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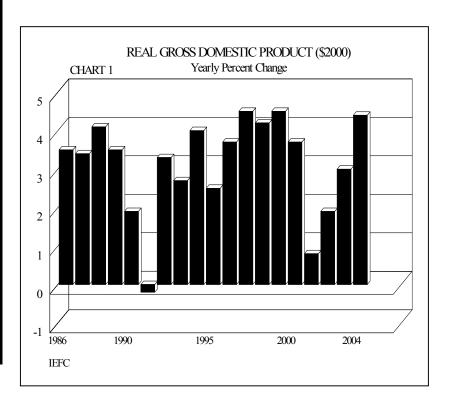
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ECONOMY: All in All, Not A Bad Year

Edward H. Boss, Jr., Chief Economist

The economy in 2004 continued to show improved growth despite many uncertainties, from the war in Iraq to the election, and is expected to record its best performance in five years, as shown in Chart 1. With final data now in for the third quarter, real gross domestic product (GDP) rose at an upwardly revised 4% annual rate, as it emerged from the soft spot the economy hit during the summer. And, with projections of similar growth in the final quarter of calendar 2004, the year's growth of 4.4% would be the highest since the late 1990s. Once again the consumer, which generally accounts for two-thirds of total spending, was the major force. After a sharp slowing to a 1.6% annual rate in the third quarter, real consumer expenditures recovered sharply to record a 5.1% annual rate in the third quarter, and even with the third quarter weakening, is anticipated to be up 3.7% for the year as a whole, the fastest pace since 2000.



Data on consumer spending in the final quarter of the year will not be available for more than a month; even so, there are signs that the all-important holiday buying season did not disappoint. Holiday sales started off strong following Thanksgiving but began to falter and by mid December were described as tepid. A strong last buying spree coupled with minute increased sales and more shopping days this year then provided a nice year-end bounce. Sales for the week ended December 27th were up a strong 5.5% above year-ago levels according to the International Council of Shopping Centers. The National Retail Federation continues to project a 4.5% gain in holiday sales. And, MasterCard said sales were up 6.5% from November 28 through December 24th with total holiday sales rising 8.1%. These sales exclude autos and gasoline purchases but do include Internet sales and purchases of gift cards, which are not recorded at stores until spent. Internet sales soared, up 28%, and there was a reported 20% increase in gift card purchases this year. which are yet to be reflected in store sales figures.

In addition to consumer spending, business spending was a powerful force during the year. Real business nonresidential investment rose at an annual rate of 13% in the third quarter, and for the year as a whole is estimated to have expanded by almost 11%. A primary contributor to this growth was investment in equipment and software. This category of spending rose at a 17.5% annual rate in the third quarter and is estimated to have grown by 13.4% for all of 2004, more than double the rate of increase previous year and

compared to actual declines of about 5% recorded in each of the two prior years. This rate of spending is at its fastest pace since the late 1990s when there was acceleration in activity designed to thwart potential Y2-K difficulties. At the same time, businesses added many fewer inventories in the latest quarter, a factor that subtracted almost 1% from the third quarter rate of GDP advance. With sales likely to have expanded at year-end, inventories may well have to be restocked which would provide a positive factor to growth in the New Year.

nce again, housing played important role in overall economic growth, although it slowed in the second half of the year. Rising interest rates, high prices, and slowing sales of new homes are likely to weaken this sector further in 2005. On the trade front, rising exports helped by a weakening dollar added to growth, offset partially by rising imports, due in part to record high oil prices, which subtract from GDP. Real federal government spending rose slightly above the overall growth rate while state and local expenditures remained constrained by budgetary concerns and showed little gain in inflation-adjusted terms.

All in all, the economy in 2004 turned out to be the best so far in this decade. As we enter the New Year, a number of uncertainties remain and only time and developments will determine the outcome. Even so, at this point, the IEFC forecasting service is characterizing that 2005 will be a good, but not great year, with overall growth somewhat less than in 2004, but above that of the prior three years with the expansion continuing.

INDICATORS OF ILLINOIS ECONOMIC ACTIVITY								
INDICATORS	NOV. 2004	OCT. 2004	NOV. 2003					
Unemployment Rate (Average)	6.0%	6.1%	6.7%					
Annual Rate of Inflation (Chicago)	-0.6%	5.1%	2.7%					
		% CHANGE	% CHANGE					
	LATEST	OVER PRIOR	OVER A					
	MONTH	MONTH	YEAR AGO					
Civilian Labor Force (thousands) (November)	6,424	-0.3%	1.2%					
Employment (thousands) (November)	6,037	-0.2%	1.9%					
New Car & Truck Registration (November)	N/A	N/A	N/A					
Single Family Housing Permits (November)	3,331	-13.2%	15.7%					
Total Exports (\$ mil) (October)	2,733	9.2%	9.3%					
Chicago Purchasing Managers Index (December)	61.2	-6.1%	3.4%					

FEES UNDER SEIGE?

