

# *Our* Voice

— MONTHLY —

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Our **Voices** Matter. Our **Families** Matter.  
Our **Careers** Matter. Our **Education** Matters.  
Our **Lives** Matter.

*Lynn Fitch*



## *A Message from Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch*

*From fighting for an end to human trafficking to empowering all women with new opportunities to educate, upskill, and grow, Mississippi women have demonstrated passion, energy, and empathy to make our great state a better, safer place for everyone.*

*Last year, I hosted several roundtables with women from all across the state to discuss how we can continue to advance Mississippi forward. And I will continue to host these events in the months to come. Building on this energy, I am excited to announce my office is hosting the Inaugural Mississippi Women's Summit on August 19, 2024, in Oxford, Mississippi. More details below. I hope you will be able to join us.*

*I also invite you to share this newsletter with your friends. If they would like to get it directly, have them **email us**. And please share news of our Inaugural Women's Summit with your friends, as well!*

**May God Bless You,**



*Lynn Fitch*  
ATTORNEY GENERAL



*Inaugural*  
**WOMEN'S SUMMIT**

August 19 | Oxford Conference Center  
2024 | Oxford, Mississippi

In partnership with the **Office of the Mississippi Attorney General**

*Updates from the Attorney General's Office*

This legislative session, I proposed a broad agenda focused on fighting crime to create safer communities, protecting Mississippi elections for Mississippi voters, empowering women and promoting healthy families.

I am so grateful to our partners in the Legislature who are working with us to advance these initiatives. And pleased to announced that many of these bills are receiving strong and even unanimous support, including:

- HB 1126 introduced by Rep. Jill Ford – to give parents better controls to keep their children safe online
- SB 2132 introduced by Sen. Walter Michel – to allow past-due child support to be withheld from gaming winnings
- SB 2131 introduced by Sen. David Parker – to allow child support for a disabled child to continue past the age of majority
- HB 1607 by Rep. Dana McLean and S 2753 by Sen. Josh Harkins – to protect girls' privacy, safety, and opportunity
- HB 1478 by Rep. Rodney Hall and SB 2441 by Sen. Angela Hill – to address vaping problems among teenagers
- HB 900 by Rep. Randy Rushing – to codify the rights of parents to direct their children's upbringing
- HB 1625 by Rep. John Faulkner – to give the AGO more tools to go after hackers
- SB 2355 by Sen. Bart Williams and HB 1196 by Rep. Rob Roberson – to honor the life of Walker Montgomery, who lost his life to suicide following an online scam, by creating a criminal cause of action for sextortion

- HB 844 by Rep. Becky Currie – to require the Parole Board to give notice to law enforcement, prosecutors, and family before parole hearings
- SB 2575 by Sen Jeremy England – to amend our campaign finance laws to make sure Mississippi elections are for Mississippi voters

## *AG Fitch in the News*

### **Fox News: GOP AGs press Biden admin to act after reports that 85,000 migrant children are missing, possibly trafficked**

"President Biden's own Department of Health and Human Services is sounding the alarm that unaccompanied children are being released into compromising situations but seems unwilling or unable to devise a strategy to address these concerns," **Fitch told Fox News Digital.** "This may end up one of the greatest tragedies to come from the chaos they have created at the border."

### **WLBT: Fitch signs open letter demanding Meta end 'child exploitation'**

"Meta knows that its efforts to promote Instagram influencers are creating markets for child exploitation, but it has failed to take even the most basic protective measures," **Fitch said in a news release.** "We will not back down from holding Meta's feet to the fire. Our children and their innocence deserve nothing less than our full resolve."

