

By: Representative Bowles

To: Local and Private  
Legislation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1555  
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 973, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1993,  
2 AS LAST AMENDED BY CHAPTER 964, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1997, TO  
3 INCREASE THE AMOUNT THAT THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF  
4 OKOLONA MAY IMPOSE AS ADDITIONAL COURT COSTS IN MISDEMEANOR CASES  
5 FILED IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT TO FUND NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI CRIME  
6 STOPPERS, INC.; TO EXTEND THE REPEALER ON THE LAW AUTHORIZING THE  
7 IMPOSITION OF SUCH ADDITIONAL COURT COSTS; AND FOR RELATED  
8 PURPOSES.

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

10 SECTION 1. Chapter 973, Local and Private Laws of 1993, as  
11 amended by Chapter 932, Local and Private Laws of 1994, as amended  
12 by Chapter 964, Local and Private Laws of 1997, is amended as  
13 follows:

14 Section 1. (1) The governing authorities of the City of  
15 Okolona are hereby authorized and empowered, in their discretion,  
16 by resolution duly adopted and entered on the minutes of the  
17 governing authorities, to levy additional court costs in an amount  
18 not to exceed One Dollar (\$1.00) per case for each misdemeanor  
19 filed in the municipal court of such municipality.

20 (2) The avails of any additional court costs imposed  
21 pursuant to subsection (1) of this section shall be paid monthly  
22 by the municipality to Northeast Mississippi Crime Stoppers, Inc.,  
23 for use in procuring information which will lead to the capture  
24 and conviction of persons committing crimes and in support of good  
25 law enforcement.

26 (3) This act shall stand repealed from and after July 1,  
27 2003.

28 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
29 and after its passage.