Mike Moore, Revenue Analyst

Thile the floodgates of litigation have not yet opened completely, it appears that several organizations will be challenging the legality of many of the fee increases imposed in FY 2004. One organization, the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, has been successful in blocking the collection of one fee used to fund the Illinois Industrial Commission. A judge ruled in Case No. 04 CH 06750 in Cook County Court that the Industrial Commission Worker's Compensation Surcharge fee was unconstitutional. Monies currently held and collected in the future are now being placed in an escrow account in the State treasury. Thus far \$11.5 million has been placed in the Industrial Commission Surcharge Escrow Fund (#937). surcharge raised around \$30 million last vear. The Illinois Chamber claimed that this was more than double the cost needed to operate the program. The State does plan to appeal the ruling.

Like the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, several banking associations have joined together to file suit relating to fees being assessed on them by the State of Illinois. The Community Bankers Association of

Illinois, the Illinois Credit Union League, and the Illinois League of Financial Institutions filed suit in Sangamon County Court protesting last years fee hike and "sweep" arrangement. These organizations are asking the court to prohibit the collection of these fees in amounts that exceed the cost regulatory oversight. The co-plaintiffs are also asking the court to prohibit "sweeps" and to restore fees which have already been swept and transferred into the General Revenue Fund. According to the lawsuit, about \$6 million in surplus fees were rolled into the general budget.

At this time, it's difficult to gauge the budgetary impact of these fee rulings and filings. If courts continue to rule that these types of fee increases are unconstitutional, then fee revenues will certainly decline. It will be interesting to watch these developments as they continue to unfold and progress through the legal system. One fear from a revenue standpoint is that this will be the beginning of a siege on fees that will severely impact revenue collections.

The first quarter of FY 2005 brought in approximately \$142.8 million, which is an improvement from the same period of FY 2004 in which \$55.8 million

was collected. However, comparing these two time frames is difficult. The first quarter of FY 2004 was fairly weak due to the fact that most fees either had not taken effect, or had time to actually receipt the increased implementations and annualized their estimates. With the beginning of a new

fiscal year, fee revenues should increase simply because fees are now being collected all year.

Below is a chart that details first quarter revenue collections for fees related to new and/or higher fees established under P.A. 93-0032.

Agency	1st Qtr/FY 2005
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency	\$17,070,126.00
Illinois Commerce Commission	\$207,344.00
Department of Natural Resources	\$105,110.00
Office of the State Fire Marshall	\$346,527.00
Department of Revenue (1)	\$3,393,397.80
Secretary of State (2)	\$30,786,000.00
Department of Agriculture	\$252,833.00
Capitol Development Board	\$372,195.00
DFPR/Industrial Commission (3)	\$35,797,954.00
Commercial Distribution Fee (4)	\$54,148,785.00
State Treasurer (5)	\$344,770.00
Illinois Department of Public Health (6)	\$133,002.00
Total Fees from 1 st Qtr FY 2005	\$142,825,174.80

- 1. The Department of Revenue estimate does not include monies collected via delinquent account fees or motor fuel tax prepay.
- 2. The Secretary of State compares the first quarter of FY 2003 with the first quarter of FY 2005. Several of the new fees that fall under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of State have just taken effect.
- 3. Includes fees from the previous Department of Insurance, Office of Banks and Real Estate, and Department of Financial Institutions. Since the majority of fees collected for the Industrial Commission are collected by DFPR, Industrial Commission fees are also included in this line. The DFPR collected \$22.6 million in Worker's Compensation Surcharge in the first quarter of FY 2005. Due to legal rulings monies collected from this fee will be placed in an escrow account in the State Treasury. As of January 3, 2005 roughly \$11.5 million has been transferred into this escrow account. (Fund # 0937 Industrial Commission Surcharge Escrow Fund)
- 4. Commercial Distribution Fee total is current through January 3, 2005.
- 5. Treasurer's totals do not include new monies collected by DUI fine increases. According to the Treasurer no new monies have been received via this fee yet in FY 2005.
- 6. The fee structure for the Illinois Department of Public Health changed due to P.A 93-0841. This new legislation imposed a \$995 flat fee for nursing home licensure, in contrast to a fee based on beds as it was in FY 2004.

^{*}Information for this chart was compiled by data from the Comptroller and information provided to the Commission from various State agencies.

It is difficult at this time to determine the rate at which fee revenues will come in over the remainder of the fiscal year. Some new fees will take effect in January that could increase fee revenues. Meanwhile, as stated

earlier, there are ongoing legal challenges that could reduce the amount of fee revenue collected over the remainder of the fiscal year. Second quarter totals should start to paint a clearer picture of how fees might perform in FY 2005.

YEAR TO DATE FY 2005 SPECIAL TRANSFERS

Lynnae Kapp, Bond Analyst

Special transfers for December administrative chargebacks equaled \$0.1 million, while statutory transfers (fund sweeps) equaled approximately \$41.6 million (including \$1.25 million transferred to

the Common School Fund). The Special Transfers year-to-date total is approximately \$301.9 million, consisting of \$51.6 million in Administrative chargebacks and \$250.3 million in statutory transfers. Total FY 2005 statutory transfers will be \$265.4 million by the end of the fiscal year.

