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Missouri Department of Higher Education

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# State Update

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May 12, 2017

# Agenda

- Legislative Update
- Budget Outlook
- State Aid Update
- MDHE Initiatives
- FAFSA Completion Project

# Higher Education Legislation

- System Review Task Force
  - HB 758 and SB 328
  - Expanded Degree Authority
  - Explicit reference to UM research mission
  - Other, non-legislative issues
    - Revised Program Approval Process
    - Mission Review
    - Regional workforce needs

# Higher Education Legislation

- HB 599
  - Deletes 3 consecutive year requirement for A+
- HB 984
  - Establishes the Allan Purdy Work-Study Program
- HB 411/SB 188
  - Establishes a new category of state aid eligible institutions – Virtual Institution

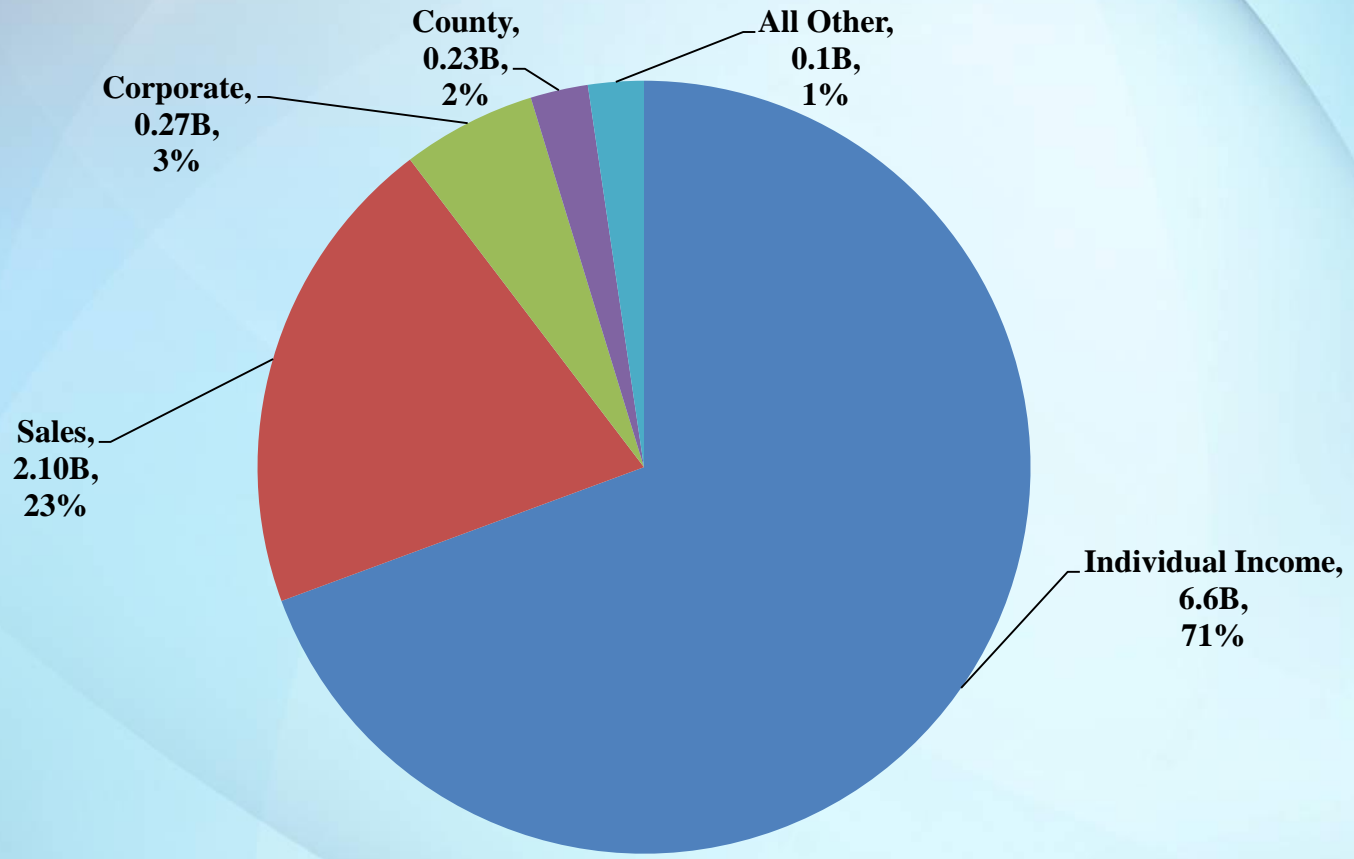
# Higher Education Legislation

- HB 953
  - Requires disclosure of employment and program information to students
- HB 94
  - Allows substitution of Work-Keys examination for the ACT for census testing

# Budget Update



# FY 2018 GR Estimate





# State Budget Update

- FY 2016
  - Revenue increased 0.9%
  - Budget predicated on increase of 4.1%
- FY 2017
  - YTD revenue – increased 4.9%
  - Revised revenue estimate for budget – 3.0%
  - \$200 million spending restrictions

# State Budget Update

- FY 2018
  - Consensus revenue estimate – 3.8%
  - Major reductions to institutional operating appropriations
    - No performance funding
    - Core reductions
  - Program specific eliminations
  - Student aid programs not impacted

# State Aid Update

# Access Missouri

- FY 2017
  - \$68.7 M transfer, \$76.5 M spending authority
    - Includes General Revenue, Lottery, Gaming, other funds
  - Award levels – 79% of statutory max
  - Projected recipients – 44,479 (8% decline from FY16)
- FY 2018
  - Current appropriation – no increase
  - Priority deadline – 2/1; Final deadline – 4/1
  - Eligible applications up 8% by March 1

# Bright Flight

- FY 2017
  - \$18.2 M transfer; \$20.7 M spending authority
  - \$1.5 M supplemental request
  - Attempting to maintain \$3,000 award – top 3%
