

By: Representatives Holloway, Turner

To: Transportation

HOUSE BILL NO. 179

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-3-1009, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO REQUIRE THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO REVIEW
3 ALL PASSIVE GRADE RAILROAD CROSSINGS IN THE STATE EVERY THREE
4 YEARS TO DETERMINE IF ANY CROSSINGS ARE PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS; TO
5 REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT TO ERECT STOP SIGNS AT CROSSINGS IT
6 DETERMINES TO BE PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS DURING THE REVIEW; AND FOR
7 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

9 **SECTION 1.** Section 63-3-1009, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
10 amended as follows:

11 63-3-1009. The Mississippi Transportation Commission is
12 hereby authorized to designate particularly dangerous highway
13 grade crossings of railroads and to erect stop signs thereat.
14 When such stop signs are erected the driver of any vehicle shall
15 stop within fifty (50) feet but not less than fifteen (15) feet
16 from the nearest track of such grade crossing and shall proceed
17 only upon exercise of due care. The Mississippi Department of
18 Transportation shall review every passive grade crossing located
19 within this state to determine whether the crossing should be
20 designated a particularly dangerous highway grade crossing by



21 January 1, 2023, and again every three (3) years thereafter. The
22 department shall erect stop signs at any crossing it determines to
23 be particularly dangerous during the review.

24 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
25 and after July 1, 2022.