	Special Transfers in FY 2005 YTD as of 12/31/2004							
	Special Hungiers in 1	2000 112	Statute (Funds		Fee			
FUND #	FUND NAME	Chargebacks	Sweep)	Order 10	Increase	TOTAL		
0014	Food & Drug Safety		\$817,000			\$817,000		
0018	Transportation Regulatory Fund	\$97,549				\$2,476,549		
0021	Financial Institution Fund	\$315,981	\$2,003,000			\$2,318,981		
0022	General Professions Dedicated Fund	\$59,799	\$497,000			\$556,799		
0026	Live & Learn Fund	\$1,096,866	62.067.000			\$1,096,866		
0031	Drivers Education IL Veterans' Rehabilitation	\$581,162 \$70,994	\$2,967,000			\$3,548,162		
0036 0039	State Boating Act	\$70,994	\$1,072,000			\$70,994 \$1,323,497		
0039	Lobbyist Registration Administration Fund	\$231,497	\$163,000			\$163,000		
0044	Agricultural Premium Fund	\$457,886	\$7,777,000			\$8,234,886		
0050	Mental Health	\$2,086,290	\$7,777,000			\$2,086,290		
0059	Public Utility	\$934.519	\$8,202,000			\$9,136,519		
0067	Radiation Protection	******	\$750,000			\$750,000		
0078	Solid Waste Management	\$317,419	\$10,084,000			\$10,401,419		
0089	Subtitle D Management Fund	\$100,439	\$2,706,000			\$2,806,439		
0129	State Gaming Fund	\$4,549,590				\$4,549,590		
0137	Plugging & Restoration		\$1,255,000			\$1,255,000		
0147	Coal Mining Regulatory Fund	\$2,755				\$2,755		
0151	Registered CPA Administration & Disciplinary Fund		\$819,000			\$819,000		
0163	Weights and Measures	\$131,345	\$1,800,000			\$1,931,345		
0167	Registered Limited Liability Partnership Fund	\$24,560	\$356,000			\$380,560		
0184	Violence Prevention Fund	\$48,630				\$48,630		
0185	SOS Special License Plate Fund		\$856,000			\$856,000		
0207	Pollution Control Board State Trust Fund	\$19,751	0105.000			\$19,751		
0213	Response Contractors Indemnification Fund	6200.222	\$107,000			\$107,000		
0214 0215	Brownfields Redevelopment Fund Capital Development Board Revolving	\$309,322	\$1,229,000			\$309,322		
0213	Professions Indirect Cost Fund	\$341,483	\$1,229,000			\$1,229,000 \$380,483		
0222	State Police DUI Fund	\$22,971	\$39,000			\$22,971		
0224	Asbestos Abatement Fund	\$104,559				\$104,559		
0238	IL Health Facilities Planning Fund	Ψ101,337	\$2,351,000			\$2,351,000		
0248	Racing Board Fingerprint License Fund	\$2,804	Ψ2,351,000			\$2,804		
0251	Dept. of Labor Special State Trust Fund	\$8,235				\$8,235		
0258	Nurse Dedicated & Professional Fund	\$203,445				\$203,445		
0259	Optometric Licensing & Disciplinary Committee Fund		\$1,121,000			\$1,121,000		
0265	State Rail Freight Loan Repayment Fund	\$275,565	\$3,500,000			\$3,775,565		
0272	LaSalle Veterans Home Fund	\$36,434				\$36,434		
0273	Anna Veterans Home Fund	\$148,628				\$148,628		
0274	Self-Insurers Administration Fund	\$14,008				\$14,008		
0276	Drunk & Drugged Driving Prevention Fund	\$99,517				\$99,517		
0280	IL Racing Board Grant Fund	\$24,902	A1 500 000			\$24,902		
0281	IL Tax Increment	\$853,806	\$1,500,000			\$2,353,806		
0285 0286	Long-Term Care Monitor/Receiver Fund IL Affordable Housing Trust	\$51,192 \$243,489				\$51,192		
0286	Fertilizer Control Fund	\$16,632				\$243,489 \$16,632		
0290	Securities Investors Education Fund	\$186,442	\$3,271,000			\$3,457,442		
0294	Used Tire Management Fund	Ψ100,742	\$3,271,000			\$3,437,442		
0295	SOS Interagency Grant Fund	\$2,043	Ψ2,270,000			\$2,043		
0298	Natural Areas Acquisition Fund	\$762,295				\$762,295		
0299	Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development	\$1,303,203				\$1,303,203		
0301	Working Capital Revolving Fund		\$12,000,000			\$12,000,000		
0323	Motor Vehicle Review Board Fund	\$8,821				\$8,821		
0342	Audit Expense		\$1,237,000			\$1,237,000		
	Care Providers for Persons w/ Developmental							
0344	Disabilities	\$1,212,397				\$1,212,397		
0362	Securities Audit and Enforcement		\$14,000,000			\$14,000,000		
0363	Dept. Business Service Spec. Ops Fund	\$261,447	\$524,000			\$785,447		
0373	State Treasurer's Bank Service	\$1,099		ļ		\$1,099		
	Insurance Premium Tax Refund Fund Corporate Franchise Tax Refund Fund	\$292,099	\$2,500,000			\$2,792,099		
0378	H ornorate Franchice Tay Patund Fund		\$1,000,000		-	\$1,000,000		
0380		6200 074	00 512 000					
0380 0384	Tax Compliance & Administration	\$300,974						
0380 0384 0386	Tax Compliance & Administration Appraisal Administration	\$33,790	\$1,107,000			\$1,140,790		
0380 0384	Tax Compliance & Administration		\$1,107,000			\$9,813,974 \$1,140,790 \$5,063,408 \$21,605		

