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Jackson, MS – Governor Ronnie Musgrove released the following statement today regarding Fiscal Year 2002 budget cuts:

"In the face of this national recession, our priorities must be creating jobs, providing health care and education, and ensuring the safety and security of our people. We can't allow our promise to be put at risk by allowing our budget to be built on false hope."

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