By: Representative Malone

To: Local and Private Legislation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1619

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LEAKE COUNTY, 1 MISSISSIPPI, TO IMPOSE ADDITIONAL COURT COSTS IN CERTAIN CASES FOR 2 3 THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING A DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION 4 (D.A.R.E.) PROGRAM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: SECTION 1. (1) The Board of Supervisors of Leake County, 6 7 Mississippi, by resolution duly adopted and entered on its minutes, may require the imposition of the following additional 8 9 court costs, in the county's justice court: 10 Upon each person convicted under the Controlled (a) Substances Law, the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00); 11 12 (b) Upon each person convicted under the Mississippi Implied Consent Law, the amount of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00); 13 (c) Upon all moving traffic violations, except for 14 violations of the seat belt law (Section 63-2-1), the amount of 15 16 Ten Dollars (\$10.00); 17 (d) Upon all alcohol offenses, except for violations of the Mississippi Implied Consent Law, the amount of Twenty-five 18 19 Dollars (\$25.00); and (e) Upon all other misdemeanors, except for violations 20 21 of the Mississippi Juvenile Tobacco Access Prevention Act of 1997, the amount of Five Dollars (\$5.00). 22 (2) The resolution adopted by the board of supervisors shall 23 include a statement of the board's intent to impose the additional 24 court costs, the purpose thereof and the date on which the justice 25 26 court will begin to impose the additional court costs. (3) The avails of the additional assessments imposed 27 pursuant to subsection (1) of this section shall be used 28 *HR03/R1504* H. B. No. 1619 L1/2 06/HR03/R1504 PAGE 1 ($OM\LH$)

29 exclusively to fund the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.)
30 Program as specified in the resolution required to be adopted in
31 subsection (2) of this section.

32 (4) Upon the adoption of the resolution stating the intent 33 to impose the additional court costs, the board of supervisors 34 shall provide for the creation of a special fund in which all 35 court costs collected under subsection (1) of this section shall 36 be deposited. Monies in the special fund shall be used for the 37 sole purpose of funding the D.A.R.E. program.

38 (5) The clerk of the justice court shall deposit and account 39 for the additional court costs collected under subsection (1) of 40 this section in the same manner as fines collected in the justice 41 courts.

42 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 43 and after its passage.