

**Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.**

1 State of Arkansas  
2 83rd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2001

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2258

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5 By: Representative White  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 27-70-207 TO SET A GOAL  
10 FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION  
11 DEPARTMENT TO SPEND STATE HIGHWAY REVENUES TO IMPROVE  
12 HIGHWAY-RAILROAD CROSSING SAFETY IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR  
13 OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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15 TO SET A GOAL FOR THE ARKANSAS HIGHWAY  
16 DEPARTMENT TO SPEND HIGHWAY REVENUES TO  
17 IMPROVE HIGHWAY-RAILROAD CROSSING SAFETY  
18 IN ARKANSAS.  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 27-70-207(c), concerning the purposes for  
25 which highway revenues can be used, is amended to read as follows:

26 (c)(1) All highway revenues transferred to the State Highway and  
27 Transportation Department Fund under the provisions of this subchapter shall  
28 be used for the construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of highways and  
29 bridges in the state highway system.

30 (2)(A) However, the department may use highway revenues  
31 transferred to the State Highway and Transportation Department Fund for the  
32 installation, upgrading, or improvement of any highway-railroad crossing  
33 safety device, railroad crossing traffic control device, warning lights,  
34 crossing gates, or other railroad crossing safety devices at public highway  
35 railroad crossings and for the construction, reconstruction, and maintenance  
36 of any highway-railroad crossing, including the construction or installation

1 of any underpasses or overpasses.

2 (B) Except for the construction or installation of  
3 underpasses or overpasses, the department's goal is to expend one dollar  
4 (\$1.00) of state funds for each dollar of federal funds received to improve  
5 railroad crossing safety and to reduce railroad crossing accidents.

6 (C) It is the intent of this subdivision (c)(2) to  
7 encourage the State Highway Commission to continue to upgrade the state's  
8 highway-railway crossings with traffic control devices, warning lights,  
9 crossing gates, and other appropriate devices in order to increase the safety  
10 of persons using the state's highways.

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