

# DEAR CONCERNED TAXPAYER,

Americans for Prosperity has developed into the preeminent grassroots policy organization in the country, with nearly 2.8 million activists nationwide engaging their Congress, legislatures, and local government in the fight to advance economic freedom.

A year ago, it was my privilege to launch the Mississippi chapter of AFP. In that time, our staff has worked hard to identify and promote ideas that will improve the lives of Mississippians. Already we are shaping debate.

To date, AFP staff and activists in Mississippi have made over 300,000 live voter contacts on a host of important issues. We have offered concerned citizens educational opportunities through direct advocacy training and sponsorship of multiple policy events with top-notch speakers and policymakers.

Our "Mississippi Growth Project" (MSGrowthProject.com) is a policy roadmap on tax, spending, regulatory and education reform. We've recently launched "The Torchbearer" newsletter as a credible source of information and timely commentary.

The Economic Freedom Scorecard is yet another layer in our effort to inform the public about the inner-workings of our government and to hold our leaders accountable.

We invite you to join us as we push big ideas for a better Mississippi.

Sincerely,

Russ Latino | Mississippi State Director

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#### AMERICANS FOR PROSPERITY'S

# **MISSION**

Americans for Prosperity - Mississippi exists to recruit, educate, and mobilize citizens in support of the policies and goals of a free society at the local, state, and federal level, helping every Mississippian live their dream. Ours is the 35th and latest chapter of AFP. Over 19,000 citizens have taken action with the chapter to date in its fight for less government, lower taxes and more opportunity for all Mississippians.

# ABOUT AMERICANS FOR PROSPERITY'S ECONOMIC FREEDOM SCORECARD

AFP Mississippi's Economic Freedom Scorecard is our good faith effort to inform citizens about the performance of their elected representatives and senators on important tax, spending, regulatory and education legislation.

Selected bills were scored consistent with the principles spelled out at AFP's MSGrowthProject.com. These principles include:

(1) fairer taxes that allow taxpayers to keep more of what they earn; (2) spending limited to core functions of government; (3) fewer job killing and protectionist regulations; and (4) more choice and innovation in education.

In compiling its first Economic Freedom Scorecard, AFP Mississippi considered thousands of pieces of legislation. We ultimately scored 32 votes on bills or amendments in the Mississippi House of Representatives and 27 votes on bills in the Mississippi Senate. Multiplied over the 122 members of the Mississippi House and 52 members of the Mississippi Senate, the Economic Freedom Scorecard includes approximately 5,300 individual votes.

We believe the end result is a comprehensive, objective look at where our leaders stand on advancing economic freedom. Simply put, their votes are their record.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

Based on AFP's priorities in the 2016 legislative session, 40% of the Economic Freedom Scorecard is comprised of weighted issues including: (1) tax relief (15%), which AFP supported; (2) efforts to increase taxes and fees for transportation (15%), which AFP opposed; and (3) the expansion of Mississippi's public charter school law (10%), which AFP supported.

The remaining 60% of the Economic Freedom Scorecard includes 26 un-weighted House votes and 23 un-weighted Senate votes. The last recorded vote on each of these pieces of legislation was used on this portion of the scorecard. For each correct vote, legislators received 1 point. For every incorrect vote, legislators received 0 points. For every absent or abstaining vote, legislators received 0.5 points.

Lastly, legislators were eligible for 1 bonus point for opposition to HB 1729, a bond bill which contained a number of expenditure items AFP Mississippi deemed inconsistent with the principle of limiting spending to the core functions of government.

In comprising the Economic Freedom Scorecard, AFP Mississippi relied on vote information made available to the public through the Mississippi Legislative Website and information obtained directly from the Clerk of the Mississippi House of Representatives.

#### **GRADING SCALE**

A - 90%-100%

B - 80%-89%

C - 70%-79%

D - 60%-69%

F - 59% or Below

### **SCORECARD**: HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPRESENTATIVE	2016	FINAL PERCENTAGE
Baker, M.	A	91%
Barton, M.	A	91%
Bennet, R.	A	91%
Bomgar, J.	A	100%
Brown, C.	A	90.5%
Byrd, L.	A	91%
Carpenter, L.	A	91%
Crawford, C.	A	91%
Criswell, D.	A	100%
DeLano, S.	A	91%
Eubanks, D.	A	95.5%
Eure, C.	A	91%
Foster, R.	A	98%
Frierson, H.	A	92%
Guice, J.	A	91%
Gunn, P.	A	91%
Henley, A.	A	93.5%
Hood, J.	A	90%
Hopkins, S.	A	98%
Johnson, C.	A	91%
Kinkade, B.	A	91%
Monsour, A.	A	90%
Powell, B.	A	91%