			Statute (Funds	Executive	Fee	
FUND #	FUND NAME	Chargebacks	Sween)	Order 10		TOTAL
0452	IL Tourism Tax	\$148.097	Sweep	Oruci 10	Increase	\$148,097
0483	Secretary of State Special Services	\$43,943	\$600,000			\$643,943
0502	Early Intervention Services Revolving Fund	\$743,449	4,,,,,,,,			\$743,449
0514	State Asset Forfeiture Fund		\$1,500,000			\$1,500,000
0520	Federal Asset Forfeiture Fund		\$1,500,000			\$1,500,000
0523	Department of Corrections Reimbursement		\$14,500,000			\$14,500,000
0530	Grape & Wine Resources Fund		\$1,000,000			\$1,000,000
0536	LEADS Maintenance		\$2,000,000			\$2,000,000
0537	State Offender DNA ID System Fund		\$250,000			\$250,000
0548	Drycleaner Environ Response Fund	\$272,563				\$272,563
0552	Workforce, Technology & Econ. Dvlpmt Fund		\$250,000			\$250,000
0564	Renewable Energy Resources Trust Fund		\$5,000,000			\$5,000,000
0571	Energy Efficiency Trust Fund	\$194,091	\$3,040,000			\$3,234,091
0576	Pesticide Control	\$38,899				\$38,899
0608	Conservation 2000		\$7,439,000			\$7,439,000
0612	Wireless Service Emergency Fund	\$253,973				\$253,973
0632	Horse Racing		\$2,500,000			\$2,500,000
0634	IL Aquaculture Develop Fund	0.50, 0.50	\$1,067,020			\$1,067,020
0637	State Police Wireless Service Emergency Fund	\$52,862	\$500,000			\$552,862
0642	DHS State Projects Fund	\$105,712				\$105,712
0648 0649	Downstate Public Transportation Motor Carrier Safety Inspection	\$764,939				\$764,939
0650	Municipal Economic Development Fund	\$90,277 \$14,796				\$90,277
0669	Airport Land Loan Revolving Fund	\$14,796				\$14,796 \$212
0705	Whistleblower Reward & Protection Fund	\$212	\$750,000			
0703	IL Standardbred Breeders Fund	\$32,787	\$730,000			\$750,000 \$32,787
0708	Drug Rebate Fund	\$6,757,347				\$6,757,347
0732	SOS DUI Administration Fund	\$52,699	\$582,000			\$634,699
0733	Tobacco Settlement Recovery	\$32,077	\$19,400,000			\$19,400,000
0743	Statewide Economic Development Fund		\$4,329,246			\$4,329,246
0763	Tourism Promotion	\$52,796	\$1,327,210			\$52,796
0770	Digital Divide Elimination Fund	\$403,523				\$403,523
0776	Presidential Library and Museum Fund	ψ.05,525	\$500,000			\$500,000
0795	Bank & Trust Company	\$1,204,710	7,000			\$1,204,710
0808	Medical Special Purpose Trust Fund	\$83,223	\$967,000			\$1,050,223
0821	Dram Shop		\$1,000,000			\$1,000,000
0840	Hazardous Waste Research Fund	\$12,672				\$12,672
0850	Real Estate License Administration	\$103,472				\$103,472
0863	Cycle Rider Safety Training	\$81,636				\$81,636
0884	DNR Special Projects Fund	\$91,281				\$91,281
0888	Design Professionals Administration & Investigation		\$1,172,000			\$1,172,000
0905	IL Forestry Development Fund		\$1,257,000			\$1,257,000
0906	State Police Services	\$596,452	\$250,000	ļ		\$846,452
0907	Health Insurance Reserve	\$12,874,230		ļ		\$12,874,230
0920	Metabolic Screening & Treatment Fund		\$3,435,000			\$3,435,000
0921	DHS Recoveries Trust	\$315,318	* · · · ·	<u> </u>		\$315,318
0922	Insurance Producer Administration	\$121,724	\$12,727,000			\$12,848,724
0925	Coal Technology Development Assistance Fund	\$176,342				\$176,342
0942	Radioactive Waste Facility Development & Operation	ļ	\$2,202,000	ļ		\$2,202,000
	Low-Level Radioactive Waste Facility Closure, Post-					
0943	Closure Care & Compensation		\$6,000,000			\$6,000,000
0944	Environmental Protection Permit & Inspection		\$874,000			\$874,000
0955	Tech Innovation & Commercialization Fund		\$76,729			\$76,729
0962	Park & Conservation	0.500 405	\$1,000,000	—		\$1,000,000
0969	Local Tourism Fund	\$502,405		-		\$502,405
0982	IL Beach Marina	\$50,000	61 022 000			\$50,000
0993	Public Infrastructure Construction Loan	\$23,579	\$1,822,000	 		\$1,845,579
0997	Insurance Financial Regulation	\$1,721,874	6202 260 605	60	0.0	\$1,721,874
	TOTAL School Technology Revolving Loan Fund to Common	\$51,565,254	\$202,269,995	\$0	\$0	\$253,835,249
0569	School Fund School Fund		¢48 025 000			\$48 025 000
0309	General Funds TOTAL	\$51,565,254	\$48,025,000 \$250,294,995		\$0	\$48,025,000 \$301,860,249
	I General Fullus I O I AL	\$31,305,234	3430,494,993	30	20	JJU1,000,249

