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To: Highways and
Transportation

SENATE BILL NO. 2461

1 AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI HISTORIC BYWAY AS
2 AN OFFICIAL MISSISSIPPI SCENIC BYWAY PURSUANT TO SECTION 65-41-1
3 ET SEQ., MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 SECTION 1. The following highways, roads or streets located
6 in the State of Mississippi are hereby designated as an official
7 Mississippi Scenic Byway to be known as the "lower Mississippi
8 Historic Scenic Byway," pursuant to Section 65-41-1 et seq.:

9 Begin in Warren County at the Warren County line and travel
10 south to Vicksburg National Military Park on Clay Street; travel
11 west to Washington Street and downtown Vicksburg along the
12 Mississippi River; travel south on Washington Street onto
13 Warrington Road; travel Warrington Road to U.S. Highway 61;
14 continue on U.S. Highway 61 south to Claiborne County.

15 Upon entering Claiborne County continue traveling south on
16 U.S. Highway 61 and enter Port Gibson. Northwest of Port Gibson
17 is Grand Gulf Military Park off Grand Gulf Road. At this point
18 U.S. Highway 61 is commonly referred to as Grand Gulf Road.
19 Travel west on Grand Gulf Road to Grand Gulf Military Park.
20 Return to U.S. Highway 61 and travel south to Port Gibson. At the
21 corporate limits of Port Gibson, U.S. Highway 61 is locally known
22 as Church Street because of the abundant number of old churches
23 located on this stretch of highway. At the intersection of Church
24 Street and Orange Street travel west on Orange Street past the
25 Claiborne County Courthouse to Market street; travel south on
26 Market Street four(4) blocks, past Mississippi Cultural
27 Crossroads, 'Matt Ross' Administrative Building, Harriette Pearson

28 Memorial Library, Meyer Marx Building, Riverhills Bank and Drake &
29 Burrell Law Office until you reach Carroll Street. Head east and
30 return to U.S. Highway 61/Church Street. Return to intersection
31 of Church Street and Orange Street and travel south on U.S.
32 Highway 61 to the Jefferson County line. This corridor also
33 includes Rodney Road, which is Carroll Street (west of Market
34 Street). Travel West on Rodney Road past the Shaifer House and
35 grounds; Rodney Road turns into Highway 551; travel past the Ruins
36 of Windsor and Alcorn State University back to U.S. Highway 61.

37 Travel south on U.S. Highway 61 until you reach the Adams
38 County line and the corporate limits of the City of Natchez;
39 travel south on U.S. Highway 61 to the U.S. Highway 61/84
40 Interchange; travel west on U.S. Highway 84 to the Natchez
41 Intermodal Center at the Mississippi River Bridge. Return to U.S.
42 Highway 61/84 Interchange and travel south on U.S. Highway 61
43 through the City of Natchez to the Wilkinson County line; continue
44 traveling south on U.S. Highway 61 to the Louisiana state line,
45 eight (8) miles south of Woodville.

46 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
47 and after passage.