
FY 2017 JLBC Baseline

Summary Version

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Summary of Current Budget Status

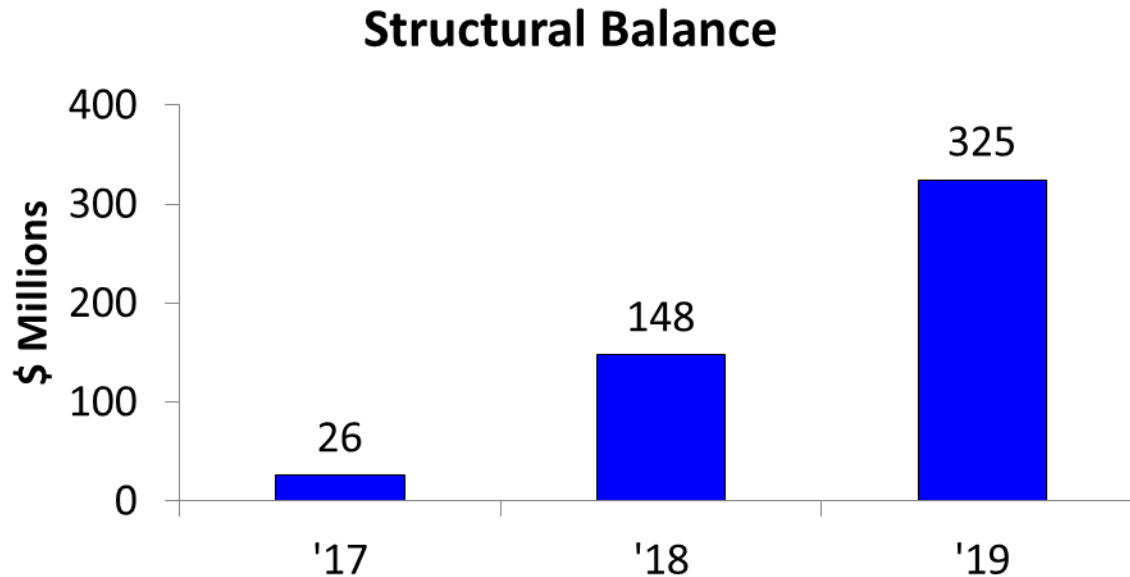
- ❑ The Baseline compares the 4-sector consensus revenue forecast with cost of current funding formulas through '19
- ❑ '17 Baseline has a large cash balance of \$625 M, primarily due to \$600 M in one-time revenues
- ❑ Permanent revenues only exceed permanent spending by \$26 M (the structural balance) for '17
- ❑ Baseline structural balance grows to \$325 M by '19
 - But only if no discretionary changes for 3 years

'17 Challenge: Avoid Re-creating a Structural Gap

- ❑ '17: large cash balance, small structural balance
- ❑ Using cash balance for ongoing initiatives re-creates structural gap in '18
- ❑ Excludes \$460 M Rainy Day Fund Balance

| FY 2017 Baseline Projection | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| | \$ in M |
| Balance Forward / Other | \$ 599 |
| One-time Revenues | |
| Ongoing Revenues | 9,397 |
| Ongoing Spending | (9,371) |
| Cash Balance | \$ 625 |

Baseline Structural Balance Improves Through '19



- ❑ Improving balances could provide more flexibility, but...
- ❑ Based on highly unlikely assumption of no discretionary changes in next 3 years

Fiscal Policy: Improvements, but Significant Challenges Ahead

- ❑ Credit rating raised in '15 to AA/Aa2, 3rd highest level
 - 26 states have higher ratings
 - Rating agencies linked upgrade to improved structural balance

- ❑ State still lacks statutory policy for addressing one-time monies
 - Capital gains and Corporate Income Tax are volatile revenue streams
 - JLBC Staff continues to recommend diverting one-time monies to one-time purposes
 - 2014 California ballot initiative channels some one-time monies into their Rainy Day Fund (Appendix A)

