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2022 MAS Legislation

- ARPA Water & Sewer Infrastructure Program
- Supervisor pay raises
- Homestead exemption



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Other 2022 Legislative Highlights

- **\$230M Infrastructure Investment:** \$100 million for the Emergency Road and Bridge Repair (ERBR) program; \$40 million to match federal funds; \$45 million to accelerate MDOT's maintenance schedule; \$35 million to accelerate MDOT's capacity schedule (additional lanes), and \$10 million for ports.
- **Historic Teacher Pay Raise:** \$246 million investment, which resulted in an average raise of \$5,410 per teacher. Starting salaries will be higher than the southeastern average and wages will remain competitive throughout a teacher's career. Adds step increases from 1-3 years and larger "retention" bumps at the pivotal 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25 year marks.
- **\$525M Income Tax Cut:** moved the state to a flat 4% income tax by 2026, resulting in a savings of \$800/year for couples making more than \$80,000. This moves Mississippi to the fifth lowest rate in the country among states which have an income tax.
- **MFLEX:** established a performance-based, not promised-based, economic development incentive created by local economic developers to help grow small businesses and establish new businesses in our communities.
- **Election Security:** prohibited the solicitation of outside money for official election duties; allowed counties to verify citizenship of voters; and provided funds to every county for new paper ballot voting machines or other equipment.



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- **Outdoor Stewardship:** provided an appropriation which may be used to draw down federal funds for public projects and select projects on private lands related to conservation and outdoor stewardship (\$10 million appropriation this year).
- **Nurse Training/Workforce Development:** \$32 million for training programs for healthcare professionals, first responders and other “emerging sectors” including manufacturers, logistics, and supply chain; \$8 million for pilot career coaching programs in K-12 schools.
- **Small Museums/Main Street Program:** \$5 million for a grant program for museums in cities with less than 50,000 people; \$5 million for Main Street revitalization programs.
- **Rural Hospitals:** created a revolving loan program for rural hospitals with less than 50 general acute, non-specialty beds to upgrade facilities, maintain current staff, or provide healthcare services not currently available to citizens.
- **Eminent Domain:** codified Article 3, Section 17A of the Mississippi Constitution, which prohibits the state or local governments from taking private property through eminent domain and conveying it to private entities for a period of 10 years.



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Looking Ahead

- American Rescue Plan Act appropriations & reappropriations
- Infrastructure
- Early education
- Healthcare
- Efficiency in government



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