



MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (ITS) 2025 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

House Bill 958 (Regular Session 2025)

Approved by Governor Reeves on April 17, 2025, Effective July 1, 2025

- An act to amend section 25-53-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, to delete outdated exemptions to the requirements of the Mississippi Department of Information Technology services; to amend section 25-53-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, to revise certain definitions used in those statutes prescribing the powers and duties of ITS and state agencies regarding information technology; to amend section 25-53-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, in conformity to the preceding provisions; to amend section 25-53-21, Mississippi Code of 1972, to delete the requirement that the executive director of ITS involve the public procurement review board in decisions regarding information technology; to amend section 25-53-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, to provide that acquisitions of information technology made by state agencies while exempt from public purchasing requirements remain exempt until ITS determines a new acquisition is required; to amend section 25-53-29, Mississippi Code of 1972, to delete provisions requiring the use of exclude code 10 categories for certain positions; to amend section 25-53-121, Mississippi Code of 1972, to delete certain provisions relating to equipment support contracts entered into by ITS; to amend section 25-53-123, Mississippi Code of 1972, to delete specific procurement requirements for the acquisition of nonregulated telecommunications systems; to amend section 25-53-201, Mississippi Code of 1972, in conformity to the provisions of this act; and for related purposes.

House Bill 1074 (Regular Session 2025)

Approved by Governor Reeves on March 18, 2025, Effective July 1, 2025

- An act to amend section 25-53-151, Mississippi Code of 1972, to add additional members to the electronic government oversight committee; and for related purposes. Added the Executive Directors of the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks and the Department of Archives and History, or his/her designees.

House Bill 1491 (Regular Session 2025)

Approved by Governor Reeves on April 17, 2025, Effective July 1, 2025

- An act to establish a cloud center of excellence (CCoE) within the Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services; to facilitate the adoption and management of cloud computing across state agencies and governing authorities; to provide strategic guidance, best practices, and governance frameworks for cloud migration and optimization; to enhance security, scalability, and cost efficiency in statewide cloud operations; to authorize the phased implementation of the CCoE over a two-year period; to provide reporting and oversight requirements; to authorize the promulgation of rules and regulations necessary for its administration; to amend section 25-53-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, to conform definitions; to establish the technology innovation fund; and for related purposes.

Senate Bill 2267 (Regular Session 2025)**Approved by Governor Reeves on April 10, 2025, Effective July 1, 2025**

- An act to create the Mississippi Statewide data Exchange Act; to require the Department of Information Technology Services (ITS) to conduct a comprehensive study on the implementation of a statewide data exchange initiative; to direct ITS to coordinate with state agencies to assess data-sharing needs, operational requirements and policy considerations; to require ITS to develop a phased implementation plan for a secure, cloud-based statewide data exchange platform to facilitate interagency data sharing while ensuring compliance with privacy and security standards; to mandate the creation of a centralized digital hub for business owners to access, submit and track required state filings and compliance documents; to establish a Chief Information Officer (CIO) council comprised of it leadership from state agencies to provide strategic oversight, interoperability guidance and policy recommendations; to grant ITS regulatory authority to establish rules, policies and security protocols necessary to support the statewide data exchange initiative; to amend Section 25-53-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, to reflect the updated powers and responsibilities of ITS in developing, governing and maintaining the Mississippi Statewide Data Exchange; and for related purposes.

Senate Bill 2426 (Regular Session 2025)**Approved by Governor Reeves on March 18, 2025, Effective Upon Passage**

- An act to establish the Artificial Intelligence Regulation (AIR) Task Force; to provide for the appointment of members of the task force, including ex-officio members; to specify the task force's purpose and duties; to direct the task force to study and evaluate artificial intelligence applications, risks and policy recommendations; to require that the task force will report its findings and any recommendations to the Legislature annually; to authorize funds and support for the task force's work; and for related purposes.

Senate Bill 2032 (First Extraordinary Session 2025)**Due from Governor Reeves on June 19, 2025, Effective July 1, 2025**

- ITS Appropriation Bill for Fiscal Year 2026

Senate Nomination 67 (Regular Session), appointment confirmed April 1, 2025

- Dr. Craig P. Orgeron, Madison, Mississippi, Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services, term effective July 1, 2024.

Senate Nomination 98 (Regular Session), appointment confirmed April 1, 2025

- Mark Edsel Henderson, Kiln, Mississippi, Information Technology Services Authority, five-year term beginning January 21, 2025, and ending June 30, 2029.