MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Senator(s) Little

To: Local and Private

SENATE BILL NO. 3187 (As Passed the Senate)

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ALCORN 1 COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO IMPOSE ADDITIONAL COURT COSTS IN CERTAIN 2 3 CASES FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING A DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM OR SIMILAR PROGRAM IN THE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT; AND FOR 4 5 RELATED PURPOSES BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 6 7 **SECTION 1.** (1) The Board of Supervisors of Alcorn County, Mississippi, in its discretion, by resolution duly adopted and 8 9 entered on its minutes, may require the imposition of the following additional court costs in the justice, county and 10 circuit courts situated within the county: 11 (a) Upon each person convicted under the Controlled 12 Substances Law or under the Mississippi Implied Consent Law, the 13 14 amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). (b) Upon all misdemeanors other than traffic 15 16 violations, the amount of Five Dollars (\$5.00). The resolution adopted by the board of supervisors shall 17 (2)include a statement of the board's intent to impose the additional 18 19 court costs, the purpose therefor and the date on which the courts will begin to impose the additional court costs. 20 21 (3) The avails of any additional court costs imposed under 22 subsection (1) of this section shall be used exclusively to fund 23 the implementation of a Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program or similar program designed to deter the abuse of drugs in the county 24 school district. If the Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program 25 or similar program described in this subsection shall cease to 26 27 function, the board of supervisors shall stop the imposition of

28 the additional court costs authorized to be imposed by this 29 section.

30 (4) Upon the adoption of the resolution stating its intent 31 to impose the additional court costs, the board of supervisors 32 shall provide for the creation of a special county fund in which 33 all court costs collected under subsection (1) of this section 34 shall be deposited. Monies in the special fund shall be used for 35 the sole purpose of defraying the cost of the Drug Abuse 36 Resistance Education Program or similar program.

37 (5) The clerks of the respective courts shall deposit and 38 account for the additional court costs collected under subsection 39 (1) of this section in the same manner as fines collected in those 40 courts.

41 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 42 and after its passage.