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Revised General Revenue Collections for August 2018 (Sales Tax Data Reported is Unaudited)

General Revenue (GR) collections for August 2018 were \$78.8 M (3.3%) over the estimates adopted by the General Revenue Estimating Conference (GR REC) on August 16, 2018.

After making adjustments to total Sales Tax collections for local taxes and distributions, audits, bad checks, and transfers to Sales Tax from the Communications Services Tax (CST), Sales Tax GR was \$18.3 M (0.9%) over estimate. Final Sales Tax Liability, the sum of all sales tax components (detailed below), was over estimate for the month by \$29.4 M (1.4%).

Three of the six Sales Tax components were over estimate for the month as follows: Business (over by \$29.8 M or 7.2%); Building (over by \$4.2 M or 3.0%); and Automobiles (over by \$1.1 M or 0.3%). The remaining three components were under estimate for the month as follows: Other Durables (under by \$2.2 M or 1.7%); Tourism (under by \$1.9 M or 0.4%); and Consumer Nondurables (under by \$1.6 M or 0.3%). Note that this Sales Tax report largely reflects activity that occurred in July.

In addition to Sales Tax, nearly all other sources that support GR were over estimate for the month of August. The largest surplus was in Corporate Income Tax (over by \$25.0 M or 69.1%); however, August is a small month for collections, representing just 1.5% of the annual estimate. Documentary Stamp Tax GR and Intangibles Taxes were over estimate for the month by \$16.9 M (17.2%) and \$5.5 M (18.1%), respectively. A portion of these overages can likely be attributed to a timing delay associated with the Department of Revenue's remittance systems being unavailable on July 30 and July 31 for necessary reprogramming to implement law changes. Some of the revenue that normally would have been remitted in July was not remitted until August when the systems came back online. The exact amount associated with the timing delay is unknown. Other Nonoperating Revenues were over estimate for the month by \$7.3 M (73.5%) primarily due to the timing of reimbursements associated with prior state expenditures. Other sources that were over estimate for the month include: Highway Safety Fees (over by \$3.1 M or 8.7%); GR Services Charges (over by \$2.0 M or 6.2%); Earnings on Investments (over by \$1.7 M or 13.7%); Corporate Filing Fees (over by \$1.1 M or 10.8%); Counties' Medicaid Share (over by \$0.7 M or 2.8%); Article V Fees (over by \$0.6 M or 8.8%); Other Taxes, Licenses, and Fees (over by \$0.5 M or 20.2%); Pari-Mutuel Taxes (over by \$0.2 M or 44.8%); Tobacco Tax (over by \$0.2 M or 1.4%); Severance Taxes (over by \$0.1 M or 60.9%); and Insurance Taxes (over by \$0.1 M or 0.3%).

Two sources were under estimate for the month of August. Indian Gaming revenues were \$9.2 M (14.5%) under estimate for the month. The state received one payment of \$54.5 M, which included a monthly payment of \$19.5 M associated with July activity, as well as a true-up payment of \$35.0 M associated with FY 2017-18 activity. The estimate for August was based on an anticipated monthly payment of \$28.2 M and a true-up payment of \$35.6 M. Beverage Taxes were also under estimate for the month by \$2.2 M or 11.7%.

Refunds were \$7.0 M (20.8%) under estimate for August. Refunds of Corporate Income Tax and Sales Tax were under estimate by \$7.1 M and \$1.4 M, respectively, whereas Insurance Premium Tax Refunds were over estimate by \$1.5 M. Other Refunds matched the estimate of \$0.1 M for the month. Because refunds reduce revenue, coming in under the estimate in Refunds increases the bottom-line Net GR.

In summary, Net GR collections for August were \$78.8 M over estimate for the month. The figures for August in the table below show the variance from monthly estimates that are based on the results of the estimating conference held August 16, 2018. Details of the estimates can be found at <http://edr.state.fl.us/Content>. Note that the listing of sources below has been rearranged to reflect each source's overall importance to GR.

Actual General Revenue Collections Compared to the August 16, 2018 Estimates

Month	August	September	October	November
Monthly Overage (millions)	78.8			
Year to Date Overage (millions - cumulative)	74.7			
Percent of Monthly Estimate Collected	103.3%			
Percent of Total Year Estimate Collected	15.7%			

AUGUST 2018 GENERAL REVENUE COLLECTIONS (\$ MILLIONS) BASED ON THE AUGUST 2018 REVENUE ESTIMATING CONFERENCE

	MONTH			FISCAL YEAR TO DATE				
	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	OVER/ UNDER ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	OVER/ UNDER ESTIMATE	PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL	PERCENT INCREASE/ DECREASE
	CURRENT MONTH	CURRENT MONTH		CURRENT YEAR	CURRENT YEAR			
SALES TAX COLLECTIONS	1,991.4	1,973.1	18.3	4,081.9	4,067.7	14.1	3,841.7	6.3%
CORPORATE INCOME TAX	61.2	36.2	25.0	152.9	127.9	25.0	100.9	51.5%
DOCUMENTARY STAMP TAX	115.3	98.4	16.9	220.6	203.7	16.9	194.2	13.6%
INSURANCE TAXES	49.8	49.7	0.1	91.7	91.5	0.1	80.5	13.8%
HIGHWAY SAFETY FEES	38.7	35.6	3.1	92.2	89.1	3.1	90.7	1.6%
SERVICE CHARGES	34.1	32.1	2.0	96.2	94.3	2.0	93.5	2.9%
INTANGIBLES TAXES	35.7	30.2	5.5	71.1	65.6	5.5	67.3	5.6%
CORPORATE FILING FEES	10.9	9.8	1.1	28.1	27.1	1.1	24.6	14.1%
INDIAN GAMING	54.5	63.8	(9.2)	74.0	83.3	(9.2)	85.4	-13.2%
COUNTIES' MEDICAID SHARE	25.6	24.9	0.7	49.8	49.1	0.7	49.4	0.9%
BEVERAGE TAXES	16.5	18.7	(2.2)	54.9	57.1	(2.2)	55.0	-0.1%
TOBACCO TAX	15.3	15.1	0.2	18.5	18.3	0.2	19.4	-4.7%
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS	14.0	12.3	1.7	30.7	29.0	1.7	25.8	19.1%
OTHER NONOPERATING REVENUES	17.2	9.9	7.3	42.2	34.9	7.3	28.3	49.3%
ARTICLE V FEES AND TRANSFERS	7.9	7.3	0.6	17.6	17.0	0.6	18.6	-5.3%
OTHER TAXES LICENSES AND FEES	3.0	2.5	0.5	6.9	6.4	0.5	6.0	14.1%
PARIMUTUEL TAXES	0.7	0.5	0.2	1.4	1.2	0.2	1.4	4.9%
SEVERANCE TAXES	0.2	0.1	0.1	2.9	2.8	0.1	2.5	14.8%
TOTAL REVENUE	2,492.0	2,420.2	71.8	5,133.7	5,066.0	67.7	4,785.3	7.3%
LESS REFUNDS	26.8	33.8	(7.0)	61.7	68.8	(7.0)	65.0	-5.0%
NET REVENUE	2,465.3	2,386.4	78.8	5,072.0	4,997.3	74.7	4,720.3	7.5%