FY '17 – Potential Candidates for One-time Monies

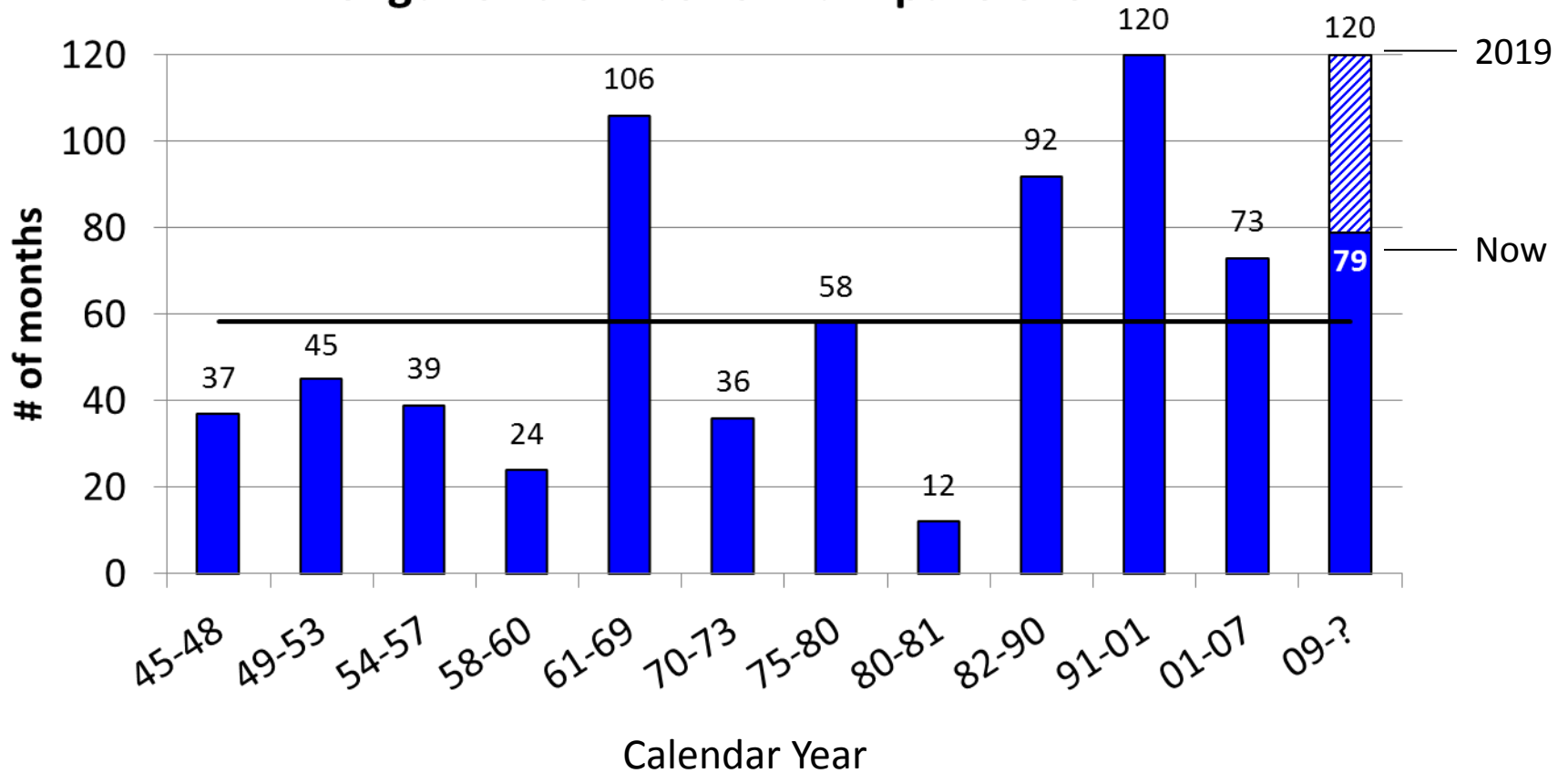
- Rollover Payoff
 - State has \$1.2 B in “rollovers,” which reflect deferral of current year expenses to next fiscal year
- Information Technology Initiatives
 - Examples: DOR and DCS IT systems
- Infrastructure
 - Supplement HURF with General Fund monies
 - Other Capital Improvement projects
- Pay down Operating Debt Buyback - \$84 M annual payment

JLBC Staff Recommended Improvements

- JLBC review of DCS line item transfers would permit further legislative input on moving in-home service funding to out-of-home placements
- Revamp November 2016 ballot referral on the use of the Permanent Fund for Land Department administrative expenses to increase legislative oversight and reduce potential beneficiary impact
- Clarify the 2015 law regarding state and local responsibilities regarding the 1% homeowner property tax cap
- Appropriate all or none of University tuition, thereby eliminating current hybrid process
- Improve knowledge of Corporate Income Tax by requiring DOR to publish more timely data on use of credits

