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**2011 Missouri Legislative
Wrap-Up**

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WELCOME



Is it Good for the Children?

#1 Question

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2011 Legislative Session

- Bills Introduced: 1515 (1839 in '10)
- Bills Passed: 153 (106 in '10)
- Percent Passed: 10.1% (5.8% in '10)

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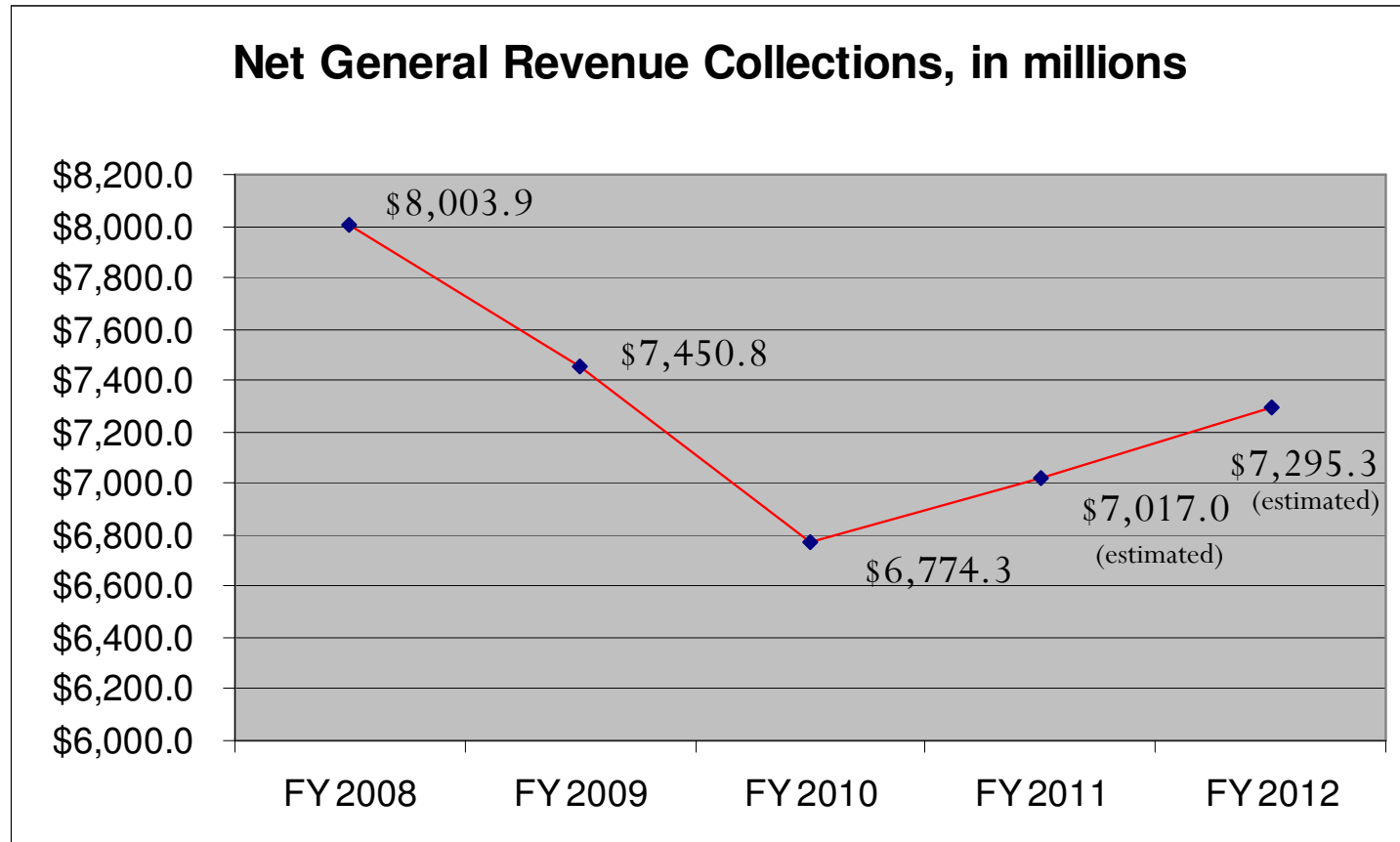
2011 Policy Agenda

Victories & Disappointments

- STATE BUDGET & FINANCE
- HEALTH
- EARLY CARE & EDUCATION
- SAFETY AND SECURITY
- K-12 EDUCATION

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STATE REVENUE COLLECTIONS



Sources: MO Office of Administration; Missouri Budget Project

A review of total net GR collections (actual and estimated) over the last five years shows that assuming the state achieves the FY 2012 revenue estimate, **it will still be about \$709 million below the FY 2008 total.**

STATE BUDGET

- Missouri's total budget is slightly more than \$23 billion – combined state and federal spending
- Governor Nixon has announced that he may veto/withhold \$90 million
 - Tax Amnesty failed to pass
 - Corporate Franchise tax phase out

BUDGET: KEY VICTORIES

- Child Care Assistance Program fully funded (\$188 million)
 - Missouri still ranks near the bottom for this program, however this is one of the few line items that haven't been cut for 3 consecutive years.
- Intensive In-Home Services Funding DOUBLED
- Mega Sales Tax Fails
- TABOR rejected in committee

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HEALTH: VICTORIES

- Farm to Table Advisory Board
- Immunization Changes Rejected

HEALTH: DISAPPOINTMENTS

- CHIP Outreach/Enrollment stripped from HB 555 in the 11th hour by Sen. Ridgeway
- Show Me Health Insurance Exchange Failed to gain support in the Senate

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EARLY CARE & EDUCATION: VICTORIES

- Child Care Assistance Funding Maintained
- Parents as Teachers Funding Increased

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EARLY CARE & EDUCATION: DISAPPOINTMENTS

- National Fingerprint Background Checks
- Child Care Regulation Changes Rejected
 - Sam Pratt's Law
 - Nathan's Law

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SAFETY & SECURITY: VICTORIES

- Foster Parent Recruitment and Retention Fund (HB 431 and HB 604)
- Intensive In-Home Services Funding
DOUBLED
- Amy Hestir Student Protection Act (SB 54)
- Guardian Ad Litem Standards set to be updated

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K-12 EDUCATION: VICTORIES*

- Summer School Funding
- School Foundation Formula Flat Funded

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THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS

- CCO
 - Child Abuse Roundtable
 - Child Care Aware
 - Children's Mercy
 - The Children's Place
 - GKC Chamber of Commerce
 - Missouri Kids First
 - Metropolitan Council on Early Learning
 - MO Budget Project
 - MO Coalition of Children's Agencies
 - MO Health Advocacy Alliance
 - Mother and Child Health Coalition
 - Operation Breakthrough
 - Parents as Teachers
 - Vision for Children at Risk
- PFC's successes are achieved in cooperation with many, many people. Working together, nothing is impossible.*

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LEGISLATIVE PANEL

- Sen. Kiki Curls
- Rep. Ward Franz
- Rep. Bob Nance
- Rep. Mike Talboy

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2011 Legislative Champions

- Sen. Jolie Justus
- Sen. “Kiki” Curls
- Rep. Ward Franz
- Rep. Bob Nance
- Rep. Ryan Silvey
- Rep. Mike Talboy

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