

# Senate Budget Brief

## A Summary of Budget News and Actions

### Leaders React to Final Revenue Figures

The State Board of Equalization has provided the Legislature with the final amounts available for the FY 2014 Budget. Senate President Pro Tempore Bingman and Chairman Jolley react.

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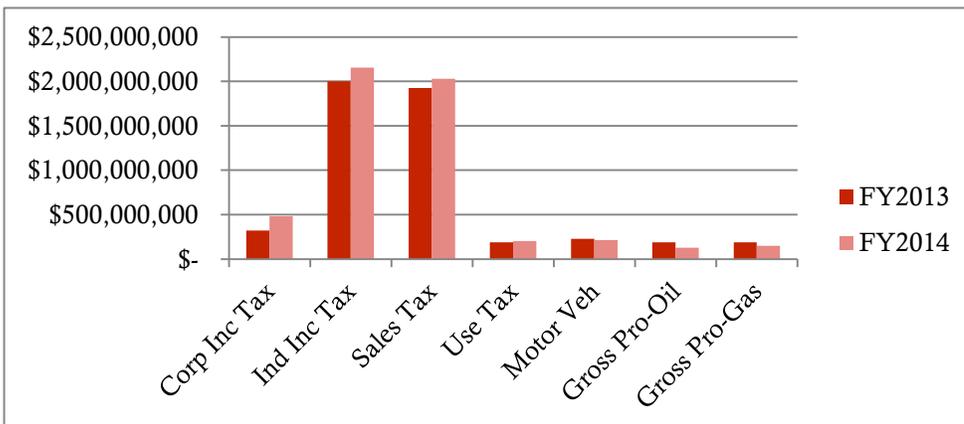
## State Board of Equalization Issues Final Certification

The Legislature will have an additional \$212.6 million to work with when the fiscal year 2014 budget is written. The State Board of Equalization announced the final certification at their February 19 meeting at the State Capitol, approving \$7.04 billion for appropriation in the FY'14 budget.

Compared to last year, the biggest increase was in the category of income tax collections, while there were significant decreases in gross production tax collections from FY'13 compared to FY'14. Below are the top revenue categories and changes in dollars.

### Percent Change

- Corporate Income Tax +50.2%
- Individual Income Tax + 7.8%
- Sales Tax + 5.5%
- Use Tax + 9.3%
- Motor Vehicle Collections - 5.9%
- Gross Production - Oil -36.1%
- Gross Production - Gas -19.9%



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## Senate Leaders React to Budget Authority Figures, Growth

Senate leaders found reason for optimism in new budget figures, but also call for a cautious approach when deciding how best to spend available resources in the coming budget year.

Senate President Pro Tempore Brian Bingman said he was pleased by the final revenue figures certified by the Equalization Board on Tuesday, but cautioned the state could still be impacted by possible budget cuts in Washington D.C.

“I am encouraged by our continued growth and recovery from the national Recession, and I am urging my fellow lawmakers to continue advancing a pro-growth agenda to sustain our forward momentum,” said Bingman, R-Sapulpa.

“Increased revenue should be cautiously celebrated as a sign of Oklahoma’s growing economic strength. With looming uncertainty in our nation’s Capitol, we must thoughtfully target our spending on core government services.”

February’s certification also means the General Revenue Fund will have a surplus of \$83.3 million to deposit in the Rainy Day Fund in July, increasing the amount in the state savings account to an all-time record of \$660 million.

“Our Constitutional balanced budget requirement and the creation of the Rainy Day Fund have served Oklahoma well in the past two recessions, and actually helped us protect core services and still lower the tax burden on our citizens,” said Sen. Clark Jolley, Appropriations Chairman. “The balanced budget amendment was enacted as a result of our state’s experiences in the Great Recession, while the Rainy Day Fund was created after the 1980’s oil bust. These policies represent a conservative approach to state finances that will continue to guide us as we prioritize spending for the FY’14 budget.”



President Pro Tempore  
Brian Bingman

## Senate Meets Deadline. Next One: March 14

February 18 marked the deadline for first committee action on Senate bills with double referrals—those are substantive measures with a potential fiscal impact which have been assigned to a standing committee as well as appropriations. Monday, February 25 was the deadline for senate bills assigned to a single committee. The deadline for second committee action on double referral Senate bills was Thursday, February 28.

Thursday, March 14 is the deadline for third reading in the House of Origin. Under the Joint Rules, these deadlines do not apply to budget bills.

