1335 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1336 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1337 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1338 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
1339 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1340 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1341 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1342 county general fund.

1343 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1344 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1345 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1346 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1347 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1348 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1349 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1350 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1351 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1352 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1353 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1354 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive





1355 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1356 collector.

1357 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1358 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1359 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1360 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1361 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1362 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1363 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1364 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1365 section shall be distributed to the Mississippi Tennis  
1366 Association.

1367 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1368 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1369 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1370 to Section 7-9-70.

1371 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1372 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1373 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1374 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1375 reconstruction of highways.

1376 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1377 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1378 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1379 27-19-44.2.

1380 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1381 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1382 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
1383 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1384 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
1385 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
1386 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
1387 tag.



1388 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1389 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
1390 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1391 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1392 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1393 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1394 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1395 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
1396 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
1397 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1398 **SECTION 16.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1399 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
1400 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1401 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1402 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1403 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
1404 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
1405 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1406 supporter of Leake County public schools. The distinctive license  
1407 tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the State Tax  
1408 Commission, with the advice of the Leake County School District,  
1409 may prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or  
1410 both, as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

1411 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1412 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1413 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1414 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1415 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
1416 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1417 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1418 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1419 county general fund.



1420           (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1421 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1422 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1423 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1424 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1425 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1426 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1427 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1428 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1429 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1430 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1431 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1432 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1433 collector.

1434           (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1435 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1436 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1437 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1438 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1439 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1440                   (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1441 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1442 section shall be distributed to the Leake County School District.

1443                   (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1444 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1445 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1446 to Section 7-9-70.

1447                   (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1448 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1449 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1450 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1451 reconstruction of highways.



1452 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1453 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1454 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1455 27-19-44.2.

1456 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1457 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1458 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
1459 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1460 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
1461 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
1462 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
1463 tag.

1464 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1465 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
1466 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1467 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1468 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1469 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1470 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1471 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
1472 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
1473 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1474 **SECTION 17.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1475 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
1476 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1477 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1478 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1479 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
1480 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
1481 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1482 supporter of the public school district of his choice located in  
1483 this state. The distinctive license tags so issued shall be of  
1484 such color and design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice



1485 of the school district selected by the applicant, may prescribe  
1486 and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be  
1487 necessary to distinguish each license tag.

1488 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1489 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1490 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1491 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1492 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
1493 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1494 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1495 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1496 county general fund.

1497 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1498 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1499 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1500 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1501 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1502 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1503 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1504 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1505 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1506 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1507 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1508 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1509 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1510 collector.

1511 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1512 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1513 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1514 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1515 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1516 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:



1517           (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1518 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1519 section shall be distributed to the school district selected by  
1520 the license tag applicant.

1521           (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1522 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1523 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1524 to Section 7-9-70.

1525           (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1526 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1527 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1528 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1529 reconstruction of highways.

1530           (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1531 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1532 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1533 27-19-44.2.

1534           (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1535 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1536 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
1537 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1538 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
1539 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
1540 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
1541 tag.

1542           (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1543 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
1544 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1545 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1546 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1547 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1548 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1549 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be



1550 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
1551 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1552        SECTION 18. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1553 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
1554 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1555 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1556 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1557 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
1558 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
1559 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1560 supporter of the Lumberton Line School District. The distinctive  
1561 license tags so issued shall display the words "Lumberton Line  
1562 School District" and shall be of such color and design as the  
1563 State Tax Commission, with the advice of the Lumberton Line School  
1564 District, may prescribe and shall consist of such letters or  
1565 numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish each license  
1566 tag.

1567        (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1568 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1569 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1570 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1571 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
1572 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1573 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1574 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1575 county general fund.

1576        (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1577 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1578 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1579 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1580 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1581 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1582 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established



1583 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1584 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1585 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1586 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1587 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1588 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1589 collector.

1590 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1591 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1592 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1593 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1594 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1595 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1596 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1597 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1598 section shall be distributed to the Lumberton Line School  
1599 District.

1600 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1601 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1602 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1603 to Section 7-9-70.

1604 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1605 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1606 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1607 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1608 reconstruction of highways.

1609 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1610 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1611 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1612 27-19-44.2.

1613 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1614 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1615 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the





1616 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1617 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
1618 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
1619 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
1620 tag.

