SENATE BILL NO. 2845

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 19-3-42, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS TO MAINTAIN PRIVATE ROADS OR DRIVEWAYS USED AS TURNAROUNDS BY HEAD START BUSES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 19-3-42, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

19-3-42. (1) The board of supervisors of any county is hereby authorized and empowered, in its discretion, to grade, gravel or shell, repair, and/or maintain private gravel or shell roads or driveways to private residences if the roads or driveways are used for school bus turnarounds, including Head Start program buses or any successor to that program.

(2) Prior to engaging in the work authorized in subsection (1) of this section, the board of supervisors shall spread upon the official minutes of the board:

(a) The written request of the school board or local Head Start administrator for such work;

(b) The written approval of the board of supervisors for such work;

(c) The specific location of the road or driveway to be worked; and

(d) The name of the owner of the road or driveway to be worked.

(3) The written request of the school board or local Head Start administrator, as required in subsection (2)(a) above, shall contain a current list of all active * * * bus turnarounds presently in use * * * or contemplated for use * * * for the
present school year. The approval by the board of supervisors shall be valid and effective for the period of time that a turnaround is anticipated for use, but not for a period greater than one (1) year.

(4) • • • The board of supervisors of any county is further authorized, in its discretion, to maintain public school grounds of the county and to grade, gravel, shell or overlay, and/or to maintain gravel, shell, asphalt or concrete roads, driveways or parking lots of public schools of the county if, before engaging in the work, the board of supervisors shall spread upon its official minutes the written request of the school board for the work, the written approval of the board of supervisors for the work and the specific location of the school grounds or road, driveway or parking lot, to be worked.

(5) • • • The board of supervisors of any county is hereby authorized, in its discretion, to repair and maintain driveways and parking lots of: (a) any nonprofit organization in the county which is tax exempt under Section 501(c) of the United States Internal Revenue Code and which has as one (1) of its primary purposes for organization to aid and assist in the rehabilitation of persons suffering from drug abuse or drug addiction; and (b) any private, nonprofit cemeteries in the county. The board of supervisors of any county shall not be authorized under the provisions of this subsection to repair or maintain driveways or parking lots located more than one hundred fifty (150) feet from the center of any highway, road or street under the jurisdiction of the county.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.