# Revenue Estimating Conference Article V Fees & Transfers November 15, 2010 Executive Summary

The Revenue Estimating Conference for Article V Fees and Transfers was held Monday, November 15, 2010. Proposed revenue forecasts were provided by the Legislative Office of Economic and Demographic Research, the Executive Office of the Governor, the Office of the State Courts Administrator and the Clerks of Court Operations Corporation. Actual revenue collections for the first third of FY 2010-11 were used, along with events occurring during the period to adjust the revenue base estimate for FY 2010-11.

The Conference discussed several economic variables that have direct bearing on the new forecast. For example, although the number of Florida mortgages in various stages of default continues to be very high, the number of foreclosure filings during the first quarter of FY 2010-11 continued at a level similar to the lower level experienced in the final quarter of FY 2009-10. In addition, although data is incomplete at present, there is an indication that October foreclosure filings may be the lowest since the beginning of the economic downturn, primarily in response to the much publicized "Robo-Signing Scandal" recently making the news. As a result, foreclosure revenues were decreased in FY 2010-11 in recognition of the continued lower level of foreclosure filings in the first quarter and in anticipation of a temporary dip in filings resulting from the scandal. However, the higher number of filings is expected to resume in the second half of FY 2010-11 and then climb in the out years due to the high number of mortgages in various stages of default.

Circuit civil case filings were down a little more than expected during the first third of FY 2010-11, resulting in a decrease in those revenues over the forecast period. In addition, Clerks of the Court fines, fees and charges were similarly reduced to correspond to the decreases in foreclosure and circuit civil case filings.

Overall, for FY 2010-11, the forecast for the State Court Revenue Trust Fund is reduced by \$23.5 million, the Clerk of Court Trust Fund by \$1.5 million and the General Revenue Fund by \$1.5 million. For FY 2011-12, the forecast for the State Court Revenue Trust Fund is increased by \$2.2 million and the General Revenue Fund by \$0.8 million, while the Clerk of Court Trust Fund remains constant compared to the previous estimate. State Court Revenue Trust Fund, Clerk of Court Trust Fund and General Revenues continue above the previous forecast for both FY 2012-13 and 2013-

## ARTICLE V REVENUE ESTIMATING CONFERENCE 11/15/10

#### Variables:

- 1. Probate
- 2. Circuit Other
- 3. Circuit Family
- 4. Circuit Foreclosure
- 5. Counterclaim
- 6. Appellate
- 7. County Civil
- 8. Fines/Fees/Charges
- 9. Other Traffic
- 10. Allocated Traffic
- 11. Adjudication
- 12. Miscellaneous

#### **Funds:**

- 1. GR General Revenue
- 2. COCTF Clerks of the Court Trust Fund
- 3. SCRTF –State Courts Revenue Trust Fund
- **4.** MATF Mediation and Arbitration Trust Fund

#### **Other Funds**

- 1. DFSATF Department of Financial Services Administrative Trust Fund
- 2. CETF Court Education Trust Fund
- 3. **PDRTF** Public Defenders Revenue Trust Fund
- **4. SARTF** State Attorneys Revenue Trust Fund
- 5. **BSCITF** Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund
- 6. ACCTF Additional Court Costs Trust Fund
- 7. EMSTF Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund
- 8. **DVTF** Domestic Violence Trust Fund
- 9. **DHTF** Displaced Homemaker Trust Fund
- 10. CWTF Child Welfare Trust Fund
- 11. AWCTF Audit and Warrant Clearing Trust Fund

