

By: Senator(s) Blount, Frazier, Horhn,  
Norwood, Michel, Jackson (11th)

To: Highways and  
Transportation

SENATE BILL NO. 2788

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-3-519, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO REMOVE THE PROHIBITION ON THE MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY SAFETY PATROL  
3 SETTING UP RADAR ON HIGHWAYS IN MUNICIPALITIES WITH A POPULATION  
4 ABOVE 15,000; TO PROVIDE THAT THE MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY SAFETY  
5 PATROL SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED BY MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT  
6 OF ANY ROAD BLOCKAGES OR EMERGENCIES OCCURRING ON ANY FEDERALLY  
7 DESIGNATED LIMITED-ACCESS HIGHWAYS LYING WITHIN THE CORPORATE  
8 LIMITS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

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

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

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



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

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

27           The Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol \* \* \* shall be  
28 immediately notified by municipal law enforcement of any road  
29 blockages or emergencies occurring on any federally designated  
30 limited-access highways lying within the corporate limits.

31           **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
32 and after July 1, 2021.

