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GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS INCREASE ROAD FUND RECEIPTS DECREASE IN MARCH 2016 General Fund receipts increased 10.1 percent Road Fund receipts decreased 7.4 percent

FRANKFORT, KY (**April 11, 2016**) - The Office of State Budget Director reported today that March's General Fund receipts grew 10.1 percent compared to March of last year, an increase of \$80.2 million compared to last March. Total revenues for the month were \$870.1 million, compared to \$789.9 million during March 2015. Receipts have now grown 5.0 percent for the first nine months of FY16. March collections mark the eighth month in FY16 in which revenues have increased. The lone exception was November when revenues declined 3.9 percent. For the quarter, total General Fund collections increased 7.2 percent. Growth rates for the three quarters have been 4.5, 3.5 and 7.2 percent.

The Consensus Forecasting Group's official revenue estimate calls for 3.2 percent revenue growth for the 2016 fiscal year. To meet the estimate, receipts can decline 1.2 percent over the last three months of FY16.

Road Fund receipts for March totaled \$126.6 million, a 7.4 percent decrease compared to March 2015 levels. Year-to-date receipts for FY16 have decreased 5.5 percent.

State Budget Director John Chilton noted that growth in General Fund revenue continues to be robust, but ending the year with a revenue surplus is not a certainty.

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"Growth in General Fund revenue collections was broadly-based across the major taxes and that is a sign of a strong, healthy economy. However, the fourth quarter last year had exceptional growth of 8.6 percent, including the two largest monthly collection totals on record, which will create a formidable headwind for growth in receipts during the April through June period of 2016. As always, we will continue to monitor the situation and give an updated outlook as of the end of April."

Among the major accounts:

- Sales and use tax receipts increased 8.7 percent for the month and have grown 6.3 percent year-to-date.
- Corporation income tax receipts grew 41.0 percent as a positive balance on declarations offset a decline in net returns. For the year, collections have increased 8.1 percent.
- Individual income tax collections grew 12.9 percent in March as all three of the primary components of the tax increased compared to last year. Additionally, refund payments have been slower this year as the Department of Revenue implements additional security and fraud analysis tools to protect taxpayers. Collections have grown 7.6 percent through the first nine months of FY16.
- Property tax collections grew 0.9 percent and have grown 2.6 percent year-to-date.
- Cigarette tax receipts increased 10.2 percent and have grown 3.1 percent year-to-date.
- Coal severance tax receipts reached a record low for the third consecutive month, declining 21.7 in March. Collections have decreased 29.4 percent through the first nine months of the fiscal year.

Road Fund receipts fell 7.4 percent in March 2016 with collections of \$126.6 million, \$10.2 million less than last March. Through the first nine months of FY16, receipts have decreased 5.5 percent. For the third quarter, total Road Fund collections fell 5.6 percent as revenue growth has declined for five consecutive quarters. Growth rates for the three quarters this year are -8.3, -2.3 and -5.6 percent. The official Road Fund revenue estimate calls for revenues to decline 5.3 percent for the fiscal year. Based on year-to-date tax collections, revenues can fall 4.7 percent for the remainder of FY16 and still meet the estimate. Among the accounts, motor fuels fell 3.2 percent due to a decline in the tax rate, motor vehicle usage revenue decreased 4.0 percent, and license and privilege receipts fell 20.1 percent.

