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## **Dale Reminds Consumers of Auto Liability Limit Changes**

Jackson –Commissioner of Insurance George Dale today reminded consumers that effective January 1, 2006 mandatory automobile liability limits in Mississippi will change. On that date Mississippi drivers will be required to carry liability limits that include \$25,000 for bodily injury to or death of one person, \$50,000 for bodily injury or death of two or more persons, and \$25,000 for injury to or death of one person, \$20,000 for bodily injury or death of two or more persons, and \$5,000 for injury to or destruction of property of others.

The increases in limits are a direct result of legislation passed by Mississippi lawmakers in the last regular session of 2005. At that time legislators passed House Bill 722 which called for the increases.

"The new law applies to all policies written or renewed on or after January 1, 2006. Consequently when some policies come up for renewal some people may see adjustments in their premiums to reflect the new mandatory limits," said Dale.

Dale encouraged Mississippi drivers to consult with their agents if they have any questions regarding individual policies. Additional requirements and information can be found in MID Bulletin No. 2005-3 on the MID website, www.doi.state.ms.us

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