

Town Meeting Highlights: Martha Re-Visits Herself

Interesting comparisons...

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I do not believe misery loves company, but it sometimes helps to know we're not alone in our troubles. See below for budget reductions occurring in neighboring states:

2009 Statewide Budget Reductions

<u>STATE</u>	<u>PERCENT OF GENERAL FUND</u>
Mississippi	5.2%
Alabama	22.2%
South Carolina	16.3%
Georgia	11.5%
Florida	22.2%
Tennessee	12.0%

National Average 14.9%

Seems a little like “hand-wringing” to us.

All Southern Miss constituents are seeking more and better information about what you are going to do about all this, Martha; posting excerpts from your Town Meeting is not helpful. Most were there or watched on a live feed; there are links to watch you in many locations. Leaders lead. Stop brooding about being questioned about your precious airplane. Take positive measures and stop being so aloof.