REPRESENTATIVE	2016	FINAL PERCENTAGE
Read, J.	A	91%
Shows, B.	A	90%
Snowden, G.	A	90%
Weathersby, T.	A	91%
White, J.	A	91%
Willis, P.	A	90%
Wilson, C.	A	93.5%
Zuber, H.	A	93.5%
Arnold, W.	В	86.5%
Barnett, S.	В	87.5%
Bounds, C.	В	88.5%
Boyd, R.	В	86.5%
Chism, G.	В	87.5%
Currie, B.	В	88.5%
Denny, W.	В	84%
Formby, M.	В	88.5%
Gipson, A.	В	85%
Hale, J.	В	81%
Horne, S.	В	83.5%
Huddleston, M.	В	88.5%
Ladner, T.	В	86.5%
Mangold, V.	В	86.5%
McNeal, R.	В	87.5%

### **SCORECARD**: HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPRESENTATIVE	2016	FINAL PERCENTAGE
Mettetal, N.	В	88.5%
Mims, S.	В	88.5%
Moore, J.	В	87.5%
Morgan, K.	В	84.25%
Oliver, K.	В	86.5%
Patterson, R.	В	88.5%
Pigott, B.	В	87.5%
Rushing, R.	В	87.5%
Smith, J.	В	88.5%
Touchstone, B.	В	88.5%
Tullos, M.	В	81%
Turner, J.	В	86.5%
Barker, T.	C	77.5%
Beckett, J.	C	77%
Busby, C.	C	76%
Cockerham, A.	C	71.5%
Coleman, L.	C	73%
Dixon, D.	C	71.5%
Lamar, T.	C	77.75%
McLeod, D.	C	76%
Roberson, R.	C	76%
Rogers, M.	C	74%
Shirley, W.	С	79.5%

REPRESENTATIVE	2016	FINAL PERCENTAGE
Staples, G.	С	74%
Aguirre, S.	D	66%
Bell, D.	D	61.5%
Rogers, R.	D	68.75%
Sanford, N.	D	67%
Anderson, J.	F	37%
Bailey, W.	F	39.5%
Bain, N.	F	54.5%
Banks, E.	F	33.5%
Baria, D.	F	37%
Bell, C.	F	38.5%
Blackmon, E.	F	37%
Burnett, C.	F	54%
Calhoun, C.	F	50.5%
Campbell, K.	F	44%
Clark, B.	F	38.5%
Clarke, A.	F	42%
Denton, O.	F	37%
Dortch, J.	F	39.5%
Ellis, T.	F	42%
Evans, B.	F	40.5%
Evans, M.	F	39.5%
Faulkner, J.	F	44%

### **SCORECARD**: HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPRESENTATIVE	2016	FINAL PERCENTAGE
Gibbs, K.	F	44%
Haney, G.	F	54%
Hines, J.	F	36%
Holland, S.	F	40.5%
Holloway, G.	F	54%
Horan, K.	F	39.5%
Huddleston, R.	F	39.5%
Hughes, J.P.	F	42%
Jackson, L.	F	41%
Johnson, R.	F	40.5%
Karriem, K.	F	39.5%
Massengill, S.	F	49%
Mickens, C.	F	44%
Middleton, A.	F	50.5%
Miles, T.	F	49.5%
Myers, D.	F	36%
Paden, O.	F	38.5%
Perkins, W.	F	37%
Reynolds, T.	F	49%
Scott, O.	F	37%
Steverson, J.	F	54%
Straughter, R.	F	42%
Sullivan, P.	F	39.5%

REPRESENTATIVE	2016	FINAL PERCENTAGE
Sykes, K.	F	42%
Thomas, S.	F	59%
Walker, K.	F	42%
Watson, P.	F	30%
Williams-Barnes, S.	F	39.5%
Wooten, A.	F	42%
Young, C.	F	53%

### **SCORECARD** : SENATE

REPRESENTATIVE	2016	FINAL PERCENTAGE
Blackwell, K.	A	90%
Burton, T.	Α	90%
Caughman, C.	A	90%
Chassaniol, L.	A	90%
Clarke, E.	Α	90%
Doty, S.	Α	90%
Fillingane, J.	Α	90%
Gollott, T.	Α	90%
Harkins, J.	Α	90%
Hill, A.	Α	90%
McDaniel, C.	Α	95%
Parker, D.	Α	92.5%
Polk, J.	A	92.5%
Tollison, G.	A	90%
Watson, M.	A	92.5%
Wiggins, B.	A	90%
Younger, C.	A	90%
Barnett, J.	В	82%
Braning, J.	В	86%
Carmichael, V.	В	82%
DeBar, D.	В	83.5%
Hopson, W.	В	82%
Hudson, B.	В	84.5%
Jackson, G.	В	87%
Jackson, S.	В	84.5%
Kirby, D.	В	84.5%

