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**MISSISSIPPI REPLICATES IOWA AUDITOR SAND'S PUBLIC INNOVATIONS  
AND EFFICIENCIES (PIE) PROGRAM**

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Republican Mississippi State Auditor Shad White announced today his office is following Democratic Iowa State Auditor Rob Sand's lead and creating a Public Innovations and Efficiencies (PIE) program.

White's Office reports that he was "inspired" by Auditor Sand's PIE program.

"The across-the-aisle friendship and work between Auditor White and I shows what elected officials should put first: public service, not party," said Sand. "I'm humbled to share what we started in Iowa, but also excited to in turn copy innovations he encourages or uncovers in Mississippi."

Created by Sand in 2019, the PIE program provides advice, feedback, and recognition to government entities for their efforts to save taxpayer money through cost-cutting measures provided by the Auditor's Office. It also collects the entities' own innovative ideas, known as "PIE recipes," and in turn shares them with other government entities across Iowa.

Auditor Sand is taking the PIE program a step further by proposing a bill in the upcoming legislative session that would require the Iowa Auditor of State to distribute PIE recommendations to public entities and prepare an annual report on the PIE program.

For more information on the PIE program or to schedule an interview with Auditor Sand, contact [sonya.heitshusen@aos.iowa.gov](mailto:sonya.heitshusen@aos.iowa.gov).