# Revenue Estimating Conference Article V Fees & Transfers February 14, 2011 Executive Summary

The Revenue Estimating Conference for Article V Fees and Transfers was held Monday, February 14, 2011. Actual revenue collections for the first seven months of FY 2010-11 and events occurring during the period were used to adjust the revenue base estimate for FY 2010-11 and to incorporate the adjustments into out year forecasts.

The Conference discussed several economic variables that have direct bearing on the new forecast. For example, the number of foreclosure case filings dropped precipitously for the period from November 2010 through January 2011, even though the number of Florida mortgages in various stages of default continues to be very high and filings are expected to return to very high levels again in the future. This situation is thought to be a result of delays in the review of existing filed cases and an increase in the time it takes to prepare a case for filing arising from the discovery of financial irregularities in mid-October. As a result, for the second consecutive conference, foreclosure revenues were decreased significantly in FY 2010-11 and correspondingly increased in the out years.

Another seemingly contradictory situation involves traffic fines. While the number of traffic citations issued during the period increased slightly from the previous period, fine revenue receipts actually declined over the period. This appears to be the result of more citations for lesser offenses, thereby resulting in smaller fines and overall less revenue. To accommodate this change in behavior, the traffic fine revenue base was decreased in FY 2010-11 which carries over into the out years.

Probate, circuit civil, counterclaim, and county civil case filings were down since the November 15, 2010 Revenue Estimating Conference, resulting in a decrease in those revenues over the forecast period. Since the bulk of Clerks of the Court fines, fees and charges and chapter 2008-111, L.O.F, revenues are sensitive to increases and decreases in overall court activities, the estimates for these revenues were similarly reduced in FY 2010-11 and increased in FY 2011-12 to mimic the foreclosure pattern for those years.

Overall, for FY 2010-11, the forecast for the State Court Revenue Trust Fund is reduced by \$95.7 million, the Clerk of Court Trust Fund by \$33.7 million and the General Revenue Fund by \$23.0 million. For FY 2011-12, the forecast for the State Court Revenue Trust Fund is increased by \$63 million, the Clerk of Court Trust Fund by \$3.0 million and the General Revenue Fund by \$10.2 million compared to the previous estimate.

# ARTICLE V REVENUE ESTIMATING CONFERENCE 2/14/11

#### 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	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
2010-11	EDR	6.4	56.7	14.7	176.9	6.0	0.7	22.9	522.1	39.7	39.3	5.4	4.1	895.0
2010-11	EOG	6.4	58.9	13.9	169.9	6.0	0.7	23.9	524.6	39.5	40.3	5.0	4.2	893.5
2010-11	DPT	6.9	62.2	14.7	159.8	6.5	0.7	24.2	548.6	39.7	_	-	4.4	867.8
2010-11	NEW	6.4	58.9	14.7	159.8	6.0	0.7	23.9	522.1	39.7	39.8	5.2	4.2	881.4
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2011-12	OLD	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
2011-12	EDR	6.2	53.9	14.9	382.4	7.0	0.7	22.4	574.0	40.1	39.3	5.4	4.1	1,150.4
2011-12	EOG	6.3	56.0	14.0	395.1	8.2	0.7	23.4	569.6	39.9	40.3	5.0	4.1	1,162.5
2011-12	DPT	6.7	59.1	14.9	282.6	6.6	0.7	23.6	551.9	40.1	-	-	4.5	990.7
2011-12	NEW	6.3	56.0	14.9	371.0	7.0	0.7	23.4	574.0	40.1	39.8	5.2	4.1	1,142.5
2012-13	OLD	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
2012-13	EDR	6.2	50.7	15.0	236.8	5.8	0.7	22.2	533.7	40.1	39.3	5.4	4.1	960.0
2012-13	EOG	6.3	54.3	14.1	267.8	7.2	0.7	23.2	536.1	39.9	40.3	5.0	4.0	998.8
2012-13	DPT	6.7	56.8	15.0	298.9	5.8	0.7	23.5	552.2	40.1	-	_	4.5	1,004.0
2012-13	NEW	6.3	54.3	15.0	257.0	6.5	0.7	23.2	533.7	40.1	39.8	5.2	4.0	985.8
2013-14	OLD	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
2013-14	EDR	6.2	47.6	15.2	154.1	4.9	0.7	22.2	517.9	40.5	39.7	5.4	4.1	858.5
2013-14	EOG	6.4	50.4	14.3	188.2	6.2	0.7	23.2	523.2	40.3	40.7	5.0	4.0	902.4
2013-14	DPT	6.7	54.5	15.2	194.3	4.9	0.7	23.5	552.4	40.5	-	-	4.4	897.2
2013-14	NEW	6.4	50.4	15.2	164.0	5.3	0.7	23.2	517.9	40.5	40.2	5.2	4.0	873.0
2014-15	OLD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0
2014-15	EDR	6.3	44.8	15.3	112.5	4.4	0.7	23.5	511.3	40.9	40.1	5.4	4.1	809.2
2014-15	EOG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0
2014-15	DPT	6.8	52.8	15.4	141.8	4.9	0.7	23.5	552.4	40.9	-	-	4.3	843.4
2014-15	NEW	6.5	47.4	15.4	127.2	4.5	0.7	23.5	511.3	40.9	40.6	5.2	4.0	827.1