## 2014 Budget Requests – By Percentage Increase

Agency	2013 Base Budget	2014 Additional Request	Percentage Increase
Historical Society	\$12,502,546	\$44,024,000	352.1%
Conservation Commission	\$10,061,684	\$19,856,642	197.3%
Will Rogers Memorial Commission	\$740,486	\$1,287,000	173.8%
Oklahoma Center for Adv. Of Science & Technology	\$17,811,449	\$28,893,551	162.2%
J.M. Davis Memorial Commission	\$306,009	\$283,510	92.6%
Physician Manpower Training Commission	\$4,379,254	\$4,050,044	92.5%
Oklahoma Scenic Rivers Commission	\$271,315	\$232,500	85.7%
District Courts	\$8,600,000	\$6,284,381	73.1%
Horse Racing Commission	\$2,072,167	\$1,510,000	72.9%
Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs	\$3,616,418	\$2,361,000	65.3%
State Auditor and Inspector	\$4,707,000	\$2,663,000	56.6%
Oklahoma Educational Television Authority	\$3,822,328	\$2,032,672	53.2%
State Ethics Commission	\$588,129	\$304,871	51.8%
Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse	\$311,421,073	\$143,817,000	46.2%
Merit Protection Commission	\$496,000	\$219,000	44.2%
Office of the Chief Medical Examiner	\$7,198,000	\$2,872,000	39.9%
Department of Rehabilitative Services	\$30,449,232	\$10,475,000	34.4%
Attorney General	\$20,228,141	\$6,300,000	31.1%
Department of Human Services	\$586,958,664	\$179,834,000	30.6%
Oklahoma School of Science and Math	\$6,332,274	\$1,936,595	30.6%
State Regents for Higher Education	\$860,575,427	\$241,455,727	28.1%
Workers' Compensation Court	\$4,247,166	\$1,150,000	27.1%
Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission	\$3,141,000	\$810,000	25.8%
Department of Environmental Quality	\$7,757,973	\$2,000,000	25.8%
District Attorneys and District Attorneys Council	\$33,696,000	\$6,736,000	20.0%
Oklahoma Military Department	\$10,748,000	\$2,122,000	19.7%
Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training	\$3,628,560	\$635,000	17.5%
Department of Mines	\$779,139	\$119,000	15.3%
Department of Labor	\$3,311,160	\$481,049	14.5%
Department of Corrections	\$463,731,068	\$66,714,000	14.4%
Office of the State Fire Marshall	\$1,796,764	\$254,000	14.1%
State Department of Education	\$2,333,604,082	\$292,210,515	12.5%
State Arts Council	\$4,010,087	\$500,000	12.5%
Department of Public Safety	\$85,944,790	\$10,000,000	11.6%
Department of Career & Technology Education	\$135,142,618	\$15,654,382	11.6%
Oklahoma Health Care Authority	\$925,063,007	\$105,826,000	11.4%

## 2014 Budget Requests – By Percentage Increase, Continued

Agency	2013 Base Budget	2014 Additional Request	Percentage Increase
Supreme Court	\$17,337,000	\$1,919,127	11.1%
Department of Libraries	\$5,898,633	\$604,000	10.2%
Oklahoma Corporation Commission	\$11,324,427	\$1,100,000	9.7%
Office of Management and Enterprise Services	\$43,974,613	\$4,157,734	9.5%
Office of Juvenile Affairs	\$96,187,205	\$8,649,000	9.0%
Oklahoma Indigent Defense System	\$14,178,000	\$1,041,000	7.3%
University Hospitals Authority	\$41,624,391	\$2,925,000	7.0%
Pardon and Parole Board	\$2,218,000	\$133,000	6.0%
Court of Criminal Appeals	\$3,484,631	\$186,583	5.4%
Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation	\$13,798,000	\$528,000	3.8%
Department of Agriculture	\$27,610,247	\$522,154	1.9%
Department of Health	\$61,783,682	\$701,000	1.1%
Department of Veteran Affairs	\$35,698,752	\$353,000	1.0%
Commission on Teacher Preparation/Education Quality	\$1,526,179	\$-	0.0%
Office of the State Bond Advisor	\$143,000	\$-	0.0%
State Election Board	\$7,806,000	\$-	0.0%
Office of Civil Emergency Management	\$592,118	\$-	0.0%
Governor	\$2,172,900	\$-	0.0%
House of Representatives	\$15,574,682	\$-	0.0%
Legislative Service Bureau	\$4,892,835	\$-	0.0%
Lt. Governor	\$506,591	\$-	0.0%
Senate	\$12,171,789	\$-	0.0%
Space Industry Development Authority	\$459,000	\$-	0.0%
Oklahoma Tax Commission	\$46,916,000	\$-	0.0%
Department of Transportation	\$-	\$-	0.0%
Commission on Children and Youth	\$2,027,167	\$-	0.0%
Office of Disability Concerns	\$314,753	\$-	0.0%
J.D. McCarty Center	\$3,740,338	\$-	0.0%
Department of Commerce	\$29,573,212	\$-	0.0%
Department of Consumer Credit	\$31,730	\$-	0.0%
Insurance Commissioner	\$1,871,937	\$-	0.0%
Department of Tourism and Recreation	\$21,803,003	\$-	0.0%
Oklahoma Water Resources Board	\$6,999,671	\$-	0.0%
Commissioner of the Land Office	\$16,000,000	\$(797,000)	-5.0%
Oklahoma State Treasurer	\$3,744,000	\$(190,000)	-5.1%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$6,463,723,496</b>	<b>\$1,227,737,037</b>	<b>19.0%</b>