#### **Revenue Forecast by Variable (millions)**

Fiscal Year	Estimate	Probate	Circuit Other	Circuit Family	Circuit Foreclosure	Counter- claim	Appellate	County Civil	Fines/Fees/ Charges	Other Traffic*	Allocated Traffic	Adjudication	Misc.	TOTAL
2009-10	Actual	7.3	71.1	15.8	340.1	7.2	0.4	24.7	544.2	37.7	43.8	5.0	5.0	1,102.3
2010-11	OLD	7.0	68.1	15.2	283.1	6.5	0.7	24.2	568.5	37.7	43.8	5.0	4.9	1,064.7
2010-11	EDR	7.0	68.1	14.7	270.4	6.5	0.7	24.2	566.4	37.7	43.8	5.0	4.9	1,049.4
2010-11	EOG	6.3	64.0	14.7	251.4	6.5	0.7	24.3	566.4	38.2	40.4	5.4	4.5	1,022.8
2010-11	DPT	7.0	68.1	14.7	252.3	6.5	0.7	24.2	562.2	37.7	-	5.0	4.9	983.3
2010-11	NEW	7.0	64.0	14.7	260.9	6.5	0.7	24.2	566.4	39.7	43.8	5.0	4.9	1,037.8
2011-12	OLD	6.9	64.7	15.4	295.9	6.4	0.7	23.7	560.4	37.7	43.8	5.0	4.8	1,065.4
2011-12	EDR	6.9	64.7	14.9	295.9	6.4	0.7	23.7	559.2	37.7	43.8	5.0	4.8	1,063.7
2011-12	EOG	6.1	60.8	14.9	305.8	6.7	0.7	23.8	560.6	38.2	40.4	5.4	4.4	1,067.8
2011-12	DPT	6.9	64.7	14.9	307.4	6.4	0.7	23.7	556.8	37.7	-	5.0	4.8	1,029.1
2011-12	NEW	6.9	60.8	14.9	300.9	6.6	0.7	23.7	559.9	40.1	43.8	5.0	4.8	1,068.2
2012-13	OLD	6.9	60.8	15.5	186.9	5.3	0.7	23.5	544.4	37.7	43.8	5.0	4.7	935.2
2012-13	EDR	6.9	60.8	15.0	208.5	5.3	0.7	23.5	544.1	37.7	43.8	5.0	4.7	956.0
2012-13	EOG	6.1	57.2	15.0	265.0	6.2	0.7	23.6	551.1	38.2	40.4	5.4	4.3	1,013.2
2012-13	DPT	6.9	60.8	15.0	271.5	5.3	0.7	23.5	556.8	37.7	-	5.0	4.7	987.9
2012-13	NEW	6.9	59.0	15.0	236.8	5.8	0.7	23.5	547.6	40.1	43.8	5.0	4.7	988.9
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2013-14	OLD	7.0	57.0	15.7	124.6	4.5	0.7	23.5	532.6	38.0	44.3	5.0	4.7	857.6 855.0
2013-14 2013-14	EDR EOG	7.0 6.2	57.0 53.6	15.2	124.6 183.5	4.5 5.3	0.7 0.7	23.5 23.6	531.4 537.1	38.0 38.5	44.3 40.8	5.0 5.4	4.7 4.3	855.9 914.2
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2013-14	NEW	7.0			124.6	4.5	0.7	23.5	556.8 534.3	38.0	-	5.0	4.7	
2013-14	NEW	7.0	55.3	15.2	154.1	4.9	0.7	23.5	534.3	40.5	44.3	5.0	4.7	889.5

Note: Revenues resulting from the \$33 increase in civil penalties for the violation of s. 316.075(1)(c)1 or 316.074(1), F.S., when a citation is issued by a law enforcement officer are included in the new estimate for other traffic. They will be removed from the HSMV estimate.

