HOUSE BILL NO. 1208

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 19-5-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE THAT THE BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTIES OF THIS
3 STATE MAY BURY LIVESTOCK WHICH HAVE DIED AS A RESULT OF AN
4 EMERGENCY SITUATION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
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6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
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8 SECTION 1. Section 19-5-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
9 amended as follows:
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11 19-5-15. The boards of supervisors of the several counties
12 of this state, in their discretion, are hereby authorized and
13 empowered to use the road equipment of the counties to dig graves
14 for the burying of livestock which shall have died as a result of
15 an emergency situation as determined by the boards of supervisors
16 or from an epidemic, whenever any licensed veterinarian shall
17 certify to the board or any member thereof that there is an
18 epidemic, contagious disease, among the livestock of the county or
19 any portion of the county and immediate burial is necessary in
20 order to prevent the spread of a contagious disease and would be
21 in the best interest of the community wherein livestock have
22 contracted such disease, provided such graves shall be upon the
23 premises of the owner of the livestock, or upon property provided
24 by such owner.
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26 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
27 and after July 1, 2001.