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Senate Bills:

SB2056 Small Municipalities and Limited Population Counties Fund; authorize the issuance of g.o. bonds for in the amount of \$10,000,000.00. [01/03 \(S\) Referred To Finance](#)

SB2061 Sales tax; create diversion to counties. [01/03 \(S\) Referred To Finance](#)

SB2073 Federal MOU/MOE or contract agreements; require publication by state agencies. [01/03 \(S\) Referred To Accountability, Efficiency, Transparency](#)

SB2080 Ad valorem tax on inventory tax; phase in exemption for certain small businesses. [01/04 \(S\) Referred To Finance](#)

SB2105 Public contracts; give preference to resident bidders. [01/04 \(S\) Referred To Accountability, Efficiency, Transparency](#)

House Bills:

HB1 Workers' Compensation Law; revise various provisions regarding. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Insurance; Judiciary A](#)

HB2 Industrial life insurers; increase maximum life insurance policy from \$10,000.00 to \$20,000.00. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Insurance](#)

HB3 Health insurance policies; require coverage for hearing aids and services for children under 21. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Insurance](#)

HB4 Sales tax; create diversion to counties. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Ways and Means](#)

HB7 Income tax; authorize a credit for certain small businesses that create new jobs. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Ways and Means](#)

HB51 Sales tax; divert a portion of revenue to counties in which certain tax increment financing districts are located. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Ways and Means](#)

HB77 Workers' Compensation Law; increase maximum total recovery under to 520 weeks. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Insurance; Judiciary A](#)

HB78 Workers' Compensation; increase maximum total recovery and remove cap on permanent total disability compensation. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Insurance; Judiciary A](#)

HB119 Transportation; transfer law enforcement duties of MDOT to the Department of Public Safety. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Transportation](#)

HB158 Protective orders; prohibit unit prices within procurement contracts from being protected under. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Accountability, Efficiency, Transparency](#)

HB159 Advertisements for competitive bids; require to be posted on the procurement portal website. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Accountability, Efficiency, Transparency](#)

HB188 State construction projects; bring forward sections pertaining to acquisition, audit and inventory of. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Public Property](#)

HB191 Sales tax; increase diversion to municipalities. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Ways and Means](#)

HB218 Sales tax; increase diversion to municipalities and create diversion to counties, use revenue for street/road improvements. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Ways and Means](#)

HB289 State-assisted Local Road Construction and Maintenance Program; create for counties and municipalities under certain populations. [01/02 \(H\) Referred To Transportation; Appropriations](#)

HB331 Mississippi Individual On-Site Wastewater Disposal System Law; extend repealer on and revise various provisions of. [01/03 \(H\) Referred To Conservation and Water Resources](#)

HB339 Bonds; mandate election on issue of county or municipal bonds. [01/03 \(H\) Referred To Ways and Means](#)

HB354 General fund revenue; provide that percent of growth in will be used for repair and maintenance of state and local roads. [01/03 \(H\) Title Suff Do Pass](#) **Any year when revenue growth to the state General Fund exceeds 2%, House Bill 354 would take half that growth above 2% up to \$100 million and use it for road and bridge maintenance. Majority of that money would go to the state with smaller shares to counties and cities. General Fund has exceeded 2% only in five of the last 10 years.**

HB355 MDOT; remove from State Personnel Board. [01/03 \(H\) Title Suff Do Pass Comm Sub](#) **Would exempt the MDOT from civil service rules allowing it to reorganize and fire any of the 3200 employees at will.**

HB357 Bonds; authorize issuance to assist municipalities and counties with bridge improvements. [01/03 \(H\) Title Suff Do Pass](#) **\$50 million in bonds for bridges half to the cities and half to the counties. (Just wondering if they expect this to substitute for the LSBP allotment).**

HB358 Use tax; provide that portion of revenue collected from certain taxpayers will be used for road and bridge repair and improvements. [01/03 \(H\) Title Suff Do Pass](#) **Would designate for transportation any amount of tax between \$50 million and \$250 million collected voluntarily by online sellers. Half would go to the state and half would be split by cities.**

HB359 State road construction; prohibit if construction has not begun and right-of-way has not been acquired. [01/03 \(H\) Title Suff Do Pass Comm Sub](#) **Would ban the Transportation Department from starting any new construction for the next two years if it hasn't already started acquiring right of way. Exempted would be Economic Development projects, FHWA projects and State Aid.**

HB360 Contracts; prohibit dividing of to avoid certain competitive purchasing procedures. [01/04 \(H\) Referred To Accountability, Efficiency, Transparency](#)

HB378 Appropriation; MDA for revolving loan program for rural counties and municipalities to improve infrastructure. [01/04 \(H\) Referred To Appropriations](#)

HB379 Bonds; create a rural counties and municipalities emergency infrastructure loan program and authorize issuance of bonds. [01/04 \(H\) Referred To Ways and Means](#)

HB380 Municipalities; authorize to enter into interlocal agreement with rural water association regarding sewer services. [01/04 \(H\) Referred To Municipalities](#)

HB393 State Inland Port Authority; revise the powers and duties of. [01/05 \(H\) Referred To Ports, Harbors and Airports; Ways and Means](#)

HB394 Sales tax; create diversion to counties. [01/05 \(H\) Referred To Ways and Means](#)

HB407 Highway 315; reconstruct a portion of. [01/05 \(H\) Referred To Transportation](#)