### **Growth Rates by Variable (percent)**

Fiscal Year	Estimate	Probate	Circuit Other	Circuit Family	Circuit Foreclosure	Counter- claim	Appellate	County Civil	Fines/Fees/ Charges	Other Traffic	Allocated Traffic	Adjudication	Misc.	TOTAL
2010-11	OLD	-4.11%	-4.22%	-3.80%	-16.76%	-9.72%	75.00%	-2.02%	4.47%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.00%	-3.41%
2010-11	EDR	-4.11%	-4.22%	-6.96%	-20.49%	-9.72%	75.00%	-2.02%	4.08%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.00%	-4.80%
2010-11	EOG	-13.70%	-9.99%	-6.96%	-26.08%	-9.72%	75.00%	-1.62%	4.08%	1.33%	-7.76%	8.00%	-10.00%	-7.21%
2011-12	DPT	-4.11%	-4.22%	-6.96%	-25.82%	-9.72%	75.00%	-2.02%	3.31%	0.00%	-	0.00%	-2.00%	-10.80%
2011-12	NEW													
2011-12	OLD	-1.43%	-4.99%	1.32%	4.52%	-1.54%	0.00%	-2.07%	-1.42%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.04%	0.07%
2011-12	EDR	-1.43%	-4.99%	1.36%	9.43%	-1.54%	0.00%	-2.07%	-1.27%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.04%	1.36%
2011-12	EOG	-3.17%	-5.00%	1.36%	21.64%	3.08%	0.00%	-2.06%	-1.02%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.22%	4.40%
2011-12	DPT	-1.43%	-4.99%	1.36%	21.84%	-1.54%	0.00%	-2.07%	-0.96%	0.00%	-	0.00%	-2.04%	4.66%
2011-12	NEW													
2012-13	OLD	0.00%	-6.03%	0.65%	-36.84%	-17.19%	0.00%	-0.84%	-2.86%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.08%	-12.22%
2012-13	EDR	0.00%	-6.03%	0.67%	-29.54%	-17.19%	0.00%	-0.84%	-2.70%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.08%	-10.13%
2012-13	EOG	0.00%	-5.92%	0.67%	-13.34%	-7.46%	0.00%	-0.84%	-1.69%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.27%	-5.11%
2012-13	DPT	0.00%	-6.03%	0.67%	-11.68%	-17.19%	0.00%	-0.84%	0.00%	0.00%	-	0.00%	-2.08%	-4.00%
2012-13	NEW													
2013-14	OLD	1.45%	-6.25%	1.29%	-33.33%	-15.09%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.17%	0.80%	1.14%	0.00%	0.00%	-8.30%
2013-14	EDR	1.45%	-6.25%	1.33%	-40.24%	-15.09%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.33%	0.80%	1.14%	0.00%	0.00%	-10.47%
2013-14	EOG	1.64%	-6.29%	1.33%	-30.75%	-14.52%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.54%	0.79%	0.99%	0.00%	0.00%	-9.77%
2013-14	DPT	1.45%	-6.25%	1.33%	-54.11%	-15.09%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.80%	-	0.00%	0.00%	-15.27%
2013-14	NEW													

