

VOICES for Alabama's Children's 2024 Regular Legislative Session Final Bill Tracking is provided as an update on bills and actions lawmakers took during the 2024 Regular Legislative Session. Unless specifically noted, tracking of a bill is not intended to imply support or opposition to any bill.

Terms for bills noted as "Wins"

- Enacted = bills passed into law that VOICES supported and/or are likely to have a positive impact on children's lives, families and communities
- Defeated = bills VOICES opposed that failed to pass the legislature

2024 Final Legislative Bill Tracking - WINS			
Bill	Sponsor	Description	Status
HB22	Rep. Mark Gidley	Public K-12 assistant principals, role further provided for	Enacted
HB42	Rep. Donna Givens	Sound of Freedom Act; human trafficking; minimum sentence of life imprisonment where victim is a minor	Enacted
HB77/ SB256	Rep. Phillip Rigsby/ Sen. Rodger M. Smitherman	Newborn Screening Panel, procedure for addition of conditions to panel, further provided for	Enacted
HB81	Allen Treadaway	Pardons; ineligible for pardon if convicted of sex offenses involving a child	Enacted
HB111/ SB92	Rep. Susan DuBose/Sen. April Weaver	Sex-based terms, defined; vital statistics, report sex as male or female at birth required, legislative policy regarding sex and gender identity established	Defeated
HB113	Rep. Pebblin W. Warren	Public elementary school, admittance of children to kindergarten and first grade, demonstration of first-grade readiness	Enacted
HB125	Rep. Leigh Hulsey	Crimes and offenses; unlawful for clergy to commit certain sex acts; crime created; penalties provided.	Enacted



HB126	Rep. Leigh Hulsey	Fire-protection personnel and emergency medical services personnel, annual training related to individuals with sensory needs and	Enacted
		certain disabilities, required	
HB145	Rep. Danny Garrett	FY2025 Education Trust Fund Appropriations	Enacted
HB146	Rep. Danny Garrett	Public education employees, including K-12, post secondary education, and AIDB, salary increase	Enacted
HB163	Rep. Cynthia Almond	Alabama School of Healthcare Sciences Bill	Enacted
HB164	Rep. Ben Robbins	Consumer Protection; online distribution of material harmful to minors, prohibited; online age- verification requirements, required	Enacted
HB168	Rep. Matt Woods	Crimes & Offenses, raises max. age for offenses involving obscene materials with depictions of children, authorizes punitive damages for victims of those offenses, and directs Board of Ed. to require policies related to those offenses	Enacted
HB188/ SB165	Rep. Terri Collins/ Sen. Rodger M. Smitherman	Public K-12 education, creates uniform process for suspension and expulsion of public school students, requires disciplinary hearing following long-term suspension or expulsion, St. Bd. of Ed. required to adopt rules	Enacted
HB195	Rep. Susan DuBose	Public K-12 schools, sex education curriculum further provided for, sexual risk avoidance established as exclusive sex education curriculum, local boards of education prohibited from using services of org. that endorses other approaches to sex	Defeated
HB280/ SB284	Rep. Joe Lovvorn/ Sen. Jay Hovey	Public K-12 education, fentanyl prevention and drug poisoning awareness required in grades 6 through 12.	Enacted



HB290	Rep. Ed Oliver	Public and nonpublic schools,	Enacted
		sudden cardiac arrest, required to	
		develop and implement cardiac	
		emergency response plan	
HB346/	Rep. Cynthia Almond/	Establishes the Alabama Workforce	Enacted
SB250	Sen. Chris Elliott	Housing Tax Credit Act; creates the	
		Alabama Workforce Housing Tax	
		Credit	
HB358/	Rep. Anthony Daniels/	Relating to child care and workforce	Enacted
SB280	Sen. Garlan Gudger	development; to establish the	
		employer tax credit and child care	
		provider tax credit; to make	
		legislative findings.	
HB441	Rep. Danny Garrett	Growing Alabama Act, Innovating	Enacted
		Alabama Act, Alabama Jobs Act,	
		Innovate Alabama, allow existing	
		communities to qualify for incentives	
SB59	Sen. Arthur Orr	Public K-12 education; hands-on	Enacted
		instruction in CPR and the use of	
		AEDs, required in health classes;	
		State Board of Education, authorized	
		to adopt rules	
SB95	Sen. Vivian Figures	Tobacco products; electronic	Enacted
		nicotine delivery systems, use or	
		possession of device, prohibited	
		without regard to particular	
0000		substance used therein	
SB98	Sen. Arthur Orr	Public K-12 school security; School	Enacted
		Security Program, established to	
		require school security inspections	
		and grading; School Security and	
		Fire Safety Fund, established to	
SB119	Sen. Robert Stewart	provide Child labor, increasing civil and	Enacted
30119		Child labor, increasing civil and criminal penalties for employers who	Enacleu
		violate child labor laws	
SB153	Sen. Andrew Jones	Expungement, to provide that a	Enacted
00100		person adjudged youthful offender	LIIACIEU
		for a misdemeanor offense,	
		violation, traffic violation, or	
		municipal ordinance violation may	
		file a petition to have records	
		expunged.	
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SB159/ HB237	Sen. Tim Melson/ Rep. Terri Collins	In vitro fertilization; civil and criminal immunity for death or damage to an embryo provided to persons when providing or receiving services related to IVF	Enacted
SB210/ HB260	Sen. Rodger M. Smitherman/ Rep. Kenyatté Hassell	Juveniles; provide for concurrent jurisdiction, criminal offenses	Enacted
SB235	Sen. Will Barfoot	Crimes and offenses, juveniles, prohibit release confidential information	Enacted
SB246	Sen. Arthur Orr	Vaccines; religious exemption for K- 12 students, further provided for; religious exemption for students at public institutions of higher education, provided	Defeated
SB253/ HB373	Sen. Donnie Chesteen/ Rep. Kelvin Lawrence	Alabama Workforce Pathways Act, different pathways for high school diplomas based on future career plans	Enacted



