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Proposed Funding Scenario

Strategy	Source	Revenue Millions	Shortfall Millions
IMMEDIATELY 129TH - 2ND YEAR