**Revenue Distribution by Fund** 

Fiscal Year	Estimate	GR	COCTF	SCRTF	MATF	DFSATF	CETF	PDRTF	SARTF	BSCITF	ACCTF	EMSTF	DVTF	DHTF	CWTF	AWCTF	TOTAL
2009-10	Actual	188.6	454.5	394.6	18.3	1.0	3.7	4.0	7.9	8.3	6.4	7.1	4.4	1.0	0.4	2.0	1,102.3
2010-11	OLD	189.0	477.1	335.9	17.1	0.9	3.7	4.1	8.1	8.0	6.2	6.8	4.4	1.0	0.4	2.0	1,064.7
2010-11	EDR	187.1	476.2	323.5	17.0	0.9	3.7	4.1	8.1	8.0	6.2	6.8	4.4	1.0	0.4	2.0	1,049.4
2010-11	EOG	184.5	474.5	303.0	16.8	0.8	3.4	4.1	8.1	7.6	6.0	6.6	4.5	1.0	0.4	1.9	1,022.8
2010-11	DPT	165.2	475.2	302.9	17.4	0.9	3.7	4.1	8.1	-	-	-	4.4	1.0	0.4	-	983.3
2010-11	NEW	187.5	475.6	312.4	16.7	0.8	3.6	4.1	8.1	8.2	6.2	6.8	4.4	1.0	0.4	2.0	1,037.8
2011-12	OLD	185.2	467.9	350.5	16.4	0.8	3.5	4.1	8.1	8.0	6.2	6.8	4.4	1.0	0.4	2.0	1,065.4
2011-12	EDR	184.1	467.9	350.0	16.4	0.8	3.5	4.1	8.1	8.0	6.2	6.8	4.4	1.0	0.4	2.0	1,063.7
2011-12	EOG	187.4	467.6	351.5	16.8	0.8	3.3	4.1	8.1	7.6	6.0	6.6	4.5	1.0	0.4	1.9	1,067.8
2011-12	DPT	167.9	469.2	351.8	17.8	1.0	3.5	4.1	8.1	-	-	-	4.4	1.0	0.4	-	1,029.1
2011-12	NEW	186.0	467.9	352.7	16.3	0.8	3.3	4.1	8.1	8.2	6.2	6.8	4.4	1.0	0.4	2.0	1,068.2
2012-13	OLD	177.9	451.0	247.0	14.4	0.6	3.3	4.1	8.1	8.0	6.2	6.8	4.4	1.0	0.4	2.0	935.2
2012-13	EDR	177.4	452.0	267.3	14.4	0.6	3.3	4.1	8.1	8.0	6.2	6.8	4.4	1.0	0.4	2.0	956.0
2012-13	EOG	183.2	457.5	312.3	16.1	0.8	3.2	4.1	8.1	7.6	6.0	6.6	4.6	1.0	0.4	1.9	1,013.2
2012-13	DPT	162.3	468.9	317.7	16.9	0.8	3.3	4.1	8.1	-	-	-	4.4	1.0	0.4	-	987.9
2012-13	NEW	181.6	454.9	292.7	14.6	0.6	3.3	4.1	8.1	8.2	6.2	6.8	4.4	1.0	0.4	2.0	988.9
2013-14	OLD	171.6	438.5	188.5	13.7	0.5	3.2	4.1	8.2	8.1	6.3	6.9	4.6	1.0	0.4	2.0	857.6
2013-14	EDR	170.4	438.5	188.0	13.7	0.5	3.2	4.1	8.2	8.1	6.3	6.9	4.6	1.0	0.4	2.0	855.9
2013-14	EOG	176.0	442.9	236.4	14.6	0.6	3.1	4.1	8.2	7.7	6.0	6.6	4.6	1.0	0.4	1.9	914.2
2013-14	DPT	145.1	468.2	188.0	13.7	0.5	3.2	4.1	8.2	-	-	-	4.6	1.0	0.4	-	837.0
2013-14	NEW	174.4	440.9	214.9	13.8	0.5	3.2	4.1	8.2	8.3	6.3	6.9	4.6	1.0	0.4	2.0	889.5

Note: It is assumed that funds in excess of those needed to fund approved clerk of court budgets for each state fiscal year are transferred to GR on June 25, pursuant to the requirement in Section 15, Chapter 2009-61, L.O.F. For Fiscal Year 2010-11, this amount is \$0. When the transfer is positive, it is included in the COCTF for the purposes of the Article V Revenue Estimating Conference and identified for transfer to GR in the GR Revenue Estimating Conference table entitled Article V Fees and Transfers.

## ARTICLE V FEES AND TRANSFERS (millions)

Fiscal Year	Estimate	Direct GR Receipts	Transfer to GR	Total General Revenue
2010-11	OLD	189.0	0.0	189.0
2010-11	EDR	187.1	0.0	187.1
2010-11	EOG	184.5	0.0	184.5
2010-11	DPT	165.2	0.0	165.2
2010-11	NEW	187.5	0.0	187.5
2011-12	OLD	185.2	0.0	185.2
2011-12	EDR	184.1	0.0	184.1
2011-12	EOG	187.4	0.0	187.4
2011-12	DPT	167.9	0.0	167.9
2011-12	NEW	186.0	0.0	186.0
2012-13	OLD	177.9	0.0	177.9
2012-13	EDR	177.4	0.0	177.4
2012-13	EOG	183.2	0.0	183.2
2012-13	DPT	162.3	0.0	162.3
2012-13	NEW	181.6	0.0	181.6
2013-14	OLD	171.6	0.0	171.6
2013-14	EDR	170.4	0.0	170.4
2013-14	EOG	176.0	0.0	176.0
2013-14	DPT	145.1	0.0	145.1
2013-14	NEW	174.4	0.0	174.4

#### Note:

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The department (DPT) forecast does not include "Allocated Traffic" and "Adjudication" revenues which are deposited into GR.