  - Projected recipients – 7,024 (5% increase)
- FY 2018
  - Current appropriation - \$22.2M (\$4M increase)
  - Project 5 to 8 percent increase in recipients
  - Sufficient to maintain \$3,000 maximum

# A+

- FY 2017
  - \$37.6 M transfer; \$39.5 M spending authority
  - \$3 M spending restriction
  - Projected recipients – 12,750
  - Full funding of tuition/fees
- FY 2018
  - Current appropriation – no increase
  - Projected recipients – 13,200

# A+

- FY 2018 (cont.)
  - Projections difficult
    - 57 Private high schools designated by DESE
      - Projecting 350 to 400 new students
    - Continued growth from public high school graduates
    - Tuition and fee increases
      - Due to reduced state support



# Other State Programs

- Ross-Barnett
  - 226 students paid in FY17 (down 17%)
  - Unable to maintain full funding (16 pending)
  - Full funding unlikely for foreseeable future
- Minority Teaching – funding eliminated
- All other programs level funded
  - War Vets continues to grow
    - Waiting list likely for FY 2018

# **MDHE Initiatives**

# 15 to Finish



**EARN A DEGREE IN LESS TIME —  
WITH LESS DEBT.**



**Complete 15+ credit hours a semester.  
Graduate on time.**

[dhe.mo.gov/15tofinish](http://dhe.mo.gov/15tofinish)

# MDHE Initiatives

- 15 to Finish
  - Encourages students to complete 15 credit hours per semester
  - Kick-off event – October 2016
  - Three webinars earlier this year
- Available materials
  - <http://dhe.mo.gov/initiatives/fifteentofinish.php>
  - Fliers, fact sheets, social media
  - Video

# MDHE Initiatives

- Common Transfer Curriculum
  - Required by SB 997 (2016)
  - Establish 42 hour transfer block
    - Course matrix
  - Develop dispute resolution process
  - Completed by January 2018
- Math Pathways Project
  - Alternatives for College Algebra
  - Statewide implementation

# FAFSA Completion Project

- Goal: Increase the number of students who successfully complete a FAFSA
- Actionable information for high school counselors
- In Missouri
  - Participation is a 2 step process
  - 175 high schools/132 districts to date
  - <http://dhe.mo.gov/fafsa-completion>

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