REPRESENTATIVE	2016	FINAL PERCENTAGE
Massey, C.	В	87.5%
McMahan, C.	В	80%
Moran, P.	В	85%
Parks, R.	В	82%
Seymour, J.	В	80%
Tindell, S.	В	85%
Browning, N.	С	77%
Michel, J.	С	79.5%
Simmons, W.	С	71%
Wilemon, J.P.	С	77%
Dearing, B.	D	69.5%
Blackmon, B.	F	41.5%
Blount, D.	F	52%
Bryan, H.	F	59.5%
Butler, A.	F	57%
Dawkins, D.	F	52%
Frazier, H.	F	38.5%
Horhn, J.	F	49%
Jackson, R.	F	58%
Jolly, R.	F	59.5%
Jordan, D.	F	54%
Norwood, S.	F	38.5%
Simmons, D.	F	44%
Stone, B.	F	52%
Turner, A.	F	46.5%
Witherspoon, T.	F	49%

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REPRESENTATIVE	PARTY	SB 2858 PRO-WEIGHTED 15%	*GAS TAX INCREASE: CON-WEIGHTED 15%	CHARTER SCHOOL EXPANSION (SB 2161): PRO-WEIGHTED 10%	TOTAL OUT OF 40%	HB 1SS	HB 29	18 33	HB 37	HB 167	HB 393	HB 461	HB 504	HB 767	HB 819	HB 899	HB 1116	HB 1178	HB 1223	HB 1381	HB 1410	HB 1444	HB 1529	SB 2362	SB 2384	SB 2409	SB 2483	SB 2528	SB 2541	SB 2808	SB 2922	BONUS HB 1729	SCORE	GRADE
Baker, M.	R-74	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Barton, M.	R-109	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Bennet, R.	R-120	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Bomgar, J.	R - 58	15%	15%	10%	40%	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	100	A
Brown, C.	R - 20	15%	15%	5%	35%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0.5	90.50	A
Byrd, L.	R - 104	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Carpenter, L.	R-1	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Crawford, C.	R - 121	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Criswell, D.	R - 6	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	A
DeLano, S.	R - 117	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Eubanks, D.	R - 25	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	95.50	A
Eure, C.	R - 25	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	91	A
Foster, R.	R - 28	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	98	A
Frierson, H.	R - 106	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	0	0	92	A
Guice, J.	R - 114	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Gunn, P.	R - 56	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Henley, A.	R - 40	15%	15%	10%	40%	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0.5	0	93.5	A
Hood, J.	R - 35	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Hopkins, S.	R - 7	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	98	A
Johnson, C.	R - 87	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Kinkade, B.	R - 52	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	Α
Monsour, A.	R - 54	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A

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Powell, B.	R - 59	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Read, J.	R - 112	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Shows, B.	R - 89	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Snowden, G.	R - 83	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Weathersby, T.	R - 62	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
White, J.	R - 48	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	91	A
Willis, P.	R - 95	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Wilson, C.	R - 73	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	93.50	A
Zuber, H.	R - 113	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	93.50	A
Arnold, W.	R - 3	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	86.50	В
Barnett, S.	R - 86	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0.5	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	87.50	В
Bounds, C.	R - 44	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	88.50	В
Boyd, R.	R - 19	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	86.50	В
Chism, G.	R - 37	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	87.50	В
Currie, B.	R - 92	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	88.50	В
Denny, W.	R - 64	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	84	В
Formby, M.	R - 108	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	88.50	В
Gipson, A.	R - 77	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	0	0	1	0	0	85	В
Hale, J.	R - 24	15%	15%	0%	30%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	81	В
Horne, S.	R - 81	10%	15%	10%	35%	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	83.50	В
Huddleston, M.	R - 15	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	88.50	В
Ladner, T.	R - 93	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	86.50	В

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Mangold, V.	R - 53	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	86.50	В
McNeal, R.	R - 105	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	87.50	В
Mettetal, N.	R - 10	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	88.50	В
Mims, S.	R - 97	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	88.50	В
Moore, J.	R - 60	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0.5	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	87.50	В
Morgan, K.	R - 100	15%	11.75%	10%	36.75%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0.5	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	84.25	В
Oliver, K.	R - 46	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	86.50	В
Patterson, R.	R - 115	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	88.50	В
Pigott, B.	R - 99	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	87.50	В
Rushing, R.	R - 78	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	87.50	В
Smith, J.	R - 39	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	88.50	В
Touchstone, B.	R - 101	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	88.50	В
Tullos, M.	R - 79	5%	15%	10%	30%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	81	В
Turner, J.	R - 18	15%	15%	10%	40%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	0	0.5	1	0	0	86.50	В
Barker, T.	R - 102	5%	15%	10%	30%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	77.50	C
Beckett, J.	R - 23	15%	15%	5%	35%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	77	C
Busby, C.	R - 111	15%	0%	10%	25%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	76	С
Cockerham, A.	D - 96	15%	0.00%	10%	25%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	71.50	С
Coleman, L.*	D-29	Seat Vacated	15%	Seat Vacated	40%	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	1	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	1	N/A	1	N/A	1	N/A	0.5	N/A	N/A	73	C						
Dixon, D.	D - 63	15%	0%	10%	25%	0	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	0	1	0.5	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	71.50	С
Lamar, T.	R - 8	15%	11.75%	0%	26.75%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	77.75	С
McLeod, D.	R - 107	15%	0%	10%	25%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	76	С