BOND SALE TRANSPARENCY

Lynnae Kapp, Bond Analyst

P.A. 93-0839 (SB 2206) requires the Governor's Office of Management and Budget to disclose of bond deals beginning in FY 2005. The November 2004 General Obligation bonds issued totaled \$275 million. The 25-year

bonds will be paid off using level principal debt service payments. The following table lists the costs of issuance. Of the expected \$1 billion in total FY 2005 bond sales estimated by the Office of Management and Budget, approximately \$560 million has been sold, with the September issue meeting the competitive sale requirement of the Public Act.

Line Item		Status	Participation Percentage	Amount	Total
Underwriting Syndicate	Morgan Stanley		36.4%	240,300.00	
	Lehman Brothers Ramirez & Co.	MBE	29.7% 10.5%	195,942.50 69,335.00	
	Cabrera Capital Markets	MBE	4.3%	28,480.00	
	Siebert Brandford	MBE	10.0%	65,752.50	
	First Mid state	MDL	5.2%	34,030.00	
	SBK Brooks	MBE	4.0%	26,160.00	660,000.00
Jnderwriting Expenses	Bond Market Association Fee			8,250.00	
Silder Willing Expenses	Dalnet Wire Charges			210.00	
	Dalnet Usage Fee			16,500.00	
	DTC Fee			275.00	
	CUSIP			670.50	
	Day Loan on Gross Proceeds			8,272.09	
	Conference Calls & Misc.			197.41	34,375.00
Bond Counsel	Arnstein & Lehr			43,500.00	
Co-Bond Counsel	Pugh, Jones, Johnson & Quandt	MBE		12,375.00	
Jnderwriters Counsel	Freeborn & Peters			28,875.00	
Co-Underwriters Counsel	Burris, Wright, Slaughter & Tom	MBE		8,662.50	93,412.50
Financial Advisor	Mesirow Financial			78,250.00	
Market Pricing Advisor	Delphis Hanover Corporation			18,750.00	97,000.00
Rating Agencies	Moody's Investor Services			30.000.00	
3 3	Standard and Poor's			25,000.00	
	Fitch Ratings			21,500.00	76,500.00
orinting & shipping	lmage Master			6,367.82	6,367.82
Total Expenses (Excluding Bo	nd Insurance)				967,655.32
	Maximum Allowable Expenses (Par a	mount x 0.5%)		1,375,000.00	
Sond Insurance	AMBAC			614,021.10	614,021.10
Total Expenses (Including Bon	d Insurance)				1,581,676.42
MBE FIRM SUBTOTALS	Un derwriting		28.7%	189,727.50	
	Legal		22.5%	21,037.50	
	Financial Advisory		0.0%	-	210,765.00

^{*}MBE stands for minority business enterprises. State law requires a minimum amount of all state contracts to be with businesses owned by minorities, females, and persons with disabilities.

REVENUE

Revenues Rise in December

Jim Muschinske, Revenue Manager

¬ eneral receipts in revenue JDecember, excluding Budget Stabilization Fund and Pension Contribution Fund transfers, increased by \$238 million. A strong month for federal sources as well as higher transfers related to statutory "funds sweeps" resulted in the gain. December had one less receipting day than the same month last year.

While overall monthly receipts were up due to federal sources and transfers, only a few sources experienced gains. Inheritance tax posted a \$13 million increase, while liquor tax receipts rose \$3 million. Insurance taxes and fees managed a \$2 million increase and interest earnings eked out a \$1 million gain.

Of the decliners, gross personal income tax experienced the largest loss as receipts fell \$26 million, although on a net of refund basis that drop moderated to \$12 million. Other sources fell \$14 million, while sales tax receipts slipped \$9 million. Corporate franchise taxes and fees dipped \$6 million as gross corporate income tax receipts eased \$4 million (although on a net of income basis actually posted a \$15 million gain). Finally, public utility tax receipts suffered a modest \$2 million loss.

Overall transfers increased \$58 million in December. The increase was attributed to a \$42 million increase in other transfers due to statutory funds sweeps. Lottery transfers contributed \$16 million to the monthly advance as riverboat transfers and receipts were flat.

Finally, as mentioned earlier, federal sources experienced an increase in December, rising \$189 million.

Based on information provided from the Comptroller's Office, as of January 4, 2005 \$1.611 billion in bills are awaiting payment, of which \$495 million are Medicaid bills. December ended with a general funds balance of \$251 million, of which the General Revenue Fund represented only \$25 million (the remaining balance of \$226 million was comprised of education funds).

Year to Date

Through the first half of FY 2005, excluding Budget Stabilization and Pension Contribution funds transfers, receipts were up \$260 million over the same period of last fiscal year. With a few exceptions, virtually all revenue sources continue to experience gains over the same period of last year.