1621 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1622 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
1623 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1624 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1625 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1626 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1627 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1628 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
1629 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
1630 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1631 **SECTION 19.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle, who is a  
1632 resident of this state, upon complying with the motor vehicle laws  
1633 relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and upon  
1634 payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes  
1635 and registration fees as prescribed by law for private carriers of  
1636 passengers, pickup trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles,  
1637 and upon payment of an additional annual fee in the amount  
1638 provided in subsection (3) of this section, shall be entitled to a  
1639 distinctive license tag displaying the phrase "Thank a Teacher  
1640 Today," for each motor vehicle registered in his name. The  
1641 distinctive license tags so issued shall be of such color and  
1642 design as the State Tax Commission may prescribe, and shall  
1643 consist of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary  
1644 to distinguish each license tag.

1645 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1646 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1647 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1648 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less



1649 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
1650 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1651 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1652 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1653 county general fund.

1654 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1655 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1656 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1657 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1658 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1659 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1660 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1661 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1662 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1663 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1664 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1665 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1666 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1667 collector.

1668 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1669 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1670 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1671 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1672 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1673 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1674 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1675 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1676 section shall be disbursed to the William F. Winter Teacher  
1677 Scholar Loan Program.

1678 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1679 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1680 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1681 to Section 7-9-70.



1682 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1683 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1684 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1685 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1686 reconstruction of highways.

1687 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1688 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1689 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1690 27-19-44.2.

1691 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1692 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1693 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
1694 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1695 this section. The tax collector shall issue month and year decals  
1696 for each distinctive license tag issued under this section, which  
1697 will expire the same month and year as the regular license tag.

1698 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1699 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
1700 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1701 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1702 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1703 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1704 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1705 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
1706 distributed proportionately in the same manner as funds from the  
1707 sale of regular distinctive license tags issued under this  
1708 section.

1709 **SECTION 20.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1710 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
1711 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1712 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1713 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1714 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this



1715 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
1716 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1717 supporter of the Hancock County, Mississippi, School District.  
1718 The distinctive license tags so issued shall display the words  
1719 "Hancock County School District" and shall be of such color and  
1720 design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice of the Hancock  
1721 County School District, may prescribe and shall consist of such  
1722 letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish  
1723 each license tag.

1724 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1725 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1726 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1727 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1728 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
1729 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1730 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1731 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1732 county general fund.

1733 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1734 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1735 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1736 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1737 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1738 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1739 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1740 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1741 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1742 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1743 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1744 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1745 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1746 collector.



1747 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1748 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1749 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1750 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1751 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1752 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1753 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1754 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1755 section shall be distributed to the Hancock County School  
1756 District.

1757 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1758 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1759 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1760 to Section 7-9-70.

1761 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1762 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1763 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1764 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1765 reconstruction of highways.

1766 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1767 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1768 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1769 27-19-44.2.

1770 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1771 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1772 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
1773 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1774 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
1775 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
1776 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
1777 tag.

1778 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1779 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and



1780 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1781 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1782 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1783 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1784 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1785 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
1786 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
1787 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1788        SECTION 21. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1789 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
1790 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1791 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1792 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1793 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
1794 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
1795 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1796 supporter of the art and craft of quilting. The distinctive  
1797 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the  
1798 State Tax Commission, with the advice of the Mississippi Quilt  
1799 Association, may prescribe and shall consist of such letters or  
1800 numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish each license  
1801 tag.

1802        (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1803 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1804 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1805 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1806 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
1807 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1808 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1809 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1810 county general fund.

1811        (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1812 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license



1813 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1814 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1815 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1816 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1817 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1818 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1819 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1820 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1821 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1822 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1823 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1824 collector.

1825 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1826 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1827 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1828 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1829 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1830 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1831 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1832 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1833 section shall be distributed to the Mississippi Quilt Association.

1834 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1835 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1836 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1837 to Section 7-9-70.

1838 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1839 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1840 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1841 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1842 reconstruction of highways.

1843 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1844 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall



1845 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1846 27-19-44.2.

1847 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1848 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1849 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
1850 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1851 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
1852 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
1853 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
1854 tag.

1855 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1856 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
1857 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1858 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1859 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1860 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1861 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1862 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
1863 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
1864 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1865 **SECTION 22.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1866 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
1867 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1868 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1869 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1870 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
1871 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
1872 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1873 supporter of International Hair. The distinctive license tags so  
1874 issued shall display the letters "IH" and shall be of such color  
1875 and design as the State Tax Commission, with the advice of the  
1876 president or chief executive officer of J & J Hair Design College,





1877 may prescribe and shall consist of such letters or numbers, or  
1878 both, as may be necessary to distinguish each license tag.