KENTUCKY STATE GOVERNMENT REVENUE <u>1. GENERAL FUND REVENUE</u>

	MARCH			JULY THROUGH MARCH		
	<u>2016</u>	2015	<u>% Change</u>	FY 2016	FY 2015	<u>% Change</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$870,117,908	\$789,949,466	10.1%	\$7,513,983,645	\$7,157,257,369	5.0%
Tax Receipts	\$846,117,588	\$766,596,913	10.4%	\$7,267,636,303	\$6,904,267,855	5.3%
Sales and Gross Receipts	\$311,099,015	\$289,215,038	7.6%	\$2,999,623,166	\$2,837,823,344	5.7%
Beer Consumption	434,153	495,068	-12.3%	4,759,132	4,525,323	5.2%
Beer Wholesale	3,630,399	3,997,028	-9.2%	45,079,049	42,696,675	5.6%
Cigarette Distilled Spirits Case Sales	18,738,304	17,005,189	10.2% 3.2%	166,891,077	161,885,453	3.1% 6.5%
Distilled Spirits Case Sales	9,505 897,611	9,210 862,049	3.2 <i>%</i> 4.1%	105,358 9,899,406	98,970 9,292,295	6.5%
Distilled Spirits Wholesale	2,637,458	2,426,522	8.7%	29,673,669	26,924,594	10.2%
Insurance Premium	21,640,680	21,806,306	-0.8%	97,355,660	99.708.687	-2.4%
Pari-Mutuel	537,132	256,365	109.5%	2,771,728	2,042,093	35.7%
Race Track Admission	0	0		190,880	148,898	28.2%
Sales and Use	254,175,132	233,730,714	8.7%	2,563,654,091	2,412,841,105	6.3%
Wine Consumption	219,114	227,781	-3.8%	2,428,321	2,211,205	9.8%
Wine Wholesale	1,231,723	1,240,053	-0.7%	12,752,229	12,274,284	3.9%
Telecommunications Tax	5,295,321	5,286,019	0.2%	48,335,299	47,194,517	2.4%
Other Tobacco Products	1,651,166	1,872,410	-11.8%	15,719,361	15,973,988	-1.6%
Floor Stock Tax	1,316	324	305.9%	7,906	5,255	50.4%
License and Privilege	\$99,773,830	\$92,053,133	8.4%	\$108,907,085	\$99,428,885	9.5%
Alc. Bev. License Suspension	36,150	31,817	13.6%	373,501	270,972	37.8%
Corporation License	70,226	70,098	0.2%	143,587	378,609	-62.1%
Corporation Organization	0	0		91,685	68,291	34.3%
Occupational Licenses	32,256	22,101	45.9%	137,427	108,634	26.5%
Race Track License Bank Franchise Tax	0 99,579,468	0 91,868,671	 8.4%	276,150 107,403,136	241,291 97,857,891	14.4% 9.8%
Driver License Fees	55,730	60,446	-7.8%	481.599	503,197	-4.3%
Diver License rees	55,750	00,440	-7.0%	401,399	505,197	-4.5%
Natural Resources	\$10,001,285	\$13,369,633	-25.2%	\$120,273,486	\$170,715,890	-29.5%
Coal Severance	8,585,689	10,959,759	-21.7%	97,573,085	138,170,965	-29.4%
Oil Production	246,058	365,183	-32.6%	3,673,221	8,158,648	-55.0%
Minerals Severance	854,250	816,426	4.6%	13,640,809	11,374,395	19.9%
Natural Gas Severance	315,289	1,228,264	-74.3%	5,386,371	13,011,882	-58.6%
Income	\$394,114,940	\$340,888,966	15.6%	\$3,465,001,249	\$3,236,815,884	7.0%
Corporation	75,399,649	53,466,203	41.0%	319,540,982	295,565,549	8.1%
Individual	297,732,437	263,707,275	12.9%	3,029,783,196	2,816,126,589	7.6%
Limited Liability Entity	20,982,855	23,715,488	-11.5%	115,677,071	125,123,746	-7.5%
Property	\$25,853,273	\$25,628,214	0.9%	\$517,784,578	\$504,720,865	2.6%
Building & Loan Association	0	0		(11,881)	(498,150)	
General - Real	3,571,506	3,963,612	-9.9%	262,503,007	253,560,854	3.5%
General - Tangible Omitted & Delinquent	18,160,160	15,441,755	17.6% -21.8%	190,096,125	183,824,586	3.4%
Public Service	3,481,511 343,565	4,452,530 1,474,965	-21.8% -76.7%	11,448,999 52,207,623	13,212,998 53,133,699	-13.4% -1.7%
Other	296,531	295,353	0.4%	1,540,705	1,486,877	3.6%
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Inheritance Tax	\$2,901,040	\$3,270,013	-11.3%	\$37,374,919	\$36,152,635	3.4%
Miscellaneous	\$2,374,204	\$2,171,916	9.3%	\$18,671,820	\$18,610,353	0.3%
Legal Process	1,515,442	1,383,777	9.5%	11,067,332	11,477,737	-3.6%
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Other	10,207	3,915	160.7%	30,345	32,858	-7.6%
Nontax Receipts	\$23,222,185	\$23,302,457	-0.3%	\$241,738,956	\$251,758,527	-4.0%
Departmental Fees	2,222,395	2,869,340	-22.5%	14,274,542	14,175,624	0.7%
PSC Assessment Fee	415	(1,343)		10,868,823	14,696,059	-26.0%
Fines & Forfeitures	2,207,772	2,223,753	-0.7%	15,732,538	16,954,458	-7.2%
Income on Investments	(58,861)	(67,903)		(639,239)	(583,814)	
Lottery	19,000,000	18,000,000	5.6%	169,278,429	165,000,000	2.6%
Sale of NOx Credits	0	0			27,594	-100.0%
Miscellaneous	(149,536)	278,610		32,223,864	41,488,606	-22.3%
Redeposit of State Funds	\$778,135	\$50,096	1453.3%	\$4,608,385	\$1,230,987	274.4%
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	<u>2016</u>	2015	<u>% Change</u>	FY 2016	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>% Change</u>
TOTAL STATE ROAD FUND	\$126,648,959	\$136,785,969	-7.4%	\$1,099,451,804	\$1,163,143,605	-5.5%
Tax Receipts-	\$124,808,608	\$134,046,610	-6.9%	\$1,081,767,933	\$1,143,158,922	-5.4%
Sales and Gross Receipts	\$102,986,094	\$106,746,976	-3.5%	\$918,285,630	\$985,216,225	-6.8%
Motor Fuels Taxes	60,213,895	62,186,182	-3.2%	557,439,790	661,989,899	-15.8%
Motor Vehicle Usage	42,772,199	44,560,794	-4.0%	360,845,840	323,226,326	11.6%
License and Privilege	\$21,822,514	\$27,299,634	-20.1%	\$163,482,303	\$157,942,696	3.5%
Motor Vehicles	18,838,376	19,707,792	-4.4%	78,953,687	75,216,043	5.0%
Motor Vehicle Operators	1,451,080	1,167,242	24.3%	12,176,855	11,977,179	1.7%
Weight Distance	774,995	5,728,117	-86.5%	61,513,964	60,266,368	2.1%
Truck Decal Fees	(120)	350		39,300	38,748	1.4%
Other Special Fees	758,183	696,133	8.9%	10,798,496	10,444,358	3.4%
Nontax Receipts	\$2,198,360	\$2,672,482	-17.7%	\$17,100,077	\$16,664,864	2.6%
Departmental Fees	1,694,437	2,006,358	-15.5%	14,737,786	12,991,690	13.4%
In Lieu of Traffic Fines	37,295	34,823	7.1%	311,279	354,004	-12.1%
Income on Investments	364,619	600,398	-39.3%	1,475,155	2,575,384	-42.7%
Miscellaneous	102,009	30,903	230.1%	575,857	743,787	-22.6%
Redeposit of State Funds	(\$358,008)	\$66,877		\$583,794	\$3,319,819	-82.4%

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