

By: Senator(s) Johnson (19th)

To: Judiciary

SENATE BILL NO. 2321

1 AN ACT TO GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF KOSCIUSKO,
2 MISSISSIPPI, TO IMPOSE ADDITIONAL COURT COSTS IN CERTAIN CASES FOR
3 THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING A DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM
4 OR SIMILAR PROGRAM IN THE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS OR FOR FUNDING
5 OTHER DRUG-RELATED ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 SECTION 1. (1) The governing authorities of the City of
8 Kosciusko, Mississippi, in their discretion, by resolution duly
9 adopted and entered on its minutes, may require the imposition of
10 the following additional court costs in its municipal court:

11 (a) Upon each person convicted under the Controlled
12 Substances Law, the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00).

13 (b) Upon each person convicted under the Mississippi
14 Implied Consent Law, the amount of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).

15 (c) Upon all moving traffic violations, except for
16 violations of the seat belt law (Section 63-2-1), the amount of
17 Three Dollars (\$3.00).

18 (d) Upon all alcohol offenses, except for violations of
19 the Mississippi Implied Consent Law, the amount of Twenty-five
20 Dollars (\$25.00).

21 (e) Upon all other misdemeanors, except for violations
22 of the Mississippi Juvenile Tobacco Access Prevention Act of 1997,
23 the amount of Five Dollars (\$5.00).

24 (2) The resolution adopted by the governing authorities
25 shall include a statement of the board's intent to impose the
26 additional court costs, the purpose therefor and the date on which
27 the municipal court will begin to impose the additional court
28 costs.



29 (3) The avails of any additional court costs imposed under
30 subsection (1) of this section shall be used exclusively to fund
31 the implementation of a Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program or
32 similar program designed to deter the abuse of drugs in the
33 Kosciusko Municipal Separate School District or for other drug-
34 related enforcement purposes as specified in the resolution
35 required to be adopted in subsection (2) of this section.

36 (4) Upon the adoption of the resolution stating their intent
37 to impose the additional court costs, the governing authorities
38 shall provide for the creation of a special city fund in which all
39 court costs collected under subsection (1) of this section shall
40 be deposited. Monies in the special fund shall be used for the
41 sole purpose of defraying the cost of the Drug Abuse Resistance
42 Education Program or similar program or other drug-related law
43 enforcement efforts.

44 (5) The clerk of the municipal court shall deposit and
45 account for the additional court costs collected under subsection
46 (1) of this section in the same manner as fines collected in those
47 courts.

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

