

FUNDING EDUCATION IN MISSISSIPPI

Does the Legislature have its priorities straight?

YOU DECIDE!

Governors 2003 Budget Recommendations	Legislative 2003 Budget Recommendations
Funds Education as a priority	Slashes funding for Education by \$111 million
Restores \$30.5 million in funding for teacher supplies	Provides for barely enough money to buy one pencil for each student
Maintains Adequate Education Program Funding at 2002 Level	Slashes Adequate Education Program by \$55 million
Based on Realistic growth rate of 2.65%	Based on Alice in Wonderland Numbers of 4.3%

In 2001 Governor Musgrove warned the Legislature, by vetoing the budget, that their projections were too optimistic. The legislature ignored that warning. Don't let this happen again. Contact your Legislator TODAY and tell them to get their Priorities Straight.