

By: Representative Harness

To: Transportation;
Judiciary B

HOUSE BILL NO. 567

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-3-519, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO DELETE THE POPULATION THRESHOLD FOR MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT
3 OFFICERS TO USE RADAR SPEED DETECTION EQUIPMENT UPON THE PUBLIC
4 STREETS OF THE MUNICIPALITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

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

8 63-3-519. It shall be unlawful for any person or peace
9 officer or law enforcement agency, except the Mississippi Highway
10 Safety Patrol, to purchase or use or allow to be used any type of
11 radar speed detection equipment upon any public street, road or
12 highway of this state. However, such equipment may be used:

13 (a) By municipal law enforcement officers * * * upon
14 the public streets of the municipality;

15 (b) By any college or university campus police force
16 within the confines of any campus wherein more than two thousand
17 (2,000) students are enrolled;

18 (c) By municipal law enforcement officers in any
19 municipality having a population in excess of fifteen thousand



20 (15,000) according to the latest federal census on federally
21 designated highways lying within the corporate limits.

22 The Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol shall be immediately
23 notified by municipal law enforcement of any road blockages or
24 emergencies occurring on any federally designated limited-access
25 highways lying within the corporate limits.

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

