To: Penitentiary

By: Representative Ford

HOUSE BILL NO. 558

| 1 2 3 4 | AN ACT TO REENACT AND AMEND SECTION 47-7-49, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND FROM JUNE 30, 1999, TO JUNE 30, 2000, THE DATE ON WHICH THE COMMUNITY SERVICE REVOLVING FUND WILL BE REPEALED; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. |
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| 5 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: |
| 6 | SECTION 1. Section 47-7-49, Mississippi Code of 1972, is |
| 7 | reenacted and amended as follows: |
| 8 | 47-7-49. (1) Any offender on probation, parole, |
| 9 | earned-release supervision, post-release supervision, earned |
| 10 | probation or any other offender under the field supervision of the |
| 11 | Community Services Division of the department shall pay to the |
| 12 | department the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) per month by |
| 13 | certified check or money order unless a hardship waiver is granted |
| 14 | by the sentencing court. The commissioner or his designee shall |
| 15 | deposit Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) of the payments received into a |
| 16 | special fund in the State Treasury, which is hereby created, to be |
| 17 | known as the Community Service Revolving Fund. Expenditures from |
| 18 | this fund shall be made for: (a) the establishment of restitution |
| 19 | and satellite centers; and (b) the establishment, administration |
| 20 | and operation of the department's Drug Identification Program and |
| 21 | the intensive supervision program. Ten Dollars (\$10.00) of the |
| 22 | Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) may be used for salaries and to purchase |
| 23 | equipment, supplies and vehicles to be used by the Community |
| 24 | Services Division in the performance of its duties. Expenditures |
| 25 | for the purposes established in this section may be made from the |
| 26 | fund upon requisition by the commissioner or his designee. |
| 27 | Of the remaining amount, Three Dollars (\$3.00) of the |

- 28 payments shall be deposited in the Crime Victims' Compensation
- 29 Fund created in Section 99-41-29, Two Dollars (\$2.00) shall be
- 30 deposited into the Training Revolving Fund created pursuant to
- 31 Section 47-7-51. When a person is convicted of a felony in this
- 32 state, in addition to any other sentence it may impose, the court
- 33 may, in its discretion, order the offender to pay a state
- 34 assessment not to exceed the greater of One Thousand Dollars
- 35 (\$1,000.00) or the maximum fine that may be imposed for the
- 36 offense, into the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund created
- 37 pursuant to Section 99-41-29.
- 38 Any federal funds made available to the department for
- 39 training or for training facilities, equipment or services shall
- 40 be deposited in the Correctional Training Revolving Fund created
- 41 in Section 47-7-51. The funds deposited in this account shall be
- 42 used to support an expansion of the department's training program
- 43 to include the renovation of facilities for training purposes,
- 44 purchase of equipment and contracting of training services with
- 45 community colleges in the state.
- No offender shall be required to make this payment for a
- 47 period of time longer than ten (10) years.
- 48 (2) The offender may be imprisoned until the payments are
- 49 made if the offender is financially able to make the payments and
- 50 the court in the county where the offender resides so finds,
- 51 subject to the limitations hereinafter set out. The offender
- 52 shall not be imprisoned if the offender is financially unable to
- 53 make the payments and so states to the court in writing, under
- 54 oath, and the court so finds.
- 55 (3) This section shall stand repealed from and after
- 56 June 30, <u>2000</u>.
- 57 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 58 and after July 1, 1999.