

By: Representative Holloway (27th)

To: Appropriations A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1709

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES
2 OF THE CITY OF CARTHAGE TO ASSIST IN PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH
3 CERTAIN PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS FOR THE CARTHAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT
4 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much of it as may be
7 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State General
8 Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the governing authorities of
9 the City of Carthage, Mississippi, to assist in paying costs
10 associated with certain programs and projects for the Carthage
11 Police Department as described in Section 2 of this act for the
12 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.....
13\$ 430,000.00

14 **SECTION 2.** The money appropriated by Section 1 of this act
15 shall be used by the governing authorities of Carthage for the
16 following programs and projects for the Carthage Police
17 Department:

18 (a) Crime prevention programs.....\$ 325,000.00



19 (i) Acquiring, installing and operating license
20 plate readers and live cameras in and around the city, focusing on
21 high crime areas, high traffic areas, public parks and schools;
22 and

23 (ii) Acquiring and using the Evidence IQ device,
24 which can test spent cartridges from crime scenes against other
25 spent cartridges to determine patterns and/or weapons used.

26 (b) Police vehicles - purchasing two (2) Dodge Durango
27 SUVs equipped with light bars, cages and radios.....\$ 105,000.00
28 TOTAL.....\$ 430,000.00

29 **SECTION 3.** The money appropriated by this act shall be paid
30 by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State General Fund
31 not otherwise appropriated, upon warrants issued by the State
32 Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his or
33 her warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person,
34 officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

35 **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
36 and after July 1, 2025.

