

By: Representative Moss (By Request)

To: Transportation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1471

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-3-519, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO AUTHORIZE MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS OF MUNICIPALITIES  
3 HAVING TWO OR MORE FEDERALLY DESIGNATED FOUR-LANE HIGHWAYS WITH  
4 FOURTEEN MILES OR MORE OF SUCH HIGHWAYS LYING AND BEING WITHIN THE  
5 CORPORATE LIMITS TO USE RADAR SPEED DETECTION EQUIPMENT ON  
6 FEDERALLY DESIGNATED HIGHWAYS LYING WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF  
7 THE MUNICIPALITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

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

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

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

19 (b) By any college or university campus police force  
20 within the confines of any campus wherein more than two thousand  
21 (2,000) students are enrolled;

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

26 (d) By municipal law enforcement officers on federally  
27 designated highways lying within the corporate limits of any  
28 municipality that has two (2) or more federally designated  
29 four-lane highways with fourteen (14) miles or more of such

30 highways lying and being within the corporate limits of the  
31 municipality.

32 (2) The Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol shall not set up  
33 radar on public roads, streets or highways within municipalities  
34 with a population in excess of fifteen thousand (15,000) according  
35 to the latest federal census.

36 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
37 and after July 1, 2004.