1879 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1880 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1881 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1882 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1883 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
1884 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1885 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1886 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1887 county general fund.

1888 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1889 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1890 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1891 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1892 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1893 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
1894 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1895 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1896 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1897 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1898 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1899 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1900 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1901 collector.

1902 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1903 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1904 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1905 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1906 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1907 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:



1908           (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1909 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1910 section shall be distributed to J & J Hair Design College.

1911           (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1912 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1913 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1914 to Section 7-9-70.

1915           (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1916 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1917 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1918 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1919 reconstruction of highways.

1920           (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1921 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1922 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
1923 27-19-44.2.

1924           (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
1925 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
1926 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
1927 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
1928 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
1929 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
1930 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
1931 tag.

1932           (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
1933 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
1934 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
1935 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
1936 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
1937 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
1938 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
1939 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be



1940 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
1941 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

1942         SECTION 23. (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
1943 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
1944 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
1945 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
1946 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
1947 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
1948 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
1949 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
1950 supporter of the Democratic Party of the State of Mississippi.  
1951 The distinctive license tags so issued shall contain the name and  
1952 logo of the Democratic Party of the State of Mississippi and shall  
1953 be of such color and design as the State Tax Commission, with the  
1954 advice of the Executive Committee of the Democratic Party of the  
1955 State of Mississippi, may prescribe and shall consist of such  
1956 letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to distinguish  
1957 each license tag.

1958         (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
1959 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
1960 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
1961 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
1962 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
1963 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
1964 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
1965 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
1966 county general fund.

1967         (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
1968 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
1969 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
1970 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
1971 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
1972 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a



1973 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
1974 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
1975 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
1976 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
1977 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
1978 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive  
1979 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
1980 collector.

1981 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
1982 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
1983 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
1984 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
1985 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
1986 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

1987 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
1988 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1989 section shall be distributed to the Democratic Party of the State  
1990 of Mississippi.

1991 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
1992 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
1993 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
1994 to Section 7-9-70.

1995 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
1996 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
1997 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
1998 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
1999 reconstruction of highways.

2000 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
2001 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
2002 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
2003 27-19-44.2.

2004 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
2005 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under



2006 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
2007 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
2008 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
2009 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
2010 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
2011 tag.

2012 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
2013 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
2014 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
2015 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
2016 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
2017 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
2018 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
2019 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
2020 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
2021 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2022 **SECTION 24.** Section 27-19-56.56, Mississippi Code of 1972,  
2023 is amended as follows:

2024 27-19-56.56. (1) Beginning with any registration year  
2025 commencing on or after July 1, 2007, any owner of a motor vehicle  
2026 who is a member of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Mississippi,  
2027 Free and Accepted Ancient Yorkrite Masons, upon complying with the  
2028 motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor  
2029 vehicles, and upon payment of the road and bridge privilege taxes,  
2030 ad valorem taxes and registration fees as prescribed by law for  
2031 private carriers of passengers, pickup trucks and other  
2032 noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of an additional  
2033 annual fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
2034 section, shall be entitled to a special license tag which displays  
2035 the Prince Hall Grand Lodge Mason emblem and displays the letters  
2036 "F&AAYM." The tags shall be of such color and design as the State  
2037 Tax Commission shall prescribe subject to the approval of the  
2038 Mississippi License Tag Commission.



2039           (2) Application for the special license tags authorized by  
2040 this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
2041 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. Applicants for such  
2042 distinctive license tags shall present to the issuing official  
2043 documentation from the Free and Accepted Ancient Yorkrite Masons,  
2044 Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Mississippi as prescribed by the State  
2045 Tax Commission showing their membership in the Free and Accepted  
2046 Ancient Yorkrite Masons, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Mississippi.  
2047 The application and the additional fee imposed under subsection  
2048 (3) of this section, less Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be  
2049 retained by the tax collector, shall be remitted to the State Tax  
2050 Commission on a monthly basis as prescribed by the commission.  
2051 The portion of the additional fee retained by the tax collector  
2052 shall be deposited into the county general fund.

2053           (3) \* \* \* Any person applying for a distinctive license tag  
2054 under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount of  
2055 Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag applied  
2056 for under this section, which shall be in addition to all other  
2057 taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a period of  
2058 time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established license  
2059 tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the time the  
2060 original application is made for a distinctive license tag under  
2061 this section and thereafter annually at the time of renewal  
2062 registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive license  
2063 tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive license  
2064 tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax collector.

