

By: Senator(s) Ross

To: Judiciary, Division B

SENATE BILL NO. 2227

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-3-519, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO AUTHORIZE THE SHERIFF IN COUNTIES HAVING A CERTAIN POPULATION
3 TO USE RADAR SPEED DETECTION EQUIPMENT UPON THE STREETS, ROADS AND
4 HIGHWAYS THAT ARE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS AND LOCATED OUTSIDE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF A
6 MUNICIPALITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

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

10 63-3-519. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person or peace
11 officer or law enforcement agency, except the Mississippi Highway
12 Safety Patrol, to purchase or use or allow to be used any type of
13 radar speed detection equipment upon any public street, road or
14 highway of this state. However, such equipment may be used:

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

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

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

25 (d) By the sheriff of any county having a population of
26 seventy-four thousand (74,000) or more, according to the latest
27 federal decennial census, upon any public road, street or highway
28 that is:

29 (i) Under the jurisdiction of the county board of
30 supervisors for maintenance and construction; and

31 (ii) Located outside the corporate limits of a
32 municipality.

33 All fines for speed violations that are imposed as a result of the
34 use of radar authorized in this paragraph (d) shall be deposited
35 into the State General Fund.

36 (2) The Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol will not set up
37 radar on highways within municipalities with a population in
38 excess of fifteen thousand (15,000) according to the latest
39 federal census.

40 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
41 and after July 1, 2004.