Forecast Risk: Current Expansion Exceeds Historical Average

Length of U.S. Economic Expansions



Revenue Growth Improves Slightly Over Time

January Consensus Forecast

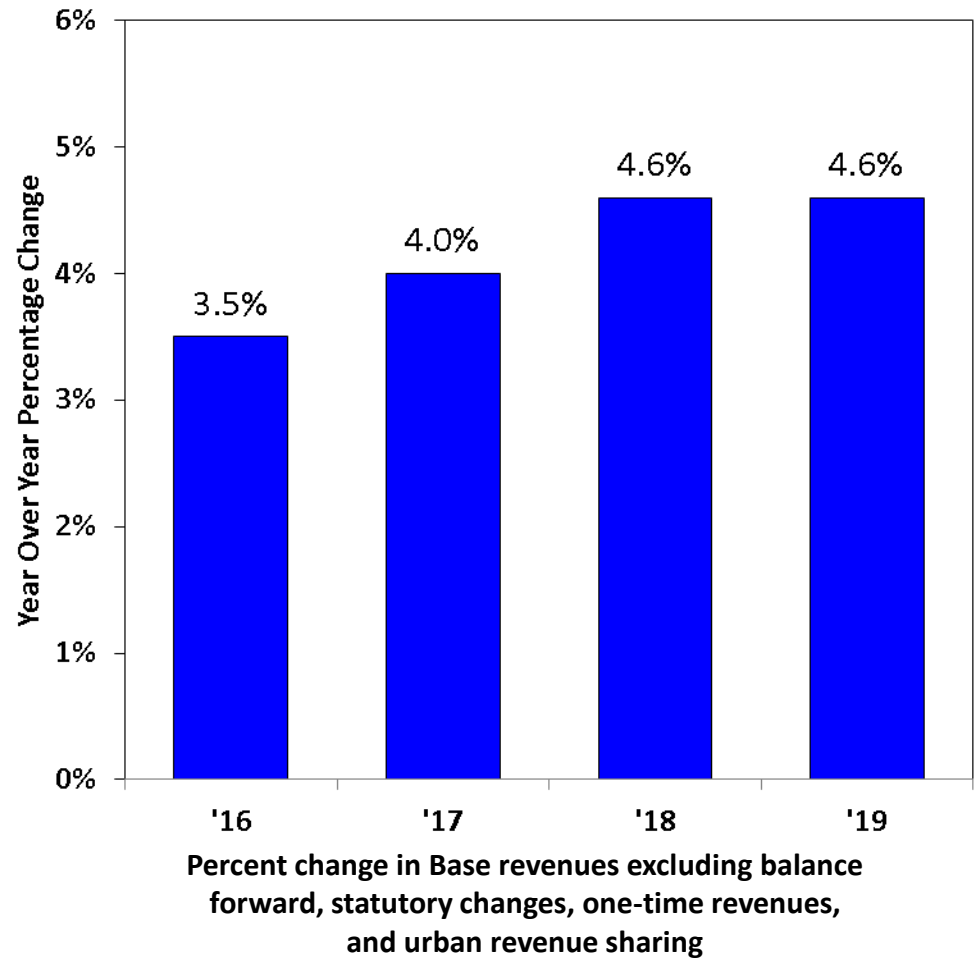
- Finance Advisory Committee
- UA model – base
- UA model – low
- JLBC Staff

Chance of Exceeding Forecast

- 66%

Long Run Average Growth

- 4.7%



Is the FY '16 Growth Rate Reasonable?

- ❑ After adjusting for tax laws and one-time funds, the projected '16 growth rate is 3.0%
 - The comparable preliminary growth rate through December is also 3.0%
 - “Core” Revenues – sales tax (2.5%) and withholding (2.8%)

- ❑ The Baseline would increase the forecast of these ongoing revenues by \$341 M above the enacted budget
 - Through a preliminary December estimate, '16 revenues are \$209 million above the enacted budget

- ❑ The 2nd half forecast gain is expected to slow due to the higher collection level in the 2nd half of '15
 - There is uncertainty regarding the sustainability of last year's capital gains collections

Components of the Revenue Forecast

- Excludes Change in Beginning Balance

| | \$ in M | | | |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | <u>'16</u> | <u>'17</u> | <u>'18</u> | <u>'19</u> |
| Base Revenue Growth (3.5%/4.0%/4.6%/4.6%) | 333 | 389 | 461 | 475 |
| One-Time Fund Transfers | 139 | (117) | (100) | 0 |
| One-Time Amnesty Collections | 47 | (47) | 0 | 0 |
| Previously Enacted Tax Legislation | (98) | (98) | (90) | (73) |
| Urban Revenue Sharing | 3 | (58) | (13) | (6) |
| Total | 424 | 69 | 258 | 396 |
| % Change | 4.7% | 0.7% | 2.7% | 4.1% |

Projected Baseline Spending Changes

| | GF \$ in M Above Prior Year | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | '17 | '18 | '19 |
| K-12 | 84 | 138 | 124 |
| AHCCCS | 79 | 77 | 98 |
| DCS | (9) | 0 | 0 |
| DES | 24 | 25 | 29 |
| Corrections | 23 | 7 | 0 |
| Universities | 12 | 4 | 0 |
| Employee Health Insurance | (8) | 0 | 0 |
| Land Dept. Self-Fund | 0 | (13) | 0 |
| Other | (24) | (2) | (32) |
| Total Operating Budget Changes | 181 | 236 | 219 |
| Total Spending | \$9,371 | \$9,607 | \$9,826 |
| % Change | 1.4% | 2.5% | 2.3% |