2065           (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
2066 State Treasury on the day received. At the end of each month, the  
2067 State Tax Commission shall certify the total fees collected under  
2068 this section to the State Treasurer who shall distribute such  
2069 collections as follows:

2070           (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
2071 collected on special license tags shall be deposited in a special



2072 fund hereby created in the State Treasury to the credit of the  
2073 Free and Accepted Ancient Yorkrite Masons, Prince Hall Grand Lodge  
2074 of Mississippi. The funds shall be available for expenditure at  
2075 the discretion of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Mississippi.

2076 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
2077 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
2078 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
2079 27-19-44.2.

2080 (c) The remainder of each such additional fee shall be  
2081 deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund to be expended  
2082 solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or reconstruction  
2083 of highways.

2084 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
2085 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
2086 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
2087 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
2088 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
2089 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
2090 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
2091 tag.

2092 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
2093 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
2094 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
2095 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
2096 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
2097 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
2098 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
2099 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
2100 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
2101 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2102 (7) In order for a distinctive license tag to be issued  
2103 under this section, the provisions of Section 27-19-44(2) must be  
2104 satisfied for the distinctive license tag before July 1, 2010.



2105           **SECTION 25.** Section 27-19-56.59, Mississippi Code of 1972,  
2106 is amended as follows:

2107           27-19-56.59. (1) Beginning with any registration year  
2108 commencing on or after July 1, 2007, any owner of a motor vehicle  
2109 who is a resident of this state, upon payment of the road and  
2110 bridge privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as  
2111 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
2112 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
2113 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
2114 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
2115 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
2116 supporter of the Boy Scouts of America. Subject to the approval  
2117 of the State Tax Commission, the distinctive license tags so  
2118 issued shall be of such color and design as the Andrew Jackson  
2119 Council, Boy Scouts of America, may prescribe and shall consist of  
2120 such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to  
2121 distinguish each license tag.

2122           (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
2123 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
2124 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
2125 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
2126 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
2127 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
2128 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
2129 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
2130 county general fund.

2131           (3) \* \* \* Any person applying for a distinctive license tag  
2132 under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount of  
2133 Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag applied  
2134 for under this section, which shall be in addition to all other  
2135 taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a period of  
2136 time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established license  
2137 tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the time the





2138 original application is made for a distinctive license tag under  
2139 this section and thereafter annually at the time of renewal  
2140 registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive license  
2141 tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive license  
2142 tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax collector.

2143 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
2144 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
2145 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
2146 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
2147 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
2148 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

2149 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
2150 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
2151 section shall be distributed to the Andrew Jackson Council, Boy  
2152 Scouts of America, or its successor by merger or otherwise. The  
2153 Andrew Jackson Council shall distribute the fees so received to  
2154 the councils of the Boy Scouts of America with council boundaries  
2155 covering any part of the State of Mississippi, including the  
2156 Andrew Jackson Council, with the fees to be distributed to each of  
2157 those councils on the basis of the fees generated by the purchase  
2158 of the distinctive license tags within the counties covered by the  
2159 particular council boundary. The State Tax Commission shall  
2160 furnish to the Andrew Jackson Council such information as is  
2161 necessary for the Andrew Jackson Council to distribute the fees in  
2162 the manner herein provided. The Andrew Jackson Council is  
2163 authorized to deduct an administrative fee from the fees  
2164 distributed to the councils in such amount as is approved by the  
2165 individual councils receiving the fees to be distributed.

2166 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
2167 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
2168 be deposited into the Mississippi Fire Fighter's Memorial Burn  
2169 Center Fund created pursuant to Section 7-9-70.



2170 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
2171 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
2172 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
2173 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
2174 reconstruction of highways.

2175 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
2176 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
2177 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
2178 27-19-44.2.

2179 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
2180 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
2181 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
2182 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
2183 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
2184 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
2185 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
2186 tag.

2187 (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
2188 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
2189 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
2190 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
2191 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
2192 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
2193 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
2194 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
2195 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
2196 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2197 (7) In order for a distinctive license tag to be issued  
2198 under this section, the provisions of Section 27-19-44(2) must be  
2199 satisfied for the distinctive license tag before July 1, 2010.