## **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%	-9.99%	-6.96%	-23.29%	-9.72%	75.00%	-2.02%	4.08%	5.31%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.00%	-5.85%
2010-11	EDR	-12.33%	-20.25%	-6.96%	-47.99%	-16.67%	75.00%	-7.29%	-4.06%	5.31%	-10.27%	8.00%	-18.00%	-18.81%
2010-11	EOG	-12.33%	-17.16%	-12.03%	-50.04%	-16.67%	75.00%	-3.24%	-3.60%	4.77%	-7.99%	0.00%	-16.00%	-18.94%
2011-12	DPT	-5.48%	-12.52%	-6.96%	-53.01%	-9.72%	75.00%	-2.02%	0.81%	5.31%	-	-	-12.00%	-21.27%
2011-12	NEW	-12.33%	-17.16%	-6.96%	-53.01%	-16.67%	75.00%	-3.24%	-4.06%	5.31%	-9.13%	4.00%	-16.00%	-20.04%
2011-12	OLD	-1.43%	-5.00%	1.36%	15.33%	1.54%	0.00%	-2.07%	-1.15%	1.01%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.04%	2.93%
2011-12	EDR	-3.13%	-4.94%	1.36%	116.17%	16.67%	0.00%	-2.18%	9.94%	1.01%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.54%
2011-12	EOG	-1.56%	-4.92%	0.72%	132.55%	36.67%	0.00%	-2.09%	8.58%	1.01%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.38%	30.11%
2011-12	DPT	-2.90%	-4.98%	1.36%	76.85%	1.54%	0.00%	-2.48%	0.60%	1.01%	-	-	2.27%	14.16%
2011-12	NEW	-1.56%	-4.92%	1.36%	132.17%	16.67%	0.00%	-2.09%	9.94%	1.01%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.38%	29.62%
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2012-13	OLD	0.00%	-2.96%	0.67%	-21.30%	-12.12%	0.00%	-0.84%	-2.20%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.08%	-7.42%
2012-13	EDR	0.00%	-5.94%	0.67%	-38.08%	-17.14%	0.00%	-0.89%	-7.02%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-16.55%
2012-13	EOG	0.00%	-3.04%	0.71%	-32.22%	-12.20%	0.00%	-0.85%	-5.88%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.44%	-14.08%
2012-13	DPT	0.00%	-3.89%	0.67%	5.77%	-12.12%	0.00%	-0.42%	0.05%	0.00%	-	-	0.00%	1.34%
2012-13	NEW	0.00%	-3.04%	0.67%	-30.73%	-7.14%	0.00%	-0.85%	-7.02%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.44%	-13.72%
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2013-14	OLD	1.45%	-6.27%	1.33%	-34.92%	-15.52%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.43%	1.00%	1.14%	0.00%	0.00%	-10.05%
2013-14	EDR	0.00%	-6.11%	1.33%	-34.92%	-15.52%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.96%	1.00%	1.02%	0.00%	0.00%	-10.57%
2013-14	EOG	1.59%	-7.18%	1.42%	-29.72%	-13.89%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.41%	1.00%	0.99%	0.00%	0.00%	-9.65%
2013-14	DPT	0.00%	-4.05%	1.33%	-34.99%	-15.52%	0.00%	0.00%	0.04%	1.00%	-	-	-2.22%	-10.64%
2013-14	NEW	1.59%	-7.18%	1.33%	-36.19%	-18.46%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.96%	1.00%	1.01%	0.00%	0.00%	-11.44%
2014-15	OLD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-
2014-15	EDR	1.61%	-5.88%	0.66%	-27.00%	-10.20%	0.00%	5.86%	-1.27%	0.99%	1.01%	0.00%	0.00%	-5.74%
2014-15	EOG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2014-15	DPT	1.49%	-3.12%	1.32%	-27.02%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.99%	-	-	-2.27%	-6.00%
2014-15	NEW	1.00%	-6.00%	1.32%	-22.44%	-15.09%	0.00%	1.29%	-1.27%	0.99%	1.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-5.25%

