HOUSE BILL NO. 878

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-3-519, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 2 TO AUTHORIZ THE SHERIFF AND HIS DEPUTIES IN ANY COUNTY HAVING A 3 POPULATION OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND OR MORE TO USE RADAR 4 SPEED DETECTION EQUIPMENT UPON THE PUBLIC STREETS, ROADS AND 5 HIGHWAYS OF THE COUNTY LYING OUTSIDE OF THE LIMITS OF ANY 6 INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 63-3-519, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 9 amended as follows:

63-3-519. (1) It is unlawful for any person or peace 11 officer or law enforcement agency, except the Mississippi Highway 12 Safety Patrol, to purchase or use or allow to be used any type of 13 radar speed detection equipment upon any public street, road or 14 highway of this state. However, such equipment may be used:

   (a) By municipal law enforcement officers within a 16 municipality having a population of two thousand (2,000) or more 17 upon the public streets of the municipality;

   (b) By any college or university campus police force 19 within the confines of any campus wherein more than two thousand 20 (2,000) students are enrolled;

   (c) By municipal law enforcement officers in any 22 municipality having a population in excess of fifteen thousand 23 (15,000) according to the latest federal census on federally 24 designated highways lying within the corporate limits; and

   (d) By the sheriff and deputy sheriffs of any county 26 having a population of one hundred fifteen thousand (115,000) or 27 more, according to the latest federal decennial census, upon the 28 public streets, roads and highways of the county lying outside of 29 the limits of any incorporated municipality.
(2) The Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol shall not set up radar on highways within municipalities with a population in excess of fifteen thousand (15,000) according to the latest federal census.

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