#### **General Fund Revenues**

eneral Fund revenue collections for the month ended April 2010 totaled \$2.92 billion, which was \$390 million, or 11.8%, less than anticipated. Fiscal year-to-date collections total \$22.8 billion, which is \$1.1 billion, or 4.6%, below estimate. The monthly revenue shortfall includes \$99 million attributable to table games authorization fees that were not paid in April; however, we anticipate receiving \$165 million of the \$196.5 million estimated table games fees by fiscal year's end.

Cumulative revenue collections through April 2010 are \$1.18 billion above cumulative collections for the same time last year; however, this amount includes one-time

transfers such as those from the Rainy Day Fund, HCPRA, etc. Total tax revenues are actually \$962.9 million below tax collections this time last year.

Corporation tax collections were below estimate by \$147.4 million, or 25.2%. The majority of the corporation tax deficit resulted from weaker than expected annual tax payments due on April 15 for the 2009 tax year.

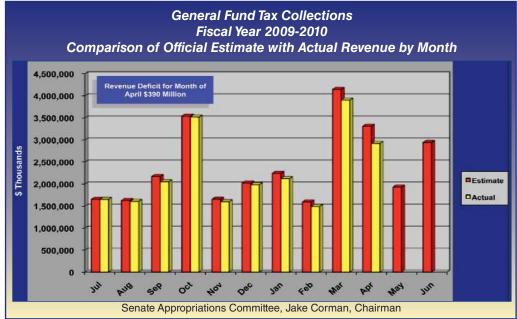
Personal income tax collections were below estimate by \$128.6 million, or 8.4%, for the month. PIT from employer withholding was \$29.1 million above estimate for the month. PIT payments on annual tax returns were \$133.8 million, or 18.7%, below estimate. Estimated quarterly payments due for the 2010 tax year were \$24 million, or 12.3%, below estimate for the month.

Sales and use tax collections were below estimate for the month by \$26.7 million, or 3.6%. Despite the shortfall, it is encouraging that April 2010 sales and use tax collections were \$20 million more than SUT collections in April 2009. For much of this year, FY 2009-

10 SUT collections have actually been less than SUT collections during the same month of the prior year.

Cigarette tax collections were \$8.6 million above estimate for the month, and they are \$45.2 million, or 6.1%, ahead of estimate for the year to date. As you will recall, the cigarette tax was increased from \$1.35 per pack to \$1.60 per pack, and the tax base was expanded to include little cigars in November 2009.

Motor License Fund collections were \$5.2 million below estimate for the month of April. The Motor License Fund is \$15.6 million, or 0.7%, below estimate for the year.



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# The Monthly Report

#### **FMAP Extension and the Impact on States**

he ongoing congressional debate on Capitol Hill over whether to provide a six-month extension to the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentages (FMAP) for states could have some major consequences on state budgets for the upcoming fiscal year. The

\$25.5 billion extension of provisions in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) would cover the period between Jan. 1, 2011 and June 20, 2011, which represents the second half of FY 2010-2011 for nearly all states. Increasing demands that any

"jobs," supplemental appropriations or emergency legislation be offset with revenue adjustments or spending reductions has emerged as the dominant factor in potential passage of H.R. 4213, the FMAP extension bill, and related legislation.

### **Tax Amnesty**

Pennsylvania authorized (under Act 48, signed into law on Oct. 9, 2009) a Tax Amnesty period from April 26 to June 18, 2010.

During this limited, 54-day timeframe, the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue will waive 100 percent of penalties and half of the interest for anyone who pays his/her delinquent state taxes.

As an incentive for individuals and businesses operating under the tax radar to come forward, the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue will only hold them responsible for filing and paying back taxes and partial interest dating back five years.

Individuals, businesses and other entities with Pennsyl-

vania tax delinquencies as of June 30, 2009, are generally eligible to participate in the Tax Amnesty Program.

More than 62 percent of the back taxes eligible for PA Tax Amnesty are owed by businesses in delinquent Pennsylvania corporation taxes, employer withholding and sales tax. Pennsylvania personal income tax delinquencies account for 33 percent of the total.

Individuals and businesses that owe back taxes are encouraged to visit www.PATaxPayUp.com. In addition to the online PA Tax Amnesty application, the website answers commonly asked Tax Amnesty questions and provides step-by-step application instructions in English and Spanish.

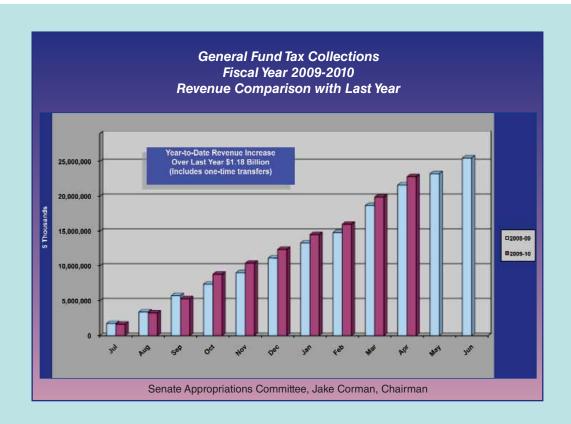
Individuals must apply for PA Tax Amnesty online; no

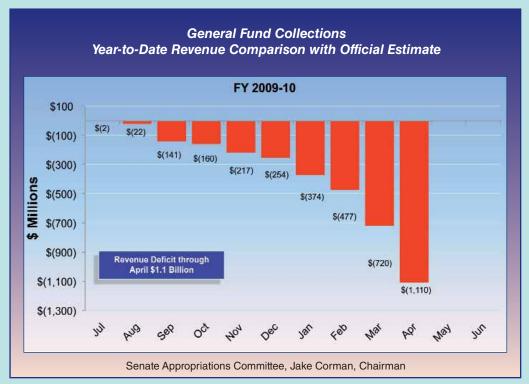
paper applications are available.

