113THS

LAW & ORDER

- Death penalty for child rapists (HB1663)
- Protected property owners from illegal squatting (HB1259)
- Enhanced penalties for voluntary manslaughter (HB722), desecrating a church (HB1193), aggravated rape and kidnapping (HB5), drug dealers (HB702)
- Closed loophole for those incompetent to stand trial (Jillian's Law HB1640)
- Criminalized abortion trafficking of minors (HB1895)
- Duty to Warn Act (HB 1625)
- Prioritized public safety when setting bond amounts (HB1642)
- Increased protections for domestic violence victims (HB2692)
- Increased support for victims of child sex trafficking (HB1906)
- Enhanced penalties for threats of mass violence (HB2538)
- Protected law enforcement (HB1881/Back the Blue Act)

EDUCATION

- Largest salary increase for teachers in state history (HB329) *TN will be top 10 highest paid states for teachers by 2026
- New investments in tutoring, learning camps, pre-k, special education
- Protected school libraries from obscene materials (HB841)
- Expanded HOPE scholarship eligibility (HB27)
- Expanded AP courses
- Allow college students to protect themselves on campus (HB1909)
- Ensuring AI regulations in education (HB1630)

HEALTH CARE

- Invested in nursing homes, children's hospital infrastructure, rural and distressed hospitals and expanded access to mental health
- Made mammograms more accessible, affordable (HB355)
- Increased access to low-cost medications (HB2897)
- Protected financial aid for LPN students (HB2378)
- CON reform to increase health care access, lower costs (HB2269)

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

- Enshrined parental rights in TN law (HB2936)
- Protected children from accessing porn online (HB1614)
- Protected children from abortion trafficking (HB1895)
- Protected children from gender mutiltation (HB01)
- Streamlined adoption process, reduced costs (HB551/HB318/HB100)
- Protected parents and children from fraudulent adoptions (HB606)
- Increased protections for foster children (HB752)
- Required parental consent for minors on social media (HB1891)
- Protected parents' vaccine decisions (HB2861)



BUDGET & TAXES

- \$52.8 billion zero-debt balanced budget tax- 2024-25
 *No income tax /Top 3 lowest taxed state
- \$800 million in tax cuts (HB323 / HB1893) (113th)
 *Supermajority has cut \$2.9 billion in taxes since 2011
- \$661 million new recurring dollars for K-12 (113th)
 *\$3.5 billion new dollars for k-12 (over the last decade)
- \$2.15 billion Rainy Day Fund balance 2024-25

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION

- Increased TN National Guard troops at border (HB2190)
- Required police to notify federal authorities when they encounter illegals (HB2124)
- Required jails to verify citizenship, notify federal authorities if illegal (HB1128)
- Required law enforcement to track illegal immigrant encounters (HB2304)

SCHOOL SAFETY

- Funded an SRO for every public school
- Homeland Security officer for every county
- Hardened buildings, grants for public & private schools
- Modernized school safety protocols (HB322) (HB1644)
- Established grants for rapid response (HB2528)
- Freedom for districts to train and arm school personnel to protect students

VETERANS & MILITARY

- Ease transition of military family relocations (HB1416)
- Helping veterans find employment faster temporary teacher licenses (HB 786); obtain a CDL (HB88)
- Funded honor guard for veteran funerals (HB1072)
- Support for veteran-owned businesses (HB311)
- Retention bonuses for highly skilled TN National Guard members (HB2088)
- Expedited state active duty pay (HB562)

2ND AMENDMENT

- Protected financial transaction data for lawful firearms purchases (HB2762)
- Age-appropriate firearm safety curriculum in schools (HB2882)

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