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To: Transportation

HOUSE BILL NO. 540

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 55-13-33 AND 55-13-35, MISSISSIPPI
2 CODE OF 1972, TO DELETE CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS FROM THE SIGN,
3 ADVERTISEMENT AND BUILDING RESTRICTIONS IN PROXIMITY OF OR
4 ADJACENT TO THE NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 55-13-33, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 55-13-33. No advertisement or advertising structure shall be
9 erected, constructed, installed, maintained or operated within one
10 thousand (1,000) feet of the outside boundary of the Natchez Trace
11 Parkway outside the limits of any municipality except as follows:

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13 (a) Historic markers erected by duly constituted and
14 authorized public authorities;

15 (b) Highway markers and signs erected or caused to be
16 erected by the Mississippi State Highway Department or other
17 authorized authorities in accordance with the law; and

18 (c) Directional and official signs or notices erected
19 and maintained by public officers or agencies pursuant to and in
20 accordance with lawful authorization for the purpose of carrying
21 out an official duty or responsibility.

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23 SECTION 2. Section 55-13-35, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
24 amended as follows:

25 55-13-35. It shall be unlawful to construct or erect any
26 structure or advertisement sign of more than three (3) stories or
27 thirty-five (35) feet in height, whichever is lesser, within one
28 thousand (1,000) feet of the outside boundary of the Natchez Trace
29 Parkway. Such restrictions on any structure or advertisement sign
30 shall apply notwithstanding that such area is located inside or
31 outside a municipality and notwithstanding any other provisions of
32 law to the contrary. It is the legislative intent of this
33 section, in part, that possession of a building permit on July 1,
34 1988, shall not allow any construction after July 1, 1988, based
35 on that permit. This section shall not apply to any building in
36 existence on July 1, 1988. * * *

37 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from
38 and after July 1, 2000.