This is the first time in 14 years that Pennsylvania is offering a Tax Amnesty program to boost collections and help balance the state budget. The last tax amnesty program was held from October 1995 to January 1996; the state collected \$93 million from 63,000 taxpayers during a 90-day period.

A toll-free hotline and call center featuring extended customer service hours is dedicated to the PA Tax Amnesty program. Taxpayers may call 1-877-34-PAYUP (1-877-347-2987) from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays May 1, May 8, June 5 and June 12.

For more information visit www.PATaxPayUp.com.







## **Appropriations Committee Monthly Revenue Report**

Fiscal Year 2009-10  Senate Appropriations Committee Monthly Revenue Report  (5 thousands)															
								REVENUE SOURCES	YTD FY 2008-09	April 2010 Actual	April 2010 Estimated	Surplus/ (Deficit)	YTD Actual	YTD Estimated	Surplus/ (Deficit)
								TOTAL - GENERAL FUND  TOTAL - NON-TAX REVENUE  TOTAL - TAX REVENUE	21,658,987 43,361 21,615,625	2,920,273 165,937 2,754,336	3,310,300 262,300 3,048,000	(390,027) (96,363) (293,664)	22,842,057 2,189,370 20,652,688	23,951,700 2,293,000 21,658,700	(1,109,643 (103,630 (1,006,012
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TOTAL - Corporation Taxes	4,341,401	436,947	584,300	(147,353)	3,952,092	4,382,700	(430,608								
Accelerated Deposits	6,598	46,188	0	46,188	52,138	0	52,138								
Corp. Net Income	1,634,133	216,106	296,700	(80,594)	1,343,511	1,442,000	(98,489								
Cap, Stock & Franchise	670,696	105,969	216,100	(110,131)	567,809	739,700	(171,891								
Gross Receipts	1,380,375	2,963	2,600	363	1,279,097	1,480,800	(201,703								
PURTA	17,881	23,652	5,600	18,052	25,317	8,200	17,117								
Insurance Premiums	423,487	37,664	58,600	(20,936)	456,115	503,500	(47,385								
Financial Institutions	195,425	1,638	1,100	538	213,897	195,500	18,397								
Other Selective Bus. Taxes	12,806	2,767	3,600	(833)	14,208	13,000	1,208								
TOTAL - Consumption Taxes	7,716,692	827,027	844,400	(17,373)	7,630,645	7,932,700	(302,055								
Sales and Use	6,852,553	708,536	735,200	(26,664)	6,599,938	6,942,800	(342,862								
General (net of transfers)	6,063,477	611,704	647,000	(35,296)	5,795,700	6,174,100	(378,400								
Motor Vehicle Sales	789,076	96,832	88,200	8,632	804,238	768,700	35,538								
Cigarette Tax	621,658	94,139	85,500	8,639	781,782	736,600	45,182								
Malt Beverage	21,365	2,225	2,000	225	21,801	21,600	201								
Liquor	221,116	22,127	21,700	427	227,124	231,700	(4,576								
TOTAL - Other Taxes	9,557,533	1,490,362	1,619,300	(128,938)	9,069,951	9,343,300	(273,349								
Personal Income	8,658,889	1,397,978	1,526,600	(128,622)	8,217,473	8,482,000	(264,527								
Withholding	6,553,248	646,709	617,600	29,109	6,415,665	6,497,500	(81,835								
Non-Withholding	2,105,641	751,270	909,000	(157,730)	1,801,808	1,984,500	(182,692								
Realty Transfer	248,719	23,861	19,300	4,561	235,790	227,200	8,590								
Inheritance & Estate	639,146	69,139	67,300	1,839	614,795	626,000	(11,205								
Minor & Repealed	10,778	(617)	6,100	(6,717)	1,892	8,100	(6,208								
TOTAL - MOTOR LICENSE FUND	2,208,788	301,494	306,700	(6,700)	2,231,060	2,246,710	(11,65)								
TOTAL - Liquid Fuels Taxes	966,232	80,744	85,490	(4,746)	968,889	975,680									
Liquid Fuels	436,549	17,198	38,140	(20,942)	443,726	457,830	(14,104								
Fuels	125,603	13,791	13,190	601	120,036	125,840	(5,804								
Motor Carriers/IFTA	30,184	2,601	2,070	531	30,849	30,930	(81								
Alternative Fuels	175	16	10	6	181	170	11								
Oil Company Franchise	373,720	47,138	32,080	15,058	374,097	360,910	13,187								
TOTAL - Licenses, Fees & Other	1,242,556	220,750	221,210	(0.00)	1,262,171	1,271,030	(8.80)								
Licenses and Fees	716,331	82,877	87,180	(4,303)	667,748	686,850	(19,102								
Other Motor Receipts	526,225	137,873	134,030	3,843	594,424	584,180	10,244								