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REPRESENTATIVE	PARTY	SB 2858 PRO-WEIGHTED 15%	*GAS TAX INCREASE: CON-WEIGHTED 15%	CHARTER SCHOOL EXPANSION (SB 2161): PRO-WEIGHTED 10%	TOTAL OUT OF 40%	HB 1 SS	HB 29	HB 33	HB 37	HB 167	HB 393	HB 461	HB 504	HB 767	HB 819	HB 899	HB 1116	HB 1178	HB 1223	HB 1381	HB 1410	HB 1444	HB 1529	SB 2362	SB 2384	SB 2409	SB 2483	SB 2528	SB 2541	SB 2808	SB 2922	BONUS HB 1729	SCORE	GRADE
Roberson, R.	R - 43	15%	0%	10%	25%	0	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	76	С
Rogers, M.	R - 14	15%	15%	0%	30%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	74	С
Shirley, W.	R - 84	0%	15%	10%	25%	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0.5	1	1	1	79.50	С
Staples, G.	R - 88	5%	15%	10%	30%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	74	С
Aguirre, S.	R - 17	15%	0%	0%	15%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	66	D
Bell, D.	R - 21	15%	0%	0%	15%	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	61.50	D
Rogers, R.	R - 61	15%	11.75%	0%	26.75%	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	68.75	D
Sanford, N.	R - 90	5%	15%	5%	25%	0	0.5	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0.5	1	0	0	67	D
Anderson, J.	D - 110	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	37	F
Bailey, W.	D - 49	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	39.50	F
Bain, N.	D - 2	13%	0%	0%	12.5%	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0.5	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	54.50	F
Banks, E.	D - 67	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0.5	1	0	0	1	0	0.5	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0.5	0.5	0	0.5	0.5	1	0	1	1	0.5	0	33.50	F
Baria, D.	D - 122	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	37	F
Bell, C.	D - 65	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0.5	1	0	1	1	0	0	38.50	F
Blackmon, E.	D - 57	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	37	F
Burnett, C.	D - 9	10%	0%	0%	10%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	54	F
Calhoun, C.	D - 68	10%	0%	0%	10%	0	0	1	0.5	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	50.50	F
Campbell, K.	D - 72	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	44	F
Clark, B.	D - 47	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0.5	1	0.5	1	1	0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0.5	38.50	F
Clarke, A.	D - 69	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	42	F
Denton, O.	D - 55	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	37	F
Dortch, J.	D - 66	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	39.50	F

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Ellis, T.	D - 38	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	42	F
Evans, B.	D - 91	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0.5	0.5	1	0	1	1	0	1	0.5	0.5	0	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0.5	0.5	40.50	F
Evans, M.	D - 45	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	39.50	F
Faulkner, J.	D - 5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	44	F
Gibbs, K.	D - 36	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	44	F
Haney, G.	R - 118	2.5%	7.5%	0%	10%	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	54	F
Hines, J.	D - 50	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0.5	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0.5	0.5	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	36	F
Holland, S.	D - 16	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0		0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	0	1	1	0	0	40.50	F
Holloway, G.	D - 76	10%	0%	0%	10%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	54	F
Horan, K.	D - 34	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0.5	0.5	0	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	0	0	39.50	F
Huddleston, R.	D - 30	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0.5	0	1	0	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	39.50	F
Hughes, J.P.	D- 12	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	42	F
Jackson, L.	D - 11	5%	0%	0%	5%	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0.5	0.5	1	0.5	1	0	1	1	0	0	41	F
Johnson, R.	D - 94	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0.5	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	38.50	F
Karriem, K.	D - 41	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	39.50	F
Massengill, S.	R - 13	5%	0%	0%	5%	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	49	F
Mickens, C.	D - 42	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	44	F
Middleton, A.	D - 85	10%	0%	0%	10%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	50.50	F
Miles, T.	D - 75	5%	7.5%	0%	12.5%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0.5	0	1	0	1	1	0.5	0	49.50	F
Myers, D.	D - 98	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0		1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0.5	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	36	F
Paden, O.	D - 26	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0.5	0.5	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	0.5	0	1	0	0.5	1	0	0	38.50	F
Perkins, W.	D - 32	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	37	F

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REPRESENTATIVE	PARTY	SB 2858 PRO-WEIGHTED 15%	*GAS TAX INCREASE: CON-WEIGHTED 15%	CHARTER SCHOOL EXPANSION (SB 2161): PRO-WEIGHTED 10%	TOTAL OUT OF 40%	HB 1 SS	HB 29	HB 33	HB 37	HB 167	HB 393	HB 461	HB 504	HB 767	HB 819	HB 899	HB 1116	HB 1178	HB 1223	HB 1381	HB 1410	HB 1444	HB 1529	SB 2362	SB 2384	SB 2409	SB 2483	SB 2528	SB 2541	SB 2808	SB 2922	BONUS HB 1729	SCORE	GRADE
Reynolds, T.	D - 33	5%	0%	0%	5%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	49	F
Scott, O.	D - 80	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0.5	0	37	F
Steverson, J.	R - 4	10%	0%	0%	10%	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	54	F
Straughter, R.	D - 51	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	42	F
Sullivan, P.	D - 22	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	39.50	F
Sykes, K.	D - 70	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	42	F
Thomas, S.	D - 31	15%	0%	0%	15%	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	59	F
Walker, K.	D - 27	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	42	F
Watson, P.	D - 103	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0.5	0.5	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	30	F
Williams- Barnes, S.	D - 119	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	0	1	1	0.5	0	39.50	F
Wooten, A.	D - 71	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	42	F
Young, C.	D - 82	10%	0%	0%	10%	0	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	53	F

