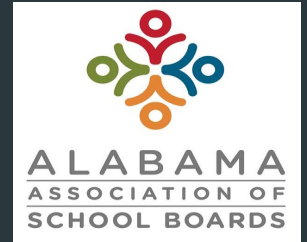




SPECIAL EDITION



2020 Regular Legislative Session Enacted Legislation

General Bills

This publication includes only enactments of interest to education.

Act	Synopsis
<u>2020-14</u>	Prohibits a municipality from imposing an occupational tax not already in effect by February 1, 2020, unless authorized by local legislation. <p style="text-align: right;">H.147 (Sells) <i>Effective March 3, 2020</i></p>
<u>2020-169</u>	Appropriates \$7.2 billion from the Education Trust Fund for the support, maintenance and development of public education, debt service and capital outlay for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021. <u>View budget spreadsheet.</u> <p style="text-align: right;">H.187 (Poole) <i>Effective Oct. 1, 2020</i></p>
<u>2020-204</u>	Provides a supplemental appropriation from the Education Trust Fund to multiple agencies; appropriates \$14 million to the State Department of Education and directs \$9.8 million for expansion of the science of reading training to support the Literacy Act; \$2.7 million for additional regional math coaches and trainers; \$250,000 for school safety liaisons per ALEA region; \$1 million for a marketing campaign for teachers; and \$300,000 for teacher and parent online teaching assistance grants; additionally provides \$2.5 million through the Alabama Supercomputer Authority for K-12 school cybersecurity and IT support of which \$1 million shall be spent to provide specified professional development for all education employees on digital security. <p style="text-align: right;">H.189 (Poole) <i>Effective May 28, 2020</i></p>
<u>2020-154</u>	Appropriates \$178.9 million to K-12 from the Advancement & Technology Fund to be used in FY20; authorizes funds to be used for repairs and deferred maintenance, classroom instructional supplies, insurance for facilities, transportation, acquisition or purchase of education technology, or school safety; provides a \$66.2 million supplemental to higher education and a \$15 million first year repayment to the education bond issue. <p style="text-align: right;">H.190 (Poole) <i>Effective May 18, 2020</i></p>

- 2020-68** Provides military dependents be deemed Alabama residents for purposes of enrolling and attending a K-12 virtual school located in the state when a member of U.S. Armed Forces is ordered to relocate to Alabama.
S.143 (Chesteen) *Effective June 1, 2020*
- 2020-167** Authorizes a \$1.25 billion education bond issue for public education capital improvements through the Alabama Public School and College Authority; appropriates \$912 million for K-12; \$217.8 million for higher education institutions and \$120 million for the Alabama Community College System; reduces annual Education Trust Fund receipts by \$79.8 million annually for a 20-year period.
S.242 (Orr) *Effective May 18, 2020*

Local Bills

- 2020-35** Pickens County: Provides a constitutional amendment that, if approved by voters, would provide the local school superintendent shall continue to be elected.
H.171 (Sullivan) *Effective March 12, 2020*
- 2020-94** Butler County: Provides a constitutional amendment that, if approved by voters, would change county board of education member terms from six to four years.
H.302 (Sells) *Effective May 7, 2020*
- 2020-183** Guntersville: Authorizes the Guntersville City council, if approved by voters, to increase the special school ad valorem tax by an additional amount up to nine mills.
H.389 (Kitchens) *Effective August 1, 2020*
- 2020-156** Decatur: Provides for board members terms of office to commence at the same time as terms of office for city council members; allows for board member compensation to be changed by majority vote of the board.
H.461 (Moore, P.) *Effective May 18, 2020*
- 2020-155** Lauderdale County: Provides the Lauderdale County Superintendent of Education to be elected by qualified electors of Lauderdale County who reside outside of the corporate limits of the City of Florence.
H.463 (Greer) *Effective January 1, 2021*
- 2020-165** Cullman County: Authorizes the town of Garden City to receive, hold title to and manage the former Garden City school property owned by the Cullman County Board of Education.
H.495 (Harbison) *Effective May 18, 2020*
- 2020-197** Montgomery County: Provides for a local property tax referendum, if approved by voters, to increase the ad valorem tax on all taxable property in Montgomery County (except for Pike Road City) up to a maximum rate of 18.5 mills for any tax year and earmark proceeds from the increase for Montgomery Public Schools
H.500 (Hatcher) *Effective May 19, 2020*

Vetoed

- Muscle Shoals: Proposed a constitutional amendment to change the Muscle Shoals City Board of Education from appointed to elected.
H.366 (Sorrell, A.)

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