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### MEMORANDUM

**To: Members of the House Republican Caucus**  
**Re: The Case for ~~Cutting~~ Preventing Increased Spending**

Type of Tax Cut	\$ of tax decreases (in millions)	
Rate Cuts	\$ 3,633.1	
Withholding Cuts	\$ 994.5	
\$2M Business Exemption	\$ 696.0	
Low Income Exemption ^	\$ 372.0	
Lower Minimum CAT	\$ 29.5	
<b>Total Tax Cuts</b>	<b>\$ 5,725.1</b>	
Type of Tax Increase	\$ of Tax Increases (in millions)	% of Total Increases
Retirement Income Changes	\$ 318.4	5.56%
Sales Tax Rate ^ (on new base)*	\$ 1,638.6	28.62%
Cable, Parking & Travel	\$ 192.8	3.37%
Other Sales Tax on Services	\$ 564.5	9.86%
Reduce Car/Boat Trade-In Credit	\$ 175.4	3.06%
Vendor Discount Cap	\$ 50.7	0.89%
CAT rate^*	\$ 720.9	12.59%
Cigarette Tax^*	\$ 652.1	11.39%
Cigarette Floor-Stock Tax	\$ 100.0	1.75%
No Early Pay Discount, Cig. Tax	\$ 39.0	0.68%
Other Tobacco Products Rate^	\$ 170.1	2.97%
Vapor Products Tax	\$ 22.3	0.39%
"Fracking Tax" @ 6.5%	\$ 259.9	4.54%
No Early Pay Disc., Beer/Wine	\$ 3.0	0.05%
<b>Total Tax Increases</b>	<b>\$ 4,907.7</b>	<b>85.72%</b>
Gap in cost of tax cuts and revenue of tax increases	\$ 817.4	14.28%

Source: Blue Book. Compiled by Don Mottley, /Taft.

Many tax increases cost businesses & people a lot of money; however, as a % of total revenue raised by all increases, it contributes very little. 52% from CAT, cigarette & sales increases

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### GFR Recommended Appropriations (dollars in millions) State Only

Function	FY 2015 Estimate	FY 2016	% Change	FY 2017	% Change
Primary and Secondary Education	\$7,256.00	\$7,697.20	6.10%	\$8,041.60	4.50%
Higher Education	\$2,379.90	\$2,428.30	2.00%	\$2,487.19	2.50%
Other Education	\$442.10	\$470.10	6.30%	\$478.10	1.70%
Medicaid	\$5,714.80	\$5,968.50	4.40%	\$6,334.00	6.10%
Health and Human Services	\$1,296.50	\$1,342.90	3.60%	\$1,362.40	1.50%
Justice and Public Protection	\$2,006.80	\$2,062.90	2.80%	\$2,116.70	2.60%
General Government	\$911.50	\$914.80	0.40%	\$938.00	2.50%
General Revenue Distributions	\$1,812.20	\$1,846.50	1.90%	\$1,877.10	1.70%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$21,819.70</b>	<b>\$22,731.00</b>	<b>4.20%</b>	<b>\$23,635.70</b>	<b>4.00%</b>

- If spending were held stagnant at FY 2015 levels, with no increases, the state would save a total of \$2.727 Billion. This accounts for \$911 Million in FY16 and \$1.816 Billion in FY17. As a reminder, this is just state GRF money - not total GRF, not all state funds, not all funds.
- This means if we were to just hold spending stagnant at FY 2015 and increase no taxes, we could pay for 47.6% of the tax cuts.
- Or, this means if we were to hold spending stagnant at FY 2015 and keep all the tax cuts at current proposed levels, we could prevent 55.6% of the tax increases.

**Summary: There are other ways to pay for cutting taxes than cutting spending. We do not even have to consider cutting any spending to pay for most of these tax cuts; we just have to prevent increased spending.**