Adopted COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

Senate Bill No. 2531

BY: Committee

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 65-1-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 10 SECTION 1. amended as follows: 11 12 When the transportation commissioners enter upon the duties of their office, the Transportation Commission shall meet 13 and organize by the election of one (1) of its members to serve as 14 chairman of the commission for the four-year term for which the 15 commissioner shall have been elected. The commission, a majority 16 of which shall constitute a quorum, shall meet in regular session 17 on the second Tuesday of each month at the office of the 18 19 commission in Jackson, Mississippi; however, the commission may 20 meet in regular session not more than three (3) times each year at such other location as may be set by the commission. At such 21 regular sessions the commission may hear, continue and determine 22 23 any and all matters coming before it. The commission may hold special sessions at the call of the executive director or the 24 25 chairman at such times and places in this state as either of them 26 may deem necessary. At such special sessions it may hear, continue, consider and determine any and all matters coming before 27 28 it, provided that at least five (5) days' notice of such sessions

- 29 shall be given to all the members of the commission beforehand. A
- 30 special session may be called at any time without the foregoing
- 31 notice, or any notice, if by and with the unanimous consent of all
- 32 the members of the commission, but such unanimous consent shall be
- 33 spread at large on the minutes of the commission. If any session
- 34 is held at a location other than at the commission's office in
- 35 Jackson, Mississippi, the commission shall make provisions to
- 36 allow public participation in the meeting by appearing at the
- 37 Jackson office.
- The * * * commission shall act as a legal entity, and shall
- 39 only speak through its minutes, and in all matters shall act as a
- 40 unit. Any action on the part of any member of the commission
- 41 separately shall not bind the commission as a unit, but such
- 42 individual member only shall be liable personally on his official
- 43 bond.
- The * * * commission shall be a body corporate and as such
- 45 may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court of
- 46 justice having jurisdiction of the subject matter of any such
- 47 suit. In any suit against the * * * commission service of process
- 48 shall be had by serving the secretary of the commission with such
- 49 process; and a copy of the declaration, petition or bill of
- 50 complaint, or other initial pleading shall be handed the secretary
- 51 along with the process.
- 52 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 53 and after its passage.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

¹ AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 65-1-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 2 AUTHORIZE THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION NOT MORE THAN THREE TIMES

³ EACH YEAR TO MEET IN REGULAR SESSION AT LOCATIONS OTHER THAN ITS

⁴ JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, OFFICE; TO PROVIDE THAT IF ANY SESSION

⁵ MEETING IS HELD AT A LOCATION OTHER THAN AT THE COMMISSION'S

⁶ OFFICE IN JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, THE COMMISSION MUST MAKE

⁷ PROVISIONS TO ALLOW PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE MEETING BY

⁸ APPEARING AT THE JACKSON OFFICE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.