

MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF SUPERVISORS

Weekly Legislative Update

2018 Regular Legislative Session

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THE 2018 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The 2018 Regular Legislative Session gaveled in at 12 noon on January, 2, 2018. This session is scheduled to last 90 days. The Deadline for making requests for general and constitutional amendments to be drafted is Wednesday, January 10.

MISSISSIPPI HOUSE COMMITTEES PASSED VARIOUS MEASURES IMPACTING INFRASTRUCTURE

On Wednesday January 3, 2018, the House Appropriations, Transportation, and Ways and Means Committees passed out measures impacting state and local infrastructure. Please thank the House leadership and membership for making infrastructure a priority this session.

The following bills were passed out of committee:

House Bill 358: This bill provides that a portion of the use tax revenue collected from online sales that do not have a sales tax nexus with this state but voluntarily collect and remit use tax to this state shall be deposited into a special fund in the state treasury and used for the repair and rehabilitation of county bridges, state bridges, and municipal streets and bridges.

NOTE: 50% of the new revenue will go towards state bridges and 25% for county bridges and 25% for municipal bridges and streets. The Office of State Aid Road Construction will administer the funds between the counties and cities.

(This measure is now on the House Floor calendar)

House Bill 357: This bill authorizes the issuance of a \$50 million bond to assist municipalities and counties with bridge improvements.

NOTE: Half of the revenue will go towards county bridge improvement and half will go toward municipal bridge improvement. The Office of State Aid Road Construction will administer the funds.

(This bill has passed the House chamber and will head to the Senate for consideration)

House Bill 354: This bill provides that 50% of growth in the state general fund revenue above 2% in any fiscal year shall be deposited into a special fund in the state treasury to be used for the repair, maintenance, and reconstruction of state, county, and municipal roads, streets, and bridges.

NOTE: This bill has passed the House chamber and will head to the Senate for consideration.



The House and Senate will reconvene Monday, January 8 at 4:00 p.m.

2018 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE

Registration opens **Monday, January 8 at 2:00 p.m.**

Registration will be set up in the East Lobby of the Jackson Convention Complex.

Address: 105 E. Pascagoula St., Jackson, MS 39201

Visit the [MAS website](#) for directions.

Shuttle bus service will be available from the Westin and Hilton Hotel to the Convention Complex.

LEGISLATIVE APPRECIATION RECEPTION

Reception is being held on **Monday, January 8 at 6:00 p.m.** in the main lobby of the Convention Complex.

Please invite your legislators to attend.

SAVE THE DATE

The 2018 NACo Legislative Conference will be held on **March 3rd—7th** at Washington Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C.

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