2200 **SECTION 26.** (1) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a  
2201 resident of this state, upon payment of the road and bridge  
2202 privilege taxes, ad valorem taxes and registration fees as



2203 prescribed by law for private carriers of passengers, pickup  
2204 trucks and other noncommercial motor vehicles, and upon payment of  
2205 an additional fee in the amount provided in subsection (3) of this  
2206 section, shall be issued a distinctive license tag for any motor  
2207 vehicle registered in his name identifying such person as a  
2208 supporter of the Clinton Community Nature Center. The distinctive  
2209 license tags so issued shall be of such color and design as the  
2210 State Tax Commission, with the advice of the Board of Trustees of  
2211 Clinton Community Nature Center, may prescribe and shall consist  
2212 of such letters or numbers, or both, as may be necessary to  
2213 distinguish each license tag.

2214 (2) Application for the distinctive license tags authorized  
2215 by this section shall be made to the county tax collector on forms  
2216 prescribed by the State Tax Commission. The application and the  
2217 additional fee imposed under subsection (3) of this section, less  
2218 Two Dollars (\$2.00) thereof to be retained by the tax collector,  
2219 shall be remitted to the State Tax Commission on a monthly basis  
2220 as prescribed by the commission. The portion of the additional  
2221 fee retained by the tax collector shall be deposited into the  
2222 county general fund.

2223 (3) Beginning with any registration year commencing on or  
2224 after July 1, 2007, any person applying for a distinctive license  
2225 tag under this section shall pay an additional fee in the amount  
2226 of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each distinctive license tag  
2227 applied for under this section, which shall be in addition to all  
2228 other taxes and fees. The additional fee paid shall be for a  
2229 period of time to run concurrently with the vehicle's established  
2230 license tag year. The additional fee is due and payable at the  
2231 time the original application is made for a distinctive license  
2232 tag under this section and thereafter annually at the time of  
2233 renewal registration as long as the owner retains the distinctive  
2234 license tag. If the owner does not wish to retain the distinctive



2235 license tag, he must surrender it to the local county tax  
2236 collector.

2237 (4) The State Tax Commission shall deposit all fees into the  
2238 State Treasury on the day collected. At the end of each month,  
2239 the State Tax Commission shall certify to the State Treasurer the  
2240 total fees collected under this section from the issuance of the  
2241 distinctive license tags issued under this section. The State  
2242 Treasurer shall distribute such collections as follows:

2243 (a) Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) of each additional fee  
2244 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
2245 section shall be distributed to the Clinton Community Nature  
2246 Center.

2247 (b) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
2248 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
2249 be deposited into the Mississippi Burn Care Fund created pursuant  
2250 to Section 7-9-70.

2251 (c) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of each additional fee  
2252 collected on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this  
2253 section shall be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund  
2254 to be expended solely for the repair, maintenance, construction or  
2255 reconstruction of highways.

2256 (d) One Dollar (\$1.00) of each additional fee collected  
2257 on distinctive license tags issued pursuant to this section shall  
2258 be deposited to the credit of the special fund created in Section  
2259 27-19-44.2.

2260 (5) A regular license tag must be properly displayed as  
2261 required by law until replaced by a distinctive license tag under  
2262 this section. The regular license tag must be surrendered to the  
2263 tax collector upon issuance of the distinctive license tag under  
2264 this section. The tax collector shall issue up to two (2) license  
2265 decals for each distinctive license tag issued under this section,  
2266 which will expire the same month and year as the regular license  
2267 tag.



2268           (6) In the case of loss or theft of a distinctive license  
2269 tag issued under this section, the owner may make application and  
2270 affidavit for a replacement distinctive license tag as provided by  
2271 Section 27-19-37. The fee for a replacement distinctive license  
2272 tag shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The tax collector receiving  
2273 such application and affidavit shall be entitled to retain and  
2274 deposit into the county general fund five percent (5%) of the fee  
2275 for such replacement license tag and the remainder shall be  
2276 distributed in the same manner as funds from the sale of regular  
2277 distinctive license tags issued under this section.

2278           **SECTION 27.** Section 27-19-44, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
2279 amended as follows:

2280           27-19-44. (1) For any distinctive license tag or plate  
2281 authorized by the Legislature from and after July 1, 2000, through  
2282 June 30, 2002, or authorized by Sections 27-19-56.37 and  
2283 27-19-56.55, the requirements of this subsection must be met  
2284 before the State Tax Commission may prepare or issue any such  
2285 license tag or plate. The organization or other entity for which  
2286 the Legislature authorized the distinctive license tag or plate  
2287 must submit proof satisfactory to the State Tax Commission that at  
2288 least one hundred (100) of such license tags or plates will be  
2289 purchased and must deposit with the commission an amount necessary  
2290 to purchase one hundred (100) of such license tags or plates. The  
2291 organization or other entity for which the Legislature authorized  
2292 the distinctive license tag or plate must satisfy the requirements  
2293 of this subsection (1) within two (2) years after the effective  
2294 date of the law authorizing the license tag or plate in order to  
2295 permit the license tag or plate to be prepared and issued.

