

Our Voice

— MONTHLY —

January 23, 2025

A MESSAGE FROM
MISSISSIPPI ATTORNEY GENERAL

Lynn Fitch



A Message from Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch

As we begin the 2025 Legislative Session, I am excited to unveil my five-part legislative agenda, which includes bills to empower Mississippi families, secure our communities, advance election integrity, safeguard children's health, and protect public funds.

I know that through these priorities, we can advance our State and provide women and their families across Mississippi with the necessary tools and resources for a prosperous future. I appreciate our partners in the Legislature and look forward to collaborating with them in the 2025 session to advance these initiatives.

Supporting Women and Families:

- *Enact paid parental leave for state employees;*
- *Require past-due child support to be collected from casino winnings;*
- *Establish the Public Assistance Programs Study Committee so that no federal money that can help meet the needs of our most vulnerable is left on the table;*
- *Ensure that every parent has a right to decide their child's education, care and upbringing through the Parents' Bill of Rights;*
- *Prohibit cell phones in classrooms during instructional hours; and*
- *Require all Mississippi students to take personal finance.*

Ensuring Safe Communities by Securing Justice:

- *Update Mississippi's Sexual Assault Victims' Bill of Rights;*
- *Prevent child exploitation by making child grooming a crime;*
- *Support victims of human trafficking while strengthening expungement*

statute; and

- Create a sliding scale for misdemeanor assessments deposited into the Victims of Human Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation Fund.

Promoting Election Integrity:

- Address criminal ballot harvesting; and
- Stop out-of-state dark money influence in Mississippi elections with improved transparency in our campaign finance laws.

Safeguarding Health and Safety of Minors:

- Correct age discrepancies in the Mississippi Juvenile Access Prevention Act; and
- Prohibit illegal vaping products from being sold in Mississippi.

Protecting Mississippians' Money:

- Create an Opioid Settlement Fund Committee to distribute the more than \$300 million secured through settlements with opioid manufacturers, distributors, and others who contributed to the opioid epidemic; and
- Require audits of nonprofit organizations that receive \$10 million or more in public funds.

May God Bless You,



AG Fitch in the News

AG Fitch Releases 2025 Legislative Agenda



General Fitch joins Maggie Wade with WLBT



General Fitch and Supertalk's Richard Cross at Mississippi Economic Council Capital Day

Save the Date for the 2025 Women's Summit



Don't forget to save the date for the 2025 Mississippi Women's Summit September 8-9, 2025 at The Refuge Hotel & Conference Center in Flowood, Mississippi.

Share this graphic with your friends, co-workers, and family who might want to get the 2025 Mississippi Women's Summit on their calendars, too!



AttorneyGeneralLynnFitch.com



MS Attorney General's Office | 550 High Street Suite 1200 | Jackson, MS 39201 US

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)



Try email marketing for free today!