

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE  
ECONOMIC OUTLOOK  
AND  
REVENUE ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**FISCAL YEARS 2017 AND 2018**

**JANUARY 13, 2017**





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- Sen. Shawn Keough*
- Sen. Steve Bair*
- Sen. Cliff Bayer*
- Sen. Dean Mortimer*
- Sen. Fred Martin*
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- Sen. Grant Burgoyne*
- Sen. Mark Nye*
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To the 64th Idaho Legislature, 1st Regular Session:

We have completed making our overall assessment of Governor Otter’s General Fund revenue projections for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, 2018, and 2019. Idaho’s Constitution, Article VII, Section 11 requires balancing the state’s appropriations and expenditures with its revenues. Accordingly, it is this Committee’s role and mission to provide advice to you about the reasonableness of such revenue projections. The Committee reviewed and analyzed business, tax, financial data, and trends relating to the state’s economy, and obtained testimony from economic, business, and industry experts regarding those aspects of the state’s economy and revenues of which they have knowledge.

Governor Otter’s General Fund revenue projections for FY 2017, FY 2018, and FY 2019 compared to the Committee’s median projections are as follows in millions of dollars:

	<u>FY 2017</u>	<u>FY 2018</u>	<u>FY 2019</u>
Governor Otter’s projections	\$ 3,354.5	\$ 3,507.4	\$ 3,677.5
Committee’s median projections	\$ 3,344.9	\$ 3,524.2	\$ 3,718.8
Amount and percent over/(under) Gov. projection	(\$9.7) (0.3%)	\$16.8 0.5%	\$41.3 1.1%

Attachments 1 and 2 provide the detail for all eighteen committee members and three of the presenters.

After careful consideration of expert testimony from economists, business leaders, and industry spokesmen regarding the status of Idaho’s current economy and the economic outlook for the next eighteen months, and careful review of the Governor’s fiscal year 2017 and 2018 projections, we recommend to the Senate and House of Representatives Leadership and to the Co-Chairs of the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee total General Fund Revenues available for appropriation to be **\$3,354.5** million dollars for fiscal year 2017 and **\$3,507.4** million dollars for fiscal year 2018.

Attachment 3 provides a historical comparison of projections and actual collections.

Respectfully,

Representative Marc Gibbs

Senator Dan Johnson

**2017 Joint Legislative  
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General Fund Revenue Projections**

Sorted by FY 2018 Estimate  
Pessimistic to Optimistic

Participant	\$3,183.7 Millions of Dollars			
	FY 2017 Estimate	FY 2017 Change	FY 2018 Estimate	FY 2018 Change
Rep. Palmer	\$3,327.0	4.5%	\$3,476.7	4.5%
Rep. Collins	\$3,337.9	4.8%	\$3,493.0	4.6%
Rep. Gibbs	\$3,337.9	4.8%	\$3,493.0	4.6%
Rep. Perry	\$3,341.8	5.0%	\$3,498.5	4.7%
Sen. Bayer	\$3,336.5	4.8%	\$3,500.0	4.9%
Associated Taxpayers	\$3,335.6	4.8%	\$3,501.0	5.0%
Sen. Bair	\$3,342.1	5.0%	\$3,505.0	4.9%
Sen. Burgoyne	\$3,339.7	4.9%	\$3,506.7	5.0%
<b>Governor's Forecast</b>	<b>\$3,354.5</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>\$3,507.4</b>	<b>4.6%</b>
Sen. Martin	\$3,342.9	5.0%	\$3,516.7	5.2%
Rep. Erpelding	\$3,330.3	4.6%	\$3,518.3	5.6%
Committee Average	\$3,347.6	5.1%	\$3,523.6	5.3%
<b>* Committee Median</b>	<b>\$3,344.9</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>\$3,524.2</b>	<b>5.4%</b>
Sen. Mortimer	\$3,358.8	5.5%	\$3,530.1	5.1%
Sen. Keough	\$3,365.2	5.7%	\$3,533.4	5.0%
Rep. Clow	\$3,357.2	5.4%	\$3,539.6	5.4%
Sen. Anthon	\$3,355.6	5.4%	\$3,543.5	5.6%
Sen. Johnson	\$3,358.8	5.5%	\$3,543.5	5.5%
Sen. Nye	\$3,363.2	5.6%	\$3,544.0	5.4%
Rep. Youngblood	\$3,356.2	5.4%	\$3,551.7	5.8%
Rep. Jordan	\$3,346.8	5.1%	\$3,565.0	6.5%
Rep. Thompson	\$3,359.1	5.5%	\$3,566.0	6.2%
Universities	\$3,353.8	5.3%	\$3,569.4	6.4%
Tax Commission	\$3,375.3	6.0%	\$3,602.2	6.7%
Range of Participants	\$48.3		\$125.5	
			\$188.2	
			\$300.7	

