MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Senators Harvey

To: Local and Private

ST: Simpson County; authorize an assessment on misdemeanor cases to fund Pine Belt Crime Stoppers.

SENATE BILL NO. 3204
(As Sent to Governor)

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SIMPSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO LEVY AN ASSESSMENT, IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER ASSESSMENTS AND COURT COSTS, FOR EACH MISDEMEANOR CASE PROCESSED THROUGH THE JUSTICE COURT OF SIMPSON COUNTY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE AVAILS OF SUCH ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT SHALL BE USED TO FUND THE PINE BELT CRIME STOPPERS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Board of Supervisors of Simpson County, Mississippi, in its discretion, is authorized, by resolution duly adopted and entered on its minutes, to levy an assessment, in addition to any other assessments and court costs, in the amount of One Dollar ($1.00) per case for each misdemeanor case processed through the justice court of such county.

(2) The avails of the additional assessment imposed under subsection (1) of this section shall be distributed by the county to Pine Belt Crime Stoppers for use in procuring information to aid authorities in the capture and conviction of persons committing crimes in the five-county area covered by Pine Belt Crime Stoppers.

(3) The provisions of this section shall be repealed from and after July 1, 2002.

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