Tross personal income receipts have Contributed the most to the year to date increase with receipts posting gains of \$105 million, or \$149 million net of refunds. Sales tax revenue is up \$100 million while other sources experienced a \$73 million increase. Due to a distribution change in FY 2005, cigarette tax receipts are up \$50 million. Inheritance tax is ahead by \$38 million, and all other sources experiencing gains contributed an additional \$56 million. Only four sources declined thus far in FY 2005 with gross corporate income tax off \$50 million, although on a net or refund basis receipts are actually up \$8 million. Public utility taxes are off \$10 million, and both interest income and vehicle use taxes are each down \$2 million

Overall transfers in the first six months of the fiscal year are up \$563 million. However, \$434 of that gain was due to transfers from the Medicaid Provider Relief Fund resulting from last fiscal year's short-term borrowing. Excluding that transfer, all other transfers would be up \$129 million, comprised of an increase of \$92 million in other transfers, a \$30

million increase in lottery transfers, and a \$7 million increase in riverboat transfers and receipts.

While federal sources are down \$763 million over the first six months, \$434 million in transfers in from the Medicaid Provider Fund could be considered "federal money" as it represents the federal reimbursement stemming from spending made available due to last year's short-term borrowing. If viewed in that context, the year-over-year decline in federal sources would be lessened to \$329 million; with that decline being attributed mostly to \$422 million in flexible federal grants received last fiscal year.

GENERAL FUNDS RECEIPTS: DECEMBER

FY 2005 vs. FY 2004 (\$ million)

D C	DEC.	DEC.	\$ CHANCE	%
Revenue Sources	FY 2005	FY 2004	CHANGE	CHANGE
State Taxes Personal Income Tax	\$669	\$695	(\$26)	-3.7%
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Corporate Income Tax (regular) Sales Taxes	589	598	(\$4)	-1.9% -1.5%
			(\$9)	-1.5% -1.7%
Public Utility Taxes (regular)	117 33	119 33	(\$2)	
Cigarette Tax		10	\$0 \$3	0.0% 30.0%
Liquor Gallonage Taxes	13			
Vehicle Use Tax	3	3	\$0	0.0%
Inheritance Tax (Gross)	25	12	\$13	108.3%
Insurance Taxes and Fees	74	72	\$2	2.8%
Corporate Franchise Tax & Fees	11	17	(\$6)	-35.3%
Interest on State Funds & Investments	6	5	\$1	20.0%
Cook County IGT	23	23	\$0	0.0%
Other Sources	23	37	(\$14)	-37.8%
Subtotal	\$1,798	\$1,840	(\$42)	-2.3%
Transfers				
Lottery	65	49	\$16	32.7%
Riverboat transfers & receipts	75	75	\$0	0.0%
Medicaid Provider Relief Fund	0	N/A	\$0	N/A
Other	64	22	\$42	190.9%
Total State Sources	\$2,002	\$1,986	\$16	0.8%
Federal Sources	\$463	\$274	\$189	69.0%
Total Federal & State Sources	\$2,465	\$2,260	\$205	9.1%
Nongeneral Funds Distribution:				
Refund Fund				
Personal Income Tax	(\$67)	(\$81)	\$14	-17.3%
Corporate Income Tax	(\$51)	(70)	\$19	-27.1%
Subtotal General Funds	\$2,347	\$2,109	\$238	11.3%
Budget Stabilization Fund Transfer	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
Pension Contribution Fund Transfer	\$0	\$148	(\$148)	N/A
Total General Funds	\$2,347	\$2,257	\$90	4.0%
IEFC SOURCE: Office of the Comptroller: Some to	otals may not equal, d	lue to rounding		4-Jan-05

GENERAL FUNDS RECEIPTS: YEAR TO DATE

FY 2005 vs. FY 2004 (\$ million)

Revenue Sources State Taxes	FY 2005	FY 2004	CHANGE FROM FY 2004	% CHANGE
Personal Income Tax	\$3,715	\$3,610	\$105	2.9%
Corporate Income Tax (regular)	557	607	(\$50)	-8.2%
Sales Taxes	3,333	3,233	\$100	3.1%
Public Utility Taxes (regular)	511	521	(\$10)	-1.9%
Cigarette Tax	250	200	\$50	25.0%
Liquor Gallonage Taxes	76	64	\$12	18.8%
Vehicle Use Tax	17	19	(\$2)	-10.5%
Inheritance Tax (Gross)	138	100	\$38	38.0%
Insurance Taxes and Fees	168	153	\$15	9.8%
Corporate Franchise Tax & Fees	87	75	\$12	16.0%
Interest on State Funds & Investments	28	30	(\$2)	-6.7%
Cook County IGT	193	176	\$17	9.7%
Other Sources	188	115	\$73	63.5%
Subtotal	\$9,261	\$8,903	\$358	4.0%
Transfers				
Lottery	280	250	\$30	12.0%
Riverboat transfers & receipts	402	395	\$7	1.8%
Medicaid Provider Relief Fund	434	0	\$434	N/A
Other	422	330	\$92	27.9%
Total State Sources	\$10,799	\$9,878	\$921	9.3%
Federal Sources	\$2,108	\$2,871	(\$763)	-26.6%
Total Federal & State Sources	\$12,907	\$12,749	\$158	1.2%
Nongeneral Funds Distribution:				
Refund Fund				
Personal Income Tax	(\$378)	(\$422)	\$44	-10.4%
Corporate Income Tax	(\$138)	(\$196)	\$58	-29.6%
Subtotal General Funds	\$12,391	\$12,131	\$260	2.1%
Budget Stabilization Fund Transfer	\$276	\$226	\$50	22.1%
Pension Contribution Fund Transfer	\$0	\$965	(\$965)	N/A
Total General Funds	\$12,667	\$13,322	(\$655)	-4.9%
SOURCE: Office of the Comptroller, State of Illinoi IEFC	s: Some totals may not	t equal, due to roun	ding.	4-Jan-05