### **LEGISLATIVE VOTES:** *SENATE*

			WEIGHTE	D VOTES													U	NWEI	GHTI	ED VO	TES													
REPRESENTATIVE	PARTY	SB 2858 PRO-WEIGHTED 15%	*GAS TAX INCREASE: CON-WEIGHTED 15%	CHARTER SCHOOL EXPANSION (SB 2161): PRO-WEIGHTED 10%	TOTAL OUT OF 40%	HB 1 SS	HB 29	HB 33	HB 37	HB 167	HB 393	HB 461	HB 504	HB 767	HB 819	HB 899	HB 1116	HB 1178	HB 1223	HB 1381	HB 1410	HB 1444	HB 1529	SB 2362	SB 2384	SB 2409	SB 2483	SB 2528	SB 2541	SB 2808	SB 2922	BONUS HB 1729	SCORE	GRADE
Blackwell, K.	R - 19	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Burton, T.	R - 31	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Caughman, C.	R - 35	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Chassaniol, L.	R - 14	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Clarke, E.	R - 22	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Doty, S.	R - 39	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Fillingane, J.	R - 41	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Gollott, T.	R - 50	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Harkins, J.	R - 20	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Hill, A.	R - 40	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		0	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	90	A
McDaniel, C.	R - 42	15%	15%	10%	40%	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	95	A
Parker, D.	R - 2	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	92.50	A
Polk, J.	R - 44	15%	15%	10%	40%	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	92.50	A
Tollison, G.	R - 9	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Watson, M.	R - 51	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	92.50	A
Wiggins, B.	R - 52	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Younger, C.	R - 17	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	90	A
Barnett, J.	D - 34	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	82	В
Braning, J.	R - 18	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		0	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	0.5	1	0	0	86	В
Carmichael, V.	R - 33	15%	15%	5%	35%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		0	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	82	В
DeBar, D.	R - 43	15%	15%	5%	35%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		0.5	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	83.50	В
Hopson, W.	R -23	15%	15%	5%	35%	0.5		0.5	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	0	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	82	В

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Hudson, B.	R - 45	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0.5		0	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0.5	0	0	84.50	В
Jackson, G.	R - 15	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		0	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	87	В
Jackson, S.	D - 32	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	84.50	В
Kirby, D.**	R - 30	15%	15%	10%	40%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		0.5	1	0.5		0.5	1	1	0.5	1	0	0.5	1	0.5	0	84.50	В
Massey, C.	R - 1	15%	15%	5%	35%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	87.50	В
McMahan, C.	R - 6	15%	15%	0%	30%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	80	В
Moran, P.	R - 46	15%	15%	5%	35%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	82	В
Parks, R.	R - 4	15%	15%	5%	35%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		0	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	82	В
Seymour, J.	R - 47	15%	15%	0%	30%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	80	В
Tindell, S.	R - 49	15%	15%	5%	35%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	85	В
Browning, N.	R - 3	15%	15%	0%	30%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		0	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	77	С
Michel, J***	R - 25	10%	15%	0%	28.5%	N/A		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	N/A	1	1	N/A	1	N/A	0	0	79.50	С
Simmons, W.	D - 13	15%	0%	10%	25%	0		0.5	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	71	С
Wilemon, J.P.	D - 5	15%	15%	0%	30%	0		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		0	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	77	С
Dearing, B.	D - 37	15%	15%	0%	30%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0		1	1	1		1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	69.50	D
Blackmon, B.	D - 21	0%	15%	0%	15%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0		1	1	1		0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	41.50	F
Blount, D.	D - 29	0%	15%	0%	15%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0		1	1	1		1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	52	F
Bryan, H.	D - 7	0%	15%	0%	15%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	59.50	F
Butler, A.	D - 36	0%	15%	0%	20%	0		0.5	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0		1	1	1		1	0.5	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	57	F
Dawkins, D.	D - 48	0%	15%	0%	15%	1		0.5	0.5	0.5	1	1	1	0	0.5	0.5	0.5		1	1	1		0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	52	F
Frazier, H.	D - 27	0%	15%	0%	15%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0		0	1	1		0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	38.50	F
Horhn, J.	D - 26	0%	15%	0%	15%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0		1	1	1		1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	49	F

