

By: Representative Busby

To: Transportation

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 1073

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 65-21-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REVISE THE PROVISIONS OF LAW TO PRESCRIBE THE DESIGN OF BRIDGES
3 AND CULVERTS ON PUBLIC ROADS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 65-21-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
6 amended as follows:

7 65-21-1. All bridges and culverts hereafter built, rebuilt,
8 or placed in the traveled way of any public road in this state
9 shall * * * conform to the design standards in effect at the time
10 of design and shall extend across the full width of the crown of
11 the roadway * * *. On roads having a * * * design width greater
12 than sixteen feet (16') * * *, bridges shall be not less than
13 sixteen feet (16') wide * * *. All bridges hereafter built or
14 rebuilt shall be built with * * * railings or barriers and
15 appropriate hazard marking signs on either side. This section
16 shall not apply to * * * public highways in this state within the
17 area of, or contingent to, any national forest or reforestation
18 project, which have been or may be taken over, constructed, or



19 reconstructed by * * * a department of the national government,
20 may have bridges or culverts the width of said highways, * * *
21 bridges and culverts be less than twelve feet (12') wide.

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