GENERAL FUNDS GROWTH NEEDED TO MEET ESTIMATE FY 2005 ESTIMATE vs. FY 2004 ACTUAL (\$ million)

D 0	Aug-04 ESTIMATE	FYTD	AMOUNT NEEDED	FYTD	GROWTH	% CHANCE
Revenue Sources State Taxes	FY 2005	2005	F <u>Y 2005 ES</u> T.	2004	NEEDED	CHANGE
Personal Income Tax	\$8,572	\$3,715	\$4,857	\$3,610	\$232	5.0%
	1,308	557	\$4,837 \$751	607	(\$21)	-2.7%
Corporate Income Tax (regular) Sales Taxes	6,457	3,333	\$3,124	3,233	\$21) \$26	0.8%
Public Utility Taxes (regular)	1,090	5,333	\$5,124 \$579	5,233	\$20 \$21	3.8%
Cigarette Tax	450	250	\$200	200	\$21 \$0	0.0%
Liquor Gallonage Taxes	147	76	\$200 \$71	64	\$0 \$8	12.7%
Vehicle Use Tax	35	17	\$18	19	\$8 \$2	12.7%
Inheritance Tax (Gross)	265	138	\$127	100	\$2 \$5	4.1%
Insurance Taxes and Fees	371	168	\$203	153	(\$6)	-2.9%
Corporate Franchise Tax & Fees	168	87	\$81	75	(\$0)	-8.0%
Interest on State Funds & Investments	54	28	\$26	30	\$1	4.0%
Cook County IGT	450	193	\$257	176	\$5	2.0%
Other Sources	500	188	\$312	115	(\$12)	-3.7%
Subtotal	\$19,867	\$9,261	\$10,606	\$8,903	\$254	2.5%
Transfers	, ,,,,,,,	***,	, ,,,,,,,	,	* -	
Lottery	575	280	\$295	250	(\$25)	-7.8%
Riverboat transfers & receipts	642	402	\$240	395	(\$26)	-9.8%
Medicaid Provider Relief Fund	433	434	(\$1)	0	N/A	N/A
Other	1,044	422	\$622	330	(\$207)	-25.0%
Total State Sources	\$22,561	\$10,799	\$11,762	\$9,878	(\$5)	0.0%
Federal Sources	\$4,255	\$2,108	\$2,147	\$2,871	(\$171)	-7.4%
Total Federal & State Sources	\$26,816	\$12,907	\$13,909	\$12,749	(\$176)	-1.2%
Nongeneral Funds Distribution:						
Refund Fund						
Personal Income Tax	(\$864)	(\$378)	(\$486)	(\$422)	\$56	-10.3%
Corporate Income Tax	(318)	(\$138)	(\$180)	(196)	\$66	-26.8%
Subtotal General Funds	\$25,634	\$12,391	\$13,243	\$12,131	(\$54)	-0.4%
Budget Stabilization Fund Transfer	\$276	\$276	\$0	\$226	\$0	N/A
Pension Contribution Fund Transfer	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$965	(\$430)	-100.0%
Total General Funds	\$25,910	\$12,667	\$13,243	\$13,322	(\$484)	-3.5%
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GENERAL FUNDS PERFORMANCE TO DATE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF MANANGEMENT AND BUDGET

FY 2005 ESTIMATE vs. FY 2004 ACTUALS (\$ million)

