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To: Local and Private Legislation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1594

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF COPIAH COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO LEVY AN ASSESSMENT, IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER ASSESSMENTS AND COURT COSTS, FOR EACH MISDEMEANOR CASE 3 PROCESSED THROUGH THE JUSTICE COURT OF THE COUNTY; TO PROVIDE THAT 5 THE AVAILS OF SUCH ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT SHALL BE USED TO FUND THE COPIAH REWARDS PROGRAM WITHIN THE COUNTY; TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF HAZLEHURST, MISSISSIPPI, 6 7 LEVY AN ASSESSMENT, IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER ASSESSMENTS AND COURT 8 9 COSTS, FOR EACH MISDEMEANOR CASE PROCESSED THROUGH THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE AVAILS OF SUCH ADDITIONAL 10 11 ASSESSMENT SHALL BE USED TO FUND THE COPIAH REWARDS PROGRAM WITHIN THE CITY; TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF 12 13 CRYSTAL SPRINGS, MISSISSIPPI, TO LEVY AN ASSESSMENT, IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER ASSESSMENTS AND COURT COSTS, FOR EACH MISDEMEANOR 14 CASE PROCESSED THROUGH THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE AVAILS OF SUCH ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT SHALL BE USED TO 15 16 FUND THE COPIAH REWARDS PROGRAM WITHIN THE CITY; AND FOR RELATED 17 PURPOSES. 18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

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- 20 SECTION 1. (1) The Board of Supervisors of Copiah County,
- Mississippi, in its discretion, is authorized, by resolution duly 21
- adopted and entered on its minutes, to levy an assessment, in 22
- 23 addition to any other assessments and court costs, in an amount
- 24 not to exceed One Dollar (\$1.00) per case for each misdemeanor
- case processed through the justice court of such county. 25
- 26 (2) The avails of the additional assessment imposed pursuant
- 27 to subsection (1) of this section shall be paid by the county to
- Copiah Rewards, for use in procuring information to aid 28
- 29 authorities in the capture and conviction of persons committing
- 30 crimes in Copiah County, Mississippi.
- 31 SECTION 2. (1) The governing authorities of the City of
- 32 Hazlehurst, in their discretion, are authorized, by resolution
- 33 duly adopted and entered on their minutes, to levy an assessment,
- 34 in addition to any other assessments and court costs, in an amount

- 35 not to exceed One Dollar (\$1.00) per case for each misdemeanor
- 36 case processed through the municipal court of such city.
- 37 (2) The avails of the additional assessment imposed pursuant
- 38 to subsection (1) of this section shall be paid by the city to
- 39 Copiah Rewards, for use in procuring information to aid
- 40 authorities in the capture and conviction of persons committing
- 41 crimes in Copiah County, Mississippi.
- 42 SECTION 3. (1) The governing authorities of the City of
- 43 Crystal Springs, in their discretion, are authorized, by
- 44 resolution duly adopted and entered on their minutes, to levy an
- 45 assessment, in addition to any other assessments and court costs,
- 46 in an amount not to exceed One Dollar (\$1.00) per case for each
- 47 misdemeanor case processed through the municipal court of such
- 48 city.
- 49 (2) The avails of the additional assessment imposed pursuant
- 50 to subsection (1) of this section shall be paid by the city to
- 51 Copiah Rewards, for use in procuring information to aid
- 52 authorities in the capture and conviction of persons committing
- 53 crimes in Copiah County, Mississippi.
- SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 55 and after its passage.