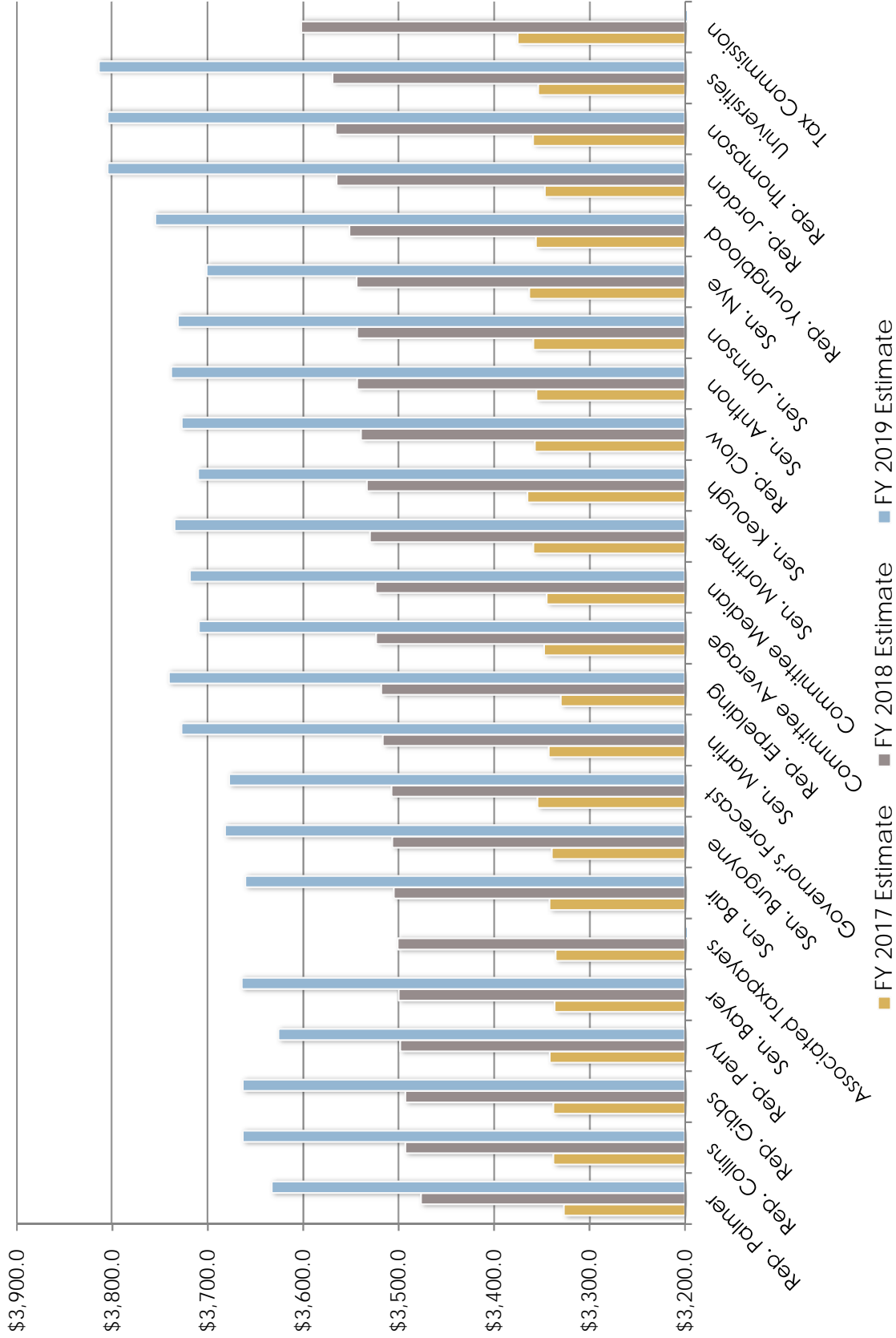
\* The Committee Median is the average of the ninth and tenth committee members' estimates in the ordered set of eighteen members.

Diff. Com. Median from Governor (\$9.7)  
Percent Diff. from Gov Forecast (0.3%)

\$16.8  
0.5%

\$41.3  
1.1%

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# Historical Comparison of Original Projections to Actual Collections

## Line Graph

