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States Finalize Fiscal 2022 Budgets (Updated 7/9)

As of July 9, 46 states have enacted a full-year budget for fiscal 2022. States have been enacting fiscal 2022 budgets during a time when fiscal conditions continue to strengthen as the economy recovers from the pandemic and additional federal aid flows to state and local governments. As noted in NASBO's Spring 2021 Fiscal Survey of States, 40 out of 50 states saw revenue declines compared to pre-pandemic projections over the two-year period from fiscal 2020 to fiscal 2021. However, most states' enacted fiscal 2022 budgets include an increase in both state spending and revenue.

Forty-six states began their fiscal years on July 1. New York starts its fiscal year on April 1; Texas begins on September 1; and Alabama and Michigan start their fiscal years on October 1. Forty-eight states are enacting a new budget for fiscal 2022. Virginia and Wyoming, which both enacted two-year budgets for fiscal 2021 and fiscal 2022 in calendar year 2020, approved budget adjustments to their biennial budgets. Kentucky, which would normally have passed a two-year budget in calendar year 2020, passed a one-year budget only for fiscal 2021 due to revenue uncertainty created by COVID-19, and enacted a new budget for fiscal 2022 this year. Of the 48 states passing a new budget for fiscal 2022, 17 states are enacting a biennial budget for both fiscal 2022 and fiscal 2023.

Below is additional information on the states that have yet to enact a full-year budget for fiscal 2022:

- 1. **Massachusetts** The legislature finalized the budget of July 9, and the governor has ten days to act on the bill.
- 2. **Michigan** The state's fiscal year does not begin until October 1. The legislature is finalizing the budget.
- 3. **North Carolina** The Senate passed the budget on June 25 and the House is now considering the bill. State law allows spending to continue at current levels until a new budget is enacted.
- 4. **Oregon** The governor is completing acting on agency budget bills. The state is currently operating under a continuing resolution for the unsigned bills.

Please <u>click here</u> for links to proposed and enacted budgets, as well as prior budget summaries.

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