Both the full House and Senate passed legislation in the 2011 Regular Session that would have provided slightly more than level funding for the Mississippi Adequate Education Program (MAEP). However, the Senate leadership (which had pushed for an additional $65-million cut to the MAEP and an $81-million cut to all K-12 funding) refused to honor the Senate position, insisting on more cuts in final budget negotiations. This resulted in an actual MAEP appropriation that was $21,839,394 less than what had passed both chambers earlier in the session.

Sources: Mississippi Economic Policy Center and Mississippi State Budget FY2012