Main Caseload Assumptions

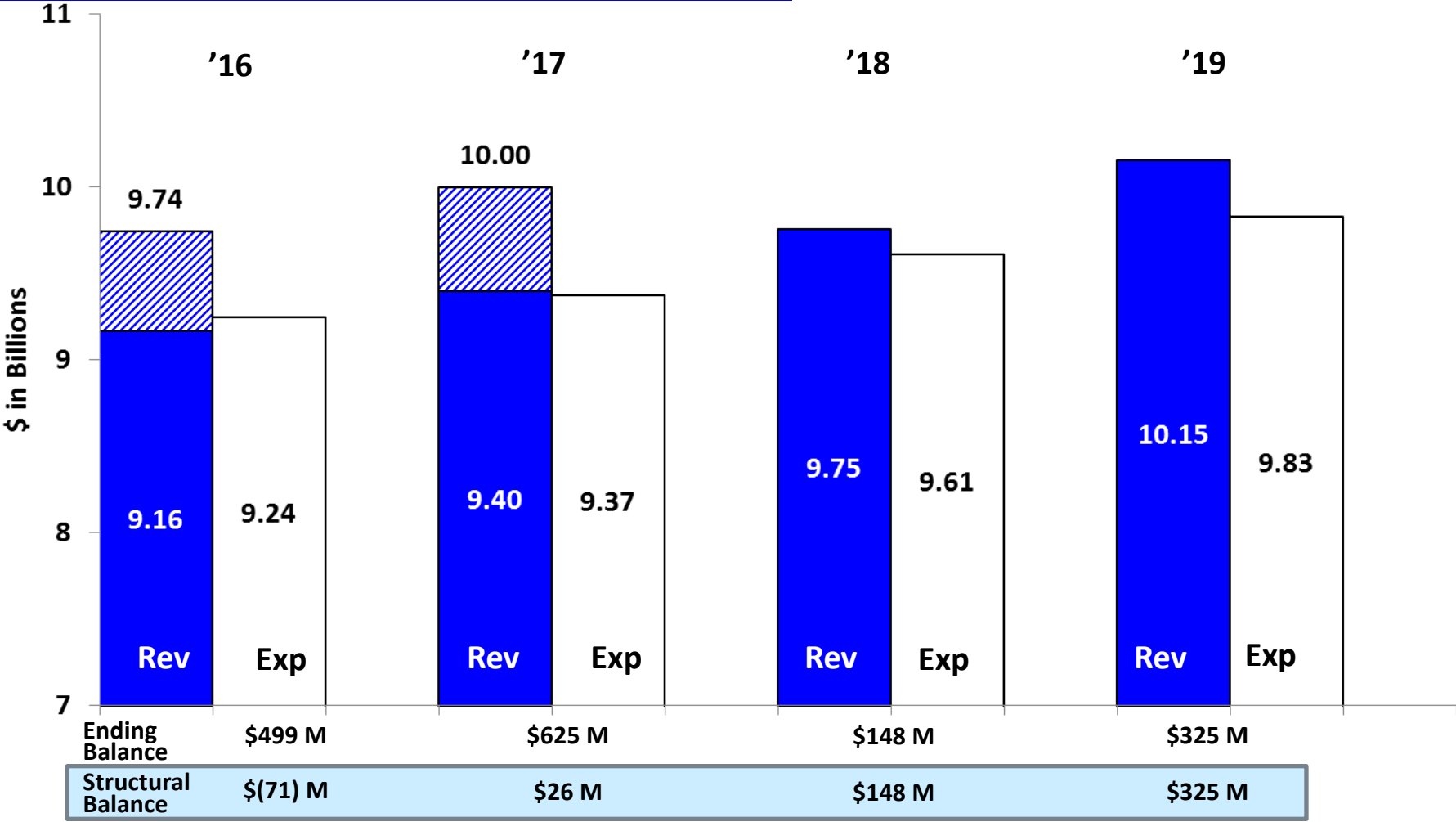
- ❑ K-12 projected to grow by \$84 M
 - 1.6% inflation/1.4% student growth/property tax cut
 - (\$61) M in savings for previously enacted JTED and declining enrollment provisions

- ❑ Medicaid '17 spending grows 4.4%
 - 2.5% caseload, 1.5% capitation, and better federal match rates

- ❑ DCS funding adjusted down consistent with May 2014 plan
 - Reflects one-time backlog funding, but problem remains the same

- ❑ ADC reflects cost for opening 1,000 previously authorized beds

Projected General Fund Revenues & Expenditures



■ Base Revenue
 ▨ Cash Balance / One-Time
 □ Ongoing Expenditures

FY 2017 projected ending balance assumed to be allocated
 as part of the budget process



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