

By: Senator(s) Hyde-Smith

To: Judiciary, Division A

SENATE BILL NO. 2995

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9-23-51, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 REVISE THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FROM THE DRUG COURT FUND; AND FOR  
3 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 9-23-51, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:

7 9-23-51. There is created in the State Treasury a special  
8 interest-bearing fund to be known as the Drug Court Fund. The  
9 purpose of the fund shall be to provide supplemental funding to  
10 all drug courts in the state. Monies from the funds derived from  
11 assessments under Section 99-19-73 shall be distributed by the  
12 State Treasurer upon warrants issued by the Administrative Office  
13 of Courts, pursuant to procedures set by the State Drug Courts  
14 Advisory Committee to assist both juvenile drug courts and adult  
15 drug courts \* \* \*. Funds from other sources shall be distributed  
16 to the drug courts in the state based on a formula set by the  
17 State Drug Courts Advisory Committee. The fund shall be a  
18 continuing fund, not subject to fiscal-year limitations, and shall  
19 consist of: (a) monies appropriated by the Legislature for the  
20 purposes of funding drug courts; (b) the interest accruing to the  
21 fund; (c) monies received under the provisions of Section  
22 99-19-73; (d) monies received from the federal government; and (e)  
23 monies received from such other sources as may be provided by law.

24 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
25 and after July 1, 2005.