2296           (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (1) of this  
2297 section, any distinctive license tag or plate authorized by the  
2298 Legislature from and after July 1, 2002, through June 30, 2007,  
2299 the requirements of this subsection must be met before the State  
2300 Tax Commission may prepare or issue any such license tag or plate.



2301 The organization or other entity for which the Legislature  
2302 authorized the distinctive license tag or plate must submit proof  
2303 satisfactory to the State Tax Commission that at least two hundred  
2304 (200) of such license tags or plates will be purchased and must  
2305 deposit with the commission an amount necessary to purchase two  
2306 hundred (200) of such license tags or plates. The organization or  
2307 other entity for which the Legislature authorized the distinctive  
2308 license tag or plate must satisfy the requirements of this  
2309 subsection (2) within three (3) years after the effective date of  
2310 the law authorizing the license tag or plate in order to permit  
2311 the license tag or plate to be prepared and issued.

2312 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, Section  
2313 27-19-56.56, 27-19-56.59 or Section 27-19-56.94, any distinctive  
2314 license tag or plate authorized by the Legislature from and after  
2315 July 1, 2007, the requirements of this subsection must be met  
2316 before the State Tax Commission may prepare or issue any such  
2317 license tag or plate. The organization or other entity for which  
2318 the Legislature authorized the distinctive license tag or plate  
2319 must submit proof satisfactory to the State Tax Commission that at  
2320 least three hundred (300) of such license tags or plates will be  
2321 purchased and must deposit with the commission an amount necessary  
2322 to purchase three hundred (300) of such license tags or plates.  
2323 The organization or other entity for which the Legislature  
2324 authorized the distinctive license tag or plate must satisfy the  
2325 requirements of this subsection (3) within three (3) years after  
2326 the effective date of the law authorizing the license tag or plate  
2327 in order to permit the license tag or plate to be prepared and  
2328 issued.

2329 (4) If the organization or other entity for which the  
2330 Legislature authorized the distinctive license tag or plate meets  
2331 the requirements of subsection (1), (2) or (3) of this section,  
2332 the State Tax Commission shall prepare and issue the distinctive  
2333 license tag or plate.



2334           (5) The State Tax Commission shall review the number of  
2335 distinctive or special license tags or plates issued pursuant to  
2336 this chapter during the period for the license tag or plate  
2337 series. If the number of any distinctive or special license tag  
2338 or plate issued pursuant to this chapter falls below one hundred  
2339 (100) in the last year of the license tag or plate series, the  
2340 distinctive or special license tag or plate shall be discontinued  
2341 at the end of the period for the license tag or plate series.

2342           (6) If a distinctive or special license tag or plate is  
2343 discontinued under subsection (5) of this section, the  
2344 organization or other entity for which the license tag or plate  
2345 was discontinued may prepare a distinctive or special license tag  
2346 or plate decal. The distinctive or special license tag or plate  
2347 decal shall be of such size, color and design as may be agreed  
2348 upon by the organization or other entity and the State Tax  
2349 Commission. However, the State Tax Commission shall have final  
2350 approval of the size, color and design of the decal. The  
2351 distinctive or special license tag or plate decals shall be  
2352 prepared and sold by the organization or other entity, and the  
2353 proceeds derived from the sale of such decals shall be retained by  
2354 the organization or other entity for any use deemed appropriate by  
2355 the organization or other entity.

2356           (7) The provisions of this section shall not apply to  
2357 distinctive or special license tags or plates:

2358                   (a) Which are issued under Section 27-19-45, 27-19-46,  
2359 27-19-47.1, 27-19-47.2, 27-19-48, 27-19-49, 27-19-53, 27-19-55,  
2360 27-19-56, 27-19-56.1, 27-19-56.2, 27-19-56.3, 27-19-56.5,  
2361 27-19-56.6, 27-19-56.9, 27-19-56.11, 27-19-56.12, 27-19-56.13,  
2362 27-19-56.62, 27-19-56.69, 27-19-56.79 or 27-19-56.137; or

2363                   (b) For which no additional fee is required to be paid.

2364           **SECTION 28.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
2365 and after July 1, 2007.