	*GOMB					
	AUG-04		AMOUNT			
	Estimate	FYTD	NEEDED	FYTD	GROWTH	%
Revenue Sources	FY 2005	2005	F <u>Y 2005 Est</u> .	2004	NEEDED	CHANGE
State Taxes						
Personal Income Tax	\$8,406	\$3,715	\$4,691	\$3,610	\$66	1.4%
Corporate Income Tax (regular)	1,129	557	\$572	607	(\$200)	-25.9%
Sales Taxes	6,431	3,333	\$3,098	3,233	\$0	0.0%
Public Utility Taxes (regular)	1,102	511	\$591	521	\$33	5.9%
Cigarette Tax	400	250	\$150	200	(\$50)	-25.0%
Liquor Gallonage Taxes	147	76	\$71	64	\$8	12.7%
Vehicle Use Tax	37	17	\$20	19	\$4	25.0%
Inheritance Tax (Gross)	240	138	\$102	100	(\$20)	-16.4%
Insurance Taxes and Fees	347	168	\$179	153	(\$30)	-14.4%
Corporate Franchise Tax & Fees	175	87	\$88	75	\$0	0.0%
Interest on State Funds & Investments	45	28	\$17	30	(\$8)	-32.0%
Cook County IGT	450	193	\$257	176	\$5	2.0%
Other Sources	732	188	\$544	115	\$220	67.9%
Subtotal	\$19,641	\$9,261	\$10,380	\$8,903	\$28	0.3%
Transfers						
Lottery	578	280	\$298	250	(\$22)	-6.9%
Gaming Fund Transfer	653	402	\$251	395	(\$15)	-5.6%
Medicaid Provider Relief Fund Other	433 1,154	434 422	(\$1) \$732	0 330	N/A (\$97)	N/A -11.7%
Total State Sources	\$22,459	\$10,799	\$11,660	\$9,878	(\$107)	-0.9%
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Federal Sources	\$4,255	\$2,108	\$2,147	\$2,871	(\$171)	-7.4%
Total Federal & State Sources	\$26,714	\$12,907	\$13,807	\$12,749	(\$278)	-2.0%
Nongeneral Funds Distribution:						
Refund Fund						
Personal Income Tax	(\$841)	(\$378)	(\$463)	(\$422)	\$79	-14.6%
Corporate Income Tax	(271)	(138)	(\$133)	(196)	\$113	-45.9%
Subtotal General Funds	\$25,602	\$12,391	\$13,211	\$12,131	(\$86)	-0.6%
Budget Stabilization Fund Transfer	\$276	\$276	\$0	\$226	\$0	N/A
Pension Contribution Fund Transfer	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$965	(\$430)	-100.0%
Total General Funds	\$25,878	\$12,667	\$13,211	\$13,322	(\$516)	-3.8%
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^{*} The GOMB forecast includes the \$433 million from the Medicaid Provider Fund in their estimate of federal sources. The Comptroller's Office records that money as a transfer in. For comparison purposes, the GOMB's federal source estimate was adjusted to take this into account [\$4.255 billion + \$433 million = \$4.688 billion].

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PENSIONS Growth in FY 2006 GRF for Retirement

Tim Blair, Pension Manager

The Illinois Economic and Fiscal Commission has estimated the growth in retirement-related GRF from FY 2005 to FY 2006 to be \$633.0 million. This estimate assumes the

historical practice of reporting all non-SPF employer contributions to SERS as GRF would be continued into the future. But, as the amount of non-GRF employer contributions to SERS approaches 35% to 40% annually, an alternative estimate of the GRF increase from FY 2005 to FY 2006 may be helpful in the FY 2006 budgetary process.

Table 1									
FY 2005 Retirement Appropriations									
					5	(1+5)			
	1	2	3	4	DEBT	TOTAL			
	GRF/CSF	SPF	NON-GRF	TOTAL	SERVICE	GRF			
TRS	\$907.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$907.0	\$293.7	\$1,200.7			
SERS	369.6	0.0	199.0	\$568.6	-42.4	\$1,200.7			
SURS	47.4	222.6	0.0	\$270.0	97.2	\$144.6			
JRS	15.1	16.9	0.0	\$32.0	9.6	\$24.7			
GARS	2.2	2.5	0.0	\$4.7	1.8	\$4.0			
TOTAL	\$1,341.3	\$242.0	\$199.0	\$1,782.3	\$359.9	\$1,701.2			
GRF Transfe	er to SPF					<u>80.0</u>			
Total FY 200	05 GRF					\$1,781.2			

Table 2									
FY 2006 Retirement Certifications									
					5	(1+5)			
	1	2	3	4	DEBT	TOTAL			
	GRF/CSF	SPF	NON-GRF	TOTAL	SERVICE	GRF			
TRS	\$1,058.5	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$1,058.5	\$293.7	\$1,352.2			
SERS	493.5	0.0	265.8	\$759.3	24.8	\$518.3			
SURS	244.7	80.0	0.0	\$324.7	97.2	\$341.9			
JRS	38.0	0.0	0.0	\$38.0	9.6	\$47.6			
GARS	5.5	0.0	0.0	\$5.5	1.8	\$7.3			
TOTAL	\$1,840.2	\$80.0	\$265.8	\$2,186.0	\$427.1	\$2,267.3			
GRF Growth - Transfer Not Included as GRF Spending			\$566.2						
GRF Growt	h - Transfer Includ	ed as GRF	Spending	\$486.2					

As the amount of non-GRF contributions to SERS is expected to increase from \$199.0 million in FY 2005 to \$265.8 million in FY 2006, the increase in GRF in FY 2006 is expected to be \$566.2 million. These non-GRF contributions are essentially employer contributions to SERS from all other Funds, including Federal Funds. In addition, if the FY 2005

transfer of \$80 million from GRF to SPF is considered FY 2005 GRF spending, the actual GRF increase in FY 2006 is expected to be \$486.2 million. It should be noted that TRS and SURS also receive employer contributions from Federal and Trust Funds. Unlike SERS, these two systems exclude expected Federal and Trust contributions from the certified contribution amounts.