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Jackson, R.	D - 11	5%	15%	0%	20%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0.5		1	1	1		1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	58	F
Jolly, R.	D-8	3%	15%	0%	17.50%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0		0	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	59.50	F
Jordan, D.	D - 24	5%	15%	0%	20%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0		0	1	1		1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	54	F
Norwood, S.	D - 28	0%	15%	0%	15%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0		0	1	1		0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	38.50	F
Simmons, D.	D - 12	0%	15%	0%	15%	0		0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0		1	1	1		0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	44	F
Stone, B.	D -10	0%	15%	0%	15%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0		1	1	1		1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	52	F
Turner, A.	D - 16	0%	15%	0%	15%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0		1	1	1		1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	46.50	F
Witherspoon,	D - 38	0%	15%	0%	15%	0		0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0		1	1	1		1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	49	F

<sup>\*</sup>Vacated Seat for Judicial Appointment - Impacted Votes Scored

<sup>\*\*</sup>Unavoidable Absence Mid-Session Impacted Score

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Elected Mid-Session to Fill Vacated Seat - Impacted Votes Scored

### MISSISSIPPI GROWTH PROJECT

In 2016, AFP Mississippi rolled out the Mississippi Growth Project, a policy roadmap focused on fairer taxes, fewer opportunity-killing regulations, responsible spending and student-centered education. Underlying each of these areas is a commitment to the idea that Mississippians should have more freedom over how they provide for their families, spend their money and educate their children. Find out more about the project at MSGrowthProject.com.

# FAIRER TAXES AND PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS

The money you earn is your property. It belongs to you. Not the government. Taxes should be low, simple, behavior neutral and broadbased. Tax policy should not be used to pick winners or losers or protect the influential. (msgrowthproject.com/taxes/)

**SB 2858** - "THE TAXPAYER PAY RAISE ACT" | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW | WEIGHTED 15%

SB 2858 provides for the phase out of the 3% income tax bracket, the phase out of the corporate franchise tax, and the phase-in of a self-employment deduction that mirrors the federal self-employment deduction. Once fully implemented, it is projected that SB 2858 will save Mississippi taxpayers over \$400 million annually. While AFP Mississippi has some concern about the narrowing of the tax base by eliminating the lowest income tax bracket, on balance, the Taxpayer Pay Raise Act provides every individual taxpayer some relief, and more significantly, eliminates an antiquated business tax that punishes capital investment in Mississippi.

The Economic Freedom Scorecard includes two votes in each chambers related to SB 2858, including the original action on the bill (weighted at 5% of the scorecard) and final passage of the conference report (weighted at 10% of the scorecard).

-INCREASE OF THE GAS TAX | AFP POSITION: OPPOSE | DIED | WEIGHTED 15% In fall of 2015, the Mississippi Economic Council released a report calling

for \$375 million in additional annual funding for roads and bridges, including \$300 million to the Mississippi Department of Transportation for state-controlled interstates and highways and \$75 million for local roads. Proposals varied for how to raise these funds, but focused most intensely on increasing the gas tax. AFP Mississippi opposed these proposals on multiple grounds. Before raising taxes on hardworking Mississippi families, it is incumbent upon the Legislature and our state leaders to ensure that: (1) the funds currently being spent on our roadways are being properly prioritized; (2) waste, fraud and abuse are curtailed; and (3) if additional funds are still needed, money cannot be moved from other non-priority areas in state government.

All legislators began the session with 15% on the Economic Freedom Scorecard on the issue of increased taxes and fees for infrastructure. Sponsorship of filed legislation which expressly sought to raise taxes and fees for infrastructure resulted in the loss of the 15%. Additionally, a vote against tabling either of two recorded amendments in the Mississippi House that would have raised taxes and fees for infrastructure resulted in the loss of the 15%. Present votes on either of the two recorded amendments resulted in partial credit.

**HB 167** - SALES TAX DIVERSION WITHHOLDING | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW

HB 167 permits the withholding of 10% of a municipality's sales tax diversion if the municipality fails to comply with state audit requirements. AFP supported HB 167 on the belief that it provides an accountability tool to aid in reducing waste of taxpayer dollars.

HB 393 - TAX TRANSPARENCY | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW

HB 393 requires local taxing entities to prepare and file an annual report with State Auditor reflecting taxes collected or received and their source. The information will be filed on the State Auditor's website. AFP supported HB 393 on the belief that it provides greater transparency to taxpayers.

**HB 461** - TAX SIMPLIFICATION | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW

HB 461 requires the filing deadline for Mississippi income tax returns to coincide with federal deadline for income tax returns. This commonsense move is consistent with the principle of tax simplification discussed at the Mississippi Growth Project.

**HB 767** - DUTY OWED TO TRESPASSER | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW HB 767 codifies that a possessor of real property owes no duty of care to

a trespasser, except a duty to refrain from willfully or wantonly injuring such a person. The legislation does not expand liability or interfere with exemptions and defenses available at common law or under existing statute.

