

By: Representative Weathersby

To: Transportation

HOUSE BILL NO. 480

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-3-519, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO AUTHORIZE THE SHERIFF, DEPUTY SHERIFFS AND CONSTABLES IN ANY
3 COUNTY TO USE RADAR SPEED DETECTION EQUIPMENT UPON THE PUBLIC
4 STREETS, ROADS AND HIGHWAYS OF THE COUNTY LYING OUTSIDE OF THE
5 LIMITS OF ANY INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 63-3-519, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 63-3-519. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person or peace
10 officer or law enforcement agency, except the Mississippi Highway
11 Safety Patrol, to purchase or use or allow to be used any type of
12 radar speed detection equipment upon any public street, road or
13 highway of this state. However, such equipment may be used:

14 (a) By municipal law enforcement officers within a
15 municipality having a population of two thousand (2,000) or more
16 upon the public streets of the municipality;

17 (b) By any college or university campus police force
18 within the confines of any campus wherein more than two thousand
19 (2,000) students are enrolled;

20 (c) By municipal law enforcement officers in any
21 municipality having a population in excess of fifteen thousand
22 (15,000) according to the latest federal census on federally
23 designated highways lying within the corporate limits; and

24 (d) By the sheriff, deputy sheriffs and constables of
25 any county on any public road, street or highway (i) that is under
26 the jurisdiction of the county board of supervisors for
27 maintenance and construction, and (ii) that is located outside the
28 corporate limits of a municipality.



29 (2) The Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol shall not set up
30 radar on highways within municipalities with a population in
31 excess of fifteen thousand (15,000) according to the latest
32 federal census.

33 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
34 and after July 1, 2003.