Terms for bills noted as "Missed Opportunities"

• Failed = bills that failed to pass the legislature and that VOICES supported and/or could have made a positive impact on children's lives, families and communities

2024 Final Legislative Bill Tracking – MISSED OPPORTUNITIES			
Bill	Sponsor	Description	Status
HB36	Rep. Phillip Ensler	Firearms, to prohibit parts converting a firearm into a machine gun	Failed
HB37	Rep. Phillip Ensler	Firearms, to provide for do-not-sell list	Failed
HB38	Rep. Phillip Ensler	State government created the Community-Based Violence Prevention Program within the Department of Economic and Community Affairs and provided for a pilot program to provide grants	Failed
HB48	Rep. Phillip Ensler	Firearms, to prohibit parts converting a firearm into a machine gun, with exceptions	Failed
HB65	Rep. Barbara Drummond	The bill, among other things, revises the definition of "electronic nicotine delivery system" and prohibits the distribution of tobacco and related products through vending machines. It also establishes a graduated series of consequences for under- age (under 21 years) use of electronic nicotine delivery systems. The bill introduces application and permit fees for distribution, increases penalties, and establishes rules for tobacco retailers and school programs to discourage the use of prohibited products.	Failed
HB79	Rep. Juandalynn Givan	Crimes & offenses, provides that advertising access to sexual or labor servitude is a Class B felony	Failed



HB151	Rep. Chris Blackshear	Proposed constitutional amendment; Alabama Gaming Commission, established to regulate, license, and tax certain limited forms of gaming activity and stop unlawful gaming activity; compact with PCI, authorized; local bingo provisions,	Failed
HB236/ SB62	Rep. Neil Rafferty/Sen. Arthur Orr	Taxation, sales tax exemptions, sales and use tax exemption provided for certain purchases of diapers, baby supplies, baby formula, maternity clothing, and menstrual hygiene products	Failed
HB265	Rep. Ron Bolton	Motor vehicles, child passenger restraint systems, use further provided	Failed
HB364	Rep. Leigh Hulsey	Public K-12 schools, each local board of education required to adopt an Internet safety policy for district- owned devices used in schools, prohibit use of certain platforms, provide social media instruction in certain grades	Failed
HB411	Rep. Rolanda Hollis	Incarceration, supervised pre- incarceration probation for certain pregnant women provided for, self- surrender 12 weeks after birth required, criminal penalties for failure to surrender provided	Failed
HB414	Rep. Barbara Drummond	Firearms, criminal penalty for unreasonably secured firearm stored by parent in possession of child	Failed
HB494	Rep. Marilyn Lands	Medicaid; permit presumptive eligibility for pregnancy care benefit before approval	Failed
SB35	Sen. Rodger M. Smitherman	Public K-12 education, history instruction required to be fact-based and inclusive	Failed
SB37	Sen. Gerald H. Allen	Alabama Clean Indoor Air Act, vaping included as prohibited smoking in public places.	Failed



SB172	Sen. Rodger M. Smitherman	Prohibiting discrimination in employment and receipt of federal or state financial assistance based on an individual's hair texture or hairstyle	Failed
SB335	Sen. Bobby D. Singleton	Firearms, prohibits firearms with parts that convert it into a machine gun, penalties provided	Failed

Terms for bills noted as "Losses"

• Enacted = bills VOICES opposed that were passed into law

2024 Final Legislative Bill Tracking - LOSSES			
Bill	Sponsor	Description	Status
SB53/ HB102	Sen. Arthur Orr/Rep. Susan DuBose	Child labor, to eliminate the eligibility to work form.	Enacted
SB129	Sen. Will Barfoot	Diversity, equity, and inclusion; certain public entities prohibited from maintaining office that promotes diversity, equity, and inclusion programs; certain programs related to divisive concepts or diversity, equity, and inclusion, prohibited;	Enacted



Terms for bills noted as "Other"

- Other bills = VOICES did not take a position on these bills but monitored them throughout the session
- Enacted = bills that passed into law
- Failed = bills that failed to pass the legislature

2024 Final Legislative Bill Tracking - OTHER			
Bill	Sponsor	Description	Status
HB10	Rep. Chris Pringle	Crimes and offenses, to further provide for the crime of manslaughter	Enacted
HB98	Rep. Kenneth Paschal	Fundamental rights of parents, provided for, Constitutional Amendment	Failed
HB129	Rep. Danny Garrett	Creating Hope and Opportunity for Our Students' Education(CHOOSE) Act of 2024, established to provide education savings accounts (ESAs) for parents of children to use in providing education services for those children.	Enacted
HB331/ SB311	Rep. Matt Woods/Sen. Wes Kitchens	Public K-12 schools; nonpublic school transfer students excluded from certain assessments determining school or school district grade.	Enacted
SB157	Sen. Arthur Orr	Public education employees; exclusion of students from classroom, provided for; principal authorized to suspend, expel, or recommend for alternative school certain students excluded from classroom; civil and criminal immunity provided to	Enacted
SB315	Sen. Bobby D. Singleton	Alabama Rural, Agribusiness, and Opportunity Zone Jobs Act; certain state matching capital loans authorized, subject to appropriation	Enacted