### HB 899 - PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM REFORM | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT

#### SIGNED INTO LAW

HB 899 revises multiple definitions and provisions to make clearer the state's obligations under the Public Employees' Retirement System. While these technical changes will be beneficial, AFP supports further reform to the Public Employees' Retirement System to insure solvency and protect both public employees and taxpayers.

# **HB 1410** - CIVIL ASSET FORFEITURE TASK FORCE | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW

HB 1410 creates a task force charged with evaluating the procedures surrounding civil asset forfeiture, the practice of allowing seizure and permanent confiscation of property allegedly implicated in the commission of a crime using a lower burden of proof that necessary for criminal conviction. AFP Mississippi recognizes the importance of ensuring that property rights are adequately protected in the enforcement of our laws.

# **HB 1529** - RESTRICTIONS ON APPEAL BONDS | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW

HB 1529 places limits on the amount of an appeal bond required to appeal a judgment of a lower court in recognition that excessive appeal bonds might prevent legitimate appeals from proceeding or serve as a point of post-settlement leverage.

#### SB 2483 - FORUM PROTECTION | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW

SB 2483 allows a business to include in their articles of incorporation a provision setting the forum for any derivative action in the county where the business is located, thereby preventing forum shopping in derivative actions.

#### SB 2808 - REDUCTION IN UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TAX | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT

#### SIGNED INTO LAW

SB 2808 will result in a reduction of approximately \$20 million annually in unemployment insurance taxes paid by employers. While AFP Mississippi would have preferred SB 2808 to not create the Mississippi Works Fund and instead include a complete reduction in the current

excess collection of unemployment insurance taxes, SB 2808 is a step in the right direction on balance.

**SB 2922** - TAX CREDITS, REBATES & INCENTIVES | AFP POSITION: OPPOSE | SIGNED INTO

#### LAW

SB 2922 includes multiple different tax credits, rebates and incentives for developing historic property, the "Tourism Project Sales Tax Incentive Program," and the Mississippi Motion Picture Incentive Act. AFP Mississippi opposes this package of incentives as it effectively serves to pick winners and losers within our economy and distort the market. As a practical concern, both the Tourism Project Sales Tax Incentive Program and the Motion Picture Incentive Act have a poor record of performance, with a study of the latter showing that the state loses 51 cents of every dollar invested.

### RESPONSIBLE SPENDING

Every dollar the government spends is one less dollar in your pocket, your neighbor's pocket or the pocket of the job creators in your community. Spending should be limited to only core functions of government with the goal of protecting taxpayers. It should not be used to favor the politically connected or to compete against private business. (msgrowthproject. com/spending/)

HB1 (SS) - CONTINENTAL TIRE & TOPSHIP | AFP POSITION: OPPOSE | SIGNED INTO LAW HB 1, from the first extraordinary session of 2016, will provide approximately \$274 million in cash incentives to Continental Tire and TopShip to open facilities in Mississippi, along with tax breaks not available to existing Mississippi businesses that have been valued in the hundreds of millions of dollars. The direct cash incentives will be borrowed resulting in the accrual of substantial interest.

As a matter of principle, AFP Mississippi does not believe that tax proceeds from working families should be redistributed to multi-billion dollar corporations. Practically speaking, the State has had a poor track record with investments in other private entities. At a minimum, prior to voting on these types of corporate welfare packages, legislators should be given sufficient time and detail to investigate and speak with their constituents.

#### HB 1116 - HOPE ACT | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | DIED IN CONFERENCE

HB 1116 would have created a system for heightened identify and income verification for purposes of determining eligibility for Medicaid, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). HB 1116 would have also created a number of transparency measures surrounding these programs.

# **HB 1444** - FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY IN EDUCATION SPENDING | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | DIED IN SENATE

HB 1444 would have required local school districts to maintain a searchable database detailing all monies received or expended by the school district.

#### SB 2362 - BUDGET TRANSPARENCY & SIMPLIFICATION ACT | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT

#### | SIGNED INTO LAW

SB 2362 eliminates interagency fees and certain special funds in an effort to make more transparent sources of revenue and spending of taxes and fees being collected. While AFP Mississippi believes this legislation will require tweaking as it takes effect, it is a step in the right direction in increasing transparency and accountability over government spending.

### SB 2384 - CONSOLIDATION OF MEDICAID & DHS | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | DIED IN

#### HOUSE

SB 2384 would have provided for the consolidation of Medicaid and Department of Human Services with goal of reducing overhead on providing services to overlapping populations. In the House of Representatives, a committee amendment to require an independent assessment of the consolidation was passed, but the legislation ultimately died. AFP Mississippi is supportive of investigating the potential savings of consolidating state agencies, and is particularly interested in finding savings related to the operation of Medicaid and DHS—cumulatively, the largest drivers of state spending.

