

48.115 Planning report, preliminary revenue estimates, and official revenue estimates required by KRS 48.120 to be developed by consensus forecasting group -- Revision of official revenue estimates -- Threshold for implementation of enacted budget reduction plan.

- (1) The revenue estimates for the general fund and the road fund required by KRS 48.120 shall be based on a consensus revenue forecast. The planning report, preliminary revenue estimates, and official revenue estimates required by KRS 48.120 shall be developed by the consensus forecasting group. The members of the consensus forecasting group shall be jointly selected by the state budget director and the Legislative Research Commission. The members shall be knowledgeable about the state and national economy and the revenue and financial conditions of the Commonwealth.
- (2) If the Legislative Research Commission or state budget director determines that a revision to the official revenue estimates is needed, the Legislative Research Commission or state budget director shall request a revision from the consensus forecasting group. The revised revenue estimates shall become the official revenue estimates.
- (3) The enacted budget reduction plan required by KRS 48.130 shall be implemented only:
 - (a) Upon the issuance of an official revenue estimate from the consensus forecasting group reflecting a revenue shortfall of five percent (5%) or less; or
 - (b) At the end of a fiscal year, upon the existence of an actual revenue shortfall of five percent (5%) or less, as determined by the Office of State Budget Director.
- (4) The state budget director shall coordinate with the Department of Revenue and the Transportation Cabinet to ensure that the financial and revenue data required for the forecasting process is made available to the consensus forecasting group.
- (5) Staff for the consensus forecasting group shall be provided by the Legislative Research Commission.

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48.120 Budget planning report and preliminary and official revenue estimates to be provided by Office of State Budget Director -- Appropriations to be based on official revenue estimates.

- (1) By August 15 of each odd-numbered year, the Office of State Budget Director, in conjunction with the consensus forecasting group, shall provide to each branch of government a budget planning report. The budget planning report shall include:
 - (a) A baseline analysis and projections of economic conditions and outlook;
 - (b) Any potential consequences of the analysis and projections for the Commonwealth's fiscal condition;
 - (c) The revenue estimates and implications for the general fund and road fund for the current fiscal year and next four (4) fiscal years; and
 - (d) Projections of personal income, employment, and economic indicators that reflect economic conditions.
- (2) By October 15 of each odd-numbered year, the Office of State Budget Director shall provide to each branch of government preliminary revenue estimates made by the consensus forecast group for the general fund and road fund for the current and next two (2) fiscal years, including explanatory statements, and a comparative record of the actual revenues of these funds for each of the last two (2) years concluded.
- (3) On or before the fifteenth legislative day, the Office of State Budget Director shall certify and present to the General Assembly the official revenue estimates made by the consensus forecasting group for the general fund and road fund for the current and next two (2) fiscal years.
- (4) Appropriations made in the branch budget bills enacted for each branch of government shall be based upon the official revenue estimates presented to the General Assembly by the Office of State Budget Director under subsection (3) of this section, as modified by the General Assembly.
- (5) The enacted estimates shall become the official revenue estimates of the Commonwealth upon the branch budget bills becoming law, and shall remain the official revenue estimates of the Commonwealth until revised by the consensus forecasting group as provided in KRS 48.115.

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