**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	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
2010-11	EDR	163.1	442.0	231.7	15.0	0.7	3.1	4.1	8.1	7.7	5.4	6.5	4.4	1.0	0.4	1.8	895.0
2010-11	EOG	165.0	443.0	227.1	14.9	0.7	3.3	4.2	8.3	7.6	5.6	6.6	4.0	0.9	0.4	1.9	893.5
2010-11	DPT	152.4	460.5	227.6	15.0	0.7	3.5	4.1	8.1	0.2	-	-	4.4	1.0	0.4	-	877.9
2010-11	NEW	164.5	441.9	216.7	14.9	0.6	3.2	4.1	8.1	7.7	5.6	6.5	4.4	1.0	0.4	1.8	881.4
2011-12	OLD	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
2011-12	EDR	195.1	470.9	424.7	16.6	0.7	3.0	4.1	8.1	7.7	5.4	6.5	4.4	1.0	0.4	1.8	1,150.4
2011-12	EOG	198.6	469.9	432.3	18.0	0.9	3.2	4.2	8.4	7.6	5.6	6.6	4.0	0.9	0.4	1.9	1,162.5
2011-12	DPT	159.0	464.1	329.1	16.2	0.8	3.3	4.1	8.1	0.2	-	-	4.4	1.0	0.4	-	990.7
2011-12	NEW	196.2	470.9	415.7	16.3	0.8	3.1	4.1	8.1	7.7	5.6	6.5	4.4	1.0	0.4	1.8	1,142.5
2012-13	OLD	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
2012-13	EDR	160.3	454.7	288.1	14.0	0.6	2.9	4.1	8.1	7.7	5.4	6.5	4.4	1.0	0.4	1.8	960.0
2012-13	EOG	173.1	451.4	315.0	15.9	0.7	3.1	4.2	8.4	7.6	5.6	6.6	4.0	0.9	0.4	1.9	998.8
2012-13	DPT	158.8	464.1	342.7	16.2	0.8	3.2	4.1	8.1	0.2	-	-	4.4	1.0	0.4	-	1,004.0
2012-13	NEW	164.3	454.9	309.4	14.1	0.6	2.9	4.1	8.1	7.7	5.6	6.5	4.4	1.0	0.4	1.8	985.8
2013-14	OLD	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
2013-14	EDR	151.1	440.7	210.4	13.3	0.3	2.8	4.1	8.2	7.8	5.5	6.6	4.4	1.0	0.4	1.8	858.5
2013-14	EOG	165.5	438.1	240.9	14.3	0.6	3.0	4.2	8.4	7.7	5.7	6.7	4.0	0.9	0.4	1.9	902.4
2013-14	DPT	150.3	463.7	246.2	14.7	0.7	3.1	4.1	8.2	0.2	-	-	4.6	1.0	0.4	-	897.2
2013-14	NEW	153.5	440.8	222.1	13.3	0.4	2.8	4.1	8.2	7.8	5.7	6.6	4.4	1.0	0.4	1.8	873.0
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2014-15	OLD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2014-15	EDR	147.4	435.9	169.9	12.7	0.4	2.8	4.1	8.3	7.9	5.5	6.6	4.5	1.0	0.4	1.8	809.2
2014-15	EOG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2014-15	DPT	146.1	463.4	197.8	13.8	0.6	3.1	4.1	8.3	0.2	-	-	4.6	1.0	0.4	-	843.4
2014-15	NEW	148.7	436.0	186.2	12.7	0.4	2.7	4.1	8.3	7.9	5.7	6.6	4.5	1.0	0.4	1.9	827.1

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	Total General Revenue	
2010-11	OLD	187.5	0.0	187.5
2010-11	EDR	163.1	0.0	163.1
2010-11	EOG	165.0	0.0	165.0
2010-11	DPT	152.4	0.0	152.4
2010-11	NEW	164.5	0.0	164.5
2011-12	OLD	186.0	0.0	186.0
2011-12	EDR	195.1	0.0	195.1
2011-12	EOG	198.6	0.0	198.6
2011-12	DPT	159.0	0.0	159.0
2011-12	NEW	196.2	0.0	196.2
2012-13	OLD	181.6	0.0	181.6
2012-13	EDR	160.3	0.0	160.3
2012-13	EOG	173.1	0.0	173.1
2012-13	DPT	158.8	0.0	158.8
2012-13	NEW	164.3	0.0	164.3
2013-14	OLD	174.4	0.0	174.4
2013-14	EDR	151.1	0.0	151.1
2013-14	EOG	165.5	0.0	165.5
2013-14	DPT	150.3	0.0	150.3
2013-14	NEW	153.5	0.0	153.5
2014-15	OLD	-	-	-
2014-15	EDR	147.4	0.0	147.4
2014-15	EOG	-	-	-
2014-15	DPT	146.1	0.0	146.1
2014-15	NEW	148.7	0.0	148.7

#### Notes:

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 $\label{lem:continuity} The \ department \ (DPT) \ forecast \ does \ not \ include \ ''Allocated \ Traffic'' \ and \ ''Adjudication'' \ revenues \ which \ are \ deposited \ into \ GR.$