

Retirement Bill
Post Special Session Press Conference

Scenario 1
Talking Points

- Good Afternoon
- I congratulate the members of the Mississippi House and Senate for ACTING RESPONSIBLY by voting to repeal the legislative retirement benefits of House Bill 1281.
- I called this special session to have legislators repeal this provision before the law went into effect on July 1st.
- Today, that is exactly what happened.
- By voting to repeal this provision today, we have saved taxpayers \$____ annually.
- I have always been opposed to this provision of the bill; however, I have supported the provision that benefits our state employees, teachers and Mississippi Highway Patrol officers.
- By making today's call exclusively for the purpose of addressing the legislative retirement benefits, we have **saved** the important part of this bill, which positively benefits Mississippi state employees, Mississippi teachers and Mississippi Highway Patrol officers.
- We have done what is right, and legislators voted in the best interest of the people of Mississippi.