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General Revenue Collections for December 2002

General Revenue (GR) collections for December were \$9.5 M over the November 2002 estimate. (Estimates from that conference are available at http://www.state.fl.us/edr/.) Preliminary Sales Tax was under estimate by \$15.4 M for the month. Most other sources were close to estimates, with

General Revenue Collections

Month: \$9.5 M over the November 2002 estimate \$11.3 M over the March 2002 estimate adjusted for law changes

<u>Year</u>: \$20.0 M under the November 2002 estimate \$200.0 M over the March 2002 estimate adjusted for law changes

October Lottery Transfers to DOE

Month: \$75.8 million, \$4.0 million above Oct 2002 estimate Year: \$391.2 million, \$6.2 million above Oct 2002 estimate \$30.3 million above Jan 2002 estimate Estate Tax, Corporate Income Tax, Other Taxes and Fees, and Refunds providing the largest variances.

Estate Tax received one very large payment, coming in \$21.1 M over estimate for the month, and remaining virtually on estimate for the year. Corporate Income Tax (CIT) was over estimate by \$9.7 M, standing at \$7.7 M over for the year to date. Although Documentary Stamp Tax collections now stand \$34.7 M over estimate, the transfer to GR was made early, due to the holidays. Because of the early transfer, Documentary Stamp Tax GR was only \$0.3 M over estimate for the month. Next month should see Documentary Stamp Tax to GR come in over estimate as we catch up. Other Taxes and Fees, a large number of very small sources from virtually every department, was under estimate by \$5.1 M. funds exceeded the estimate by \$10.2 M (mostly in Corporate Income Tax refunds), which creases Net GR.

Total collections in Intangibles Taxes came in over estimate again, due to continuing very strong real estate sales and refinancing activity.

To summarize, preliminary Net GR collections for December were \$9.5 M over estimate for the month and \$20.0 M under estimate for the fiscal year. All estimates in the table below are based on the General Revenue Estimating Conference that met on November 15, 2002. A full set of the November FY 2002-03 estimates is available at http://www.state.fl.us/ edr/.

		R GENERAL RE' ASED ON NOVI		ECTIONS (\$ MILL	JONS)			
	(D)	MONTH	LIVIDER 2002	FISCAL YEAR TO DATE				
	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	OVER/	CURRENT	CURRENT	OVER/	PRIOR	PERCENT
	CURRENT	CURRENT	UNDER	YEAR	YEAR	UNDER	YEAR	INCREASE/
	MONTH	MONTH	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	DECREASE
SALES TAX COLLECTIONS	1,205.3	1,220.7	(15.4)	7,005.9	7,010.2	(4.3)	6,787.7	3.22%
BEVERAGE TAXES	48.0	47.9	0.1	255.4	253.0	2.4	249.1	2.53%
CORPORATE INCOME TAX	136.8	127.1	9.7	477.6	469.9	7.7	479.2	-0.34%
DOCUMENTARY STAMP TAX	65.6	65.3	0.3	320.1	329.3	(9.2)	224.2	42.76%
TOBACCO TAX	24.5	23.7	0.8	116.2	116.7	(0.5)	117.7	-1.26%
INSURANCE PREMIUM TAX	1.0	0.2	0.8	102.6	103.1	(0.5)	91.9	11.58%
PARIMUTUEL TAXES	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.3	7.2	0.0	4.4	66.76%
INTANGIBLES TAXES ESTATE TAX INTEREST EARNINGS DRIVERS LICENSE FEES	33.0	27.5	5.5	206.3	196.3	10.0	187.1	10.26%
	66.9	45.8	21.1	345.8	340.3	5.6	438.4	-21.12%
	18.1	18.0	0.1	134.0	134.6	(0.7)	126.7	5.72%
	3.6	3.9	(0.3)	26.3	25.5	0.7	30.0	-12.46%
MEDICAL HOSPITAL FEES	9.9	10.7	(0.8)	64.9	69.8	(4.9)	65.9	-1.59%
AUTOMOBILE TITLE FEES	2.8	2.5	0.3	14.1	13.4	0.6	10.1	39.63%
SEVERANCE TAXES SERVICE CHARGES CORPORATION TRUST FUND FEES OTHER TAXES LICENSES & FEES	0.3	0.5	(0.2)	6.0	6.2	(0.2)	6.4	-5.55%
	22.7	20.1	2.6	181.6	183.7	(2.1)	161.4	12.47%
	0.3	0.3	(0.0)	28.4	28.2	0.1	25.9	9.43%
	15.7	20.8	(5.1)	98.8	106.9	(8.1)	85.5	15.53%
TOTAL REVENUE	1,654.6	1,635.0	19.6	261.0	9,394.3	(3.3)	9,091.6	3.29%
LESS REFUNDS	85.7	75.5	10.2		244.4	16.7	189.7	37.61%
NET REVENUE	1,568.9	1,559.5	9.4		9,149.9	(20.0)	8,901.9	2.56%