

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1524

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2020, pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Mississippi and Miss. Code Ann. § 33-15-11(b)(17), I issued a Proclamation declaring that a State of Emergency exists in the State of Mississippi as a result of the anticipated impact of Tropical Storm/Hurricane Sally; and

WHEREAS, Miss. Code Ann. § 19-11-11 requires the board of supervisors of each county to adopt, by resolution, a final budget by September 15 each year of the county's expenditures, revenues, cash balances, and amount of funds necessary for the next fiscal year, as well as the budget of estimated expenses for the county department of education; and

WHEREAS, Miss. Code Ann. § 21-35-5 requires the governing authorities of each municipality in Mississippi to prepare a complete budget by September 15 each year of the municipality's revenues, expenses and working cash balances estimated for the next fiscal year, and to prepare a statement showing the aggregate revenue collected during the current year in said municipality for municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, many counties and municipalities in the State of Mississippi along the Gulf Coast and inland have declared a local state of emergency associated with Tropical Storm/Hurricane Sally, are in the process of doing so, or will be relying on the Proclamation I issued previously; and

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm/Hurricane Sally is expected to increase in intensity prior to landfall on September 15, 2020 along the Louisiana and/or Mississippi coast line, with the brunt of this system expected to greatly affect the Mississippi Gulf Coast region over the course of several days; and

WHEREAS, in view of the anticipated impact of Tropical Storm/Hurricane Sally along the Mississippi Gulf Coast and inland, it is possible that Adams, Amite, Covington, Forrest, Franklin, George, Greene, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Jefferson Davis, Jones, Lamar, Lawrence, Lincoln, Marion, Pearl River, Perry, Pike, Stone, Walthall, Wayne, and Wilkinson Counties, and the municipalities located therein will be unable to timely and adequately comply with the statutory deadlines in Miss. Code Ann. §§ 19-11-11 and 21-35-5, to the extent they have not yet done so; and

WHEREAS, the September 15 deadlines set out in Miss. Code Ann. §§ 19-11-11 and 21-35-5 should be extended through Friday, September 25, 2020, in order to allow these twenty-four (24) Gulf Coast and inland Counties and the municipalities located therein to be able to timely complete their budget process and comply with the requirements set forth in these statutes.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tate Reeves, Governor of the State of Mississippi, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, including Miss. Code. Ann. § 33-15-11(c)(1) and (4), do hereby order and direct as follows:

Due to the anticipated impact of Tropical Storm/Hurricane Sally, which is expected to makes landfall along or near the Mississippi Gulf Coast on September 15, 2020 and move inland over the course of several days, and to cope with the emergency created thereby, the September 15, 2020, deadlines set forth in Miss. Code Ann. §§ 19-11-11 and 21-35-5 should be, and are hereby suspended and extended through September 25, 2020, for Adams, Amite, Covington, Forrest, Franklin, George, Greene, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Jefferson Davis, Jones, Lamar, Lawrence, Lincoln, Marion, Pearl River, Perry, Pike, Stone, Walthall, Wayne, and Wilkinson Counties, and the municipalities located therein in order to allow

these counties and municipalities to timely comply with and complete their budget requirements set forth in these statutes after the danger posed by Tropical Storm/Hurricane Sally has abated.

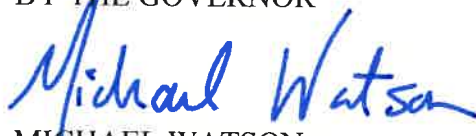
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.



DONE in the City of Jackson, on the 15TH day of September, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-fifth.


TATE REEVES
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR


MICHAEL WATSON
SECRETARY OF STATE