### HB 1729 - OMNIBUS BOND PACKAGE AFP POSITION: OPPOSE | SIGNED INTO LAW |

#### **BONUS VOTE**

HB 1729 includes authorization for approximately \$300 million in new bonds (debt), including approximately \$250 million in authorization for FY2017. While some of the debt authorized is for colleges and universities and infrastructure spending, much of it will go toward the "economic development" of private enterprise and the planning, construction and/or repair of museums, zoos, memorials and various centers (convention,

science, arts & entertainment, equine). In conjunction with the major economic development projects in HB 1 (SS), the 2016 Legislature authorized nearly \$600 million in new bonds for FY2017 and beyond. Debt service payments now eclipse half a billion a year.

### LESS REGULATION. MORE OPPORTUNITY.

It is time to have faith in the history proven efficacy of the free market by removing burdensome restrictions that stand in the way of people working, limit consumer choices and protect entrenched interests from competition. Let people decide for themselves how to earn a living, spend their money and raise their families. (msgrowthproject.com/ regulation/)

#### HB 504 - AUCTIONEER LICENSE ACT | AFP POSITION: OPPOSE | SIGNED INTO LAW

HB 504 reenacts the Mississippi Auctioneer License Act, which requires a person conducting an auction to be licensed by the Mississippi Auctioneer Commission. AFP Mississippi opposes occupational licensure regulations that make it harder for people to work absent a compelling public interest and no less burdensome path to satisfy that interest. Too often these boards and licenses serve as a barrier to entry for entrepreneurs by protecting existing businesses from competition. We believe market forces ultimately provide the best protection for consumers without infringing on people's economic freedom to earn a living.

# **HB 819** - SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ACT | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO I AW

HB 819 reenacts the Mississippi Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act, which establishes a committee to review rules proposed under the Mississippi Administrative Procedures Law to determine the economic impact of the rules on small business.

#### HB 1178 - EXPANSION OF TELEMEDICINE | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | DIED IN SENATE

HB 1178 would have expanded patient access to telemedicine in Mississippi, the practice of permitting patients to consult medical providers via telephone or video conferencing in order to receive medical care. AFP Mississippi is supportive of efforts to expand access to care and consumer choice in medicine, particularly in underserved communities and to the extent new technology permits quality care to be administered at reduced costs.

#### HB 1223 - LEISURE & RECREATION DISTRICTS | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO

#### LAW

HB 1223 authorizes governing authorities in certain municipalities to establish leisure and recreation districts. AFP Mississippi is supportive of legislation that empowers consumers with more choice.

HB 1381 - RIDE SHARING AUTHORIZATION | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO

#### LAW

HB 1381 creates a universal framework to permit ride sharing companies to operate in Mississippi. AFP Mississippi is supportive of legislation that empowers consumers with more choice.

SB 2409 - MISSISSIPPI CREDIT AVAILABILITY ACT | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED

#### INTO LAW

SB 2409 removed restrictions on the marketing and sale of certain credit products, offering certain consumers additional choices to meet their lending needs.

SB 2528 - STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS | AFP POSITION: OPPOSE | SIGNED

#### INTO LAW

SB 2528 extends the repealer on the State Board of Barber Examiners through 2020. AFP Mississippi opposes occupational licensure regulations that make it harder for people to work absent a compelling public interest and no less burdensome path to satisfy that interest. Too often these boards and licenses serve as a barrier to entry for entrepreneurs by protecting existing businesses from competition. We believe market forces ultimately provide the best protection for consumers without infringing on people's economic freedom to earn a living.

SB 2541 - FANTASY SPORTS TASK FORCE | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW SB 2541, as signed into law, created a task force to study fantasy sports betting following the release of an opinion from the Mississippi Attorney General's office that found such betting to be illegal.

### STUDENT-CENTERED EDUCATION

Our education system should be student-centered. Policy development starts with the admission that our children are unique. One-size-fits-all, top-down education does not work. We need to give parents choice in how they educate their children, focus on performance, and embrace the reality that healthy competition drives excellence. (msgrowthproject. com/education/)

**SB 2161** - CHARTER SCHOOL EXPANSION | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW | WEIGHTED 10%

SB 2161 permits children trapped in failing school districts to cross district lines to attend a public charter school located in another district, resulting in parents having more choices in how to educate their children. This vote was weighted at 10% of the Economic Freedom Scorecard.

**HB 29** - SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORTING REQUIREMENT | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | DIED IN SENATE

HB 29 would have required school districts to send certain reports to the Joint Legislative Committee of Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) to ensure evidenced-based and research-based instruction. While HB 29 died, AFP continues to be interested in ensuring that dollars spent educating our children are tied to performance.

**HB 33** - | EXPANSION OF SPECIAL NEEDS ESAS | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW

In 2015, the Legislature signed into law the Equal Opportunity for Students with Special Needs Act, a pilot program to provide Education Savings Accounts that give children with special needs more options in how they are educated. HB 33 clarified certain the eligibility definition, expanding access to the program.

**HB 37** - DYSLEXIA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM | AFP POSITION: SUPPORT | SIGNED INTO LAW

HB 37 clarified portions of the Dyslexia Therapy Scholarship Program, which provides students with dyslexia with additional educational opportunity, and deleted a repealer on the program ensuring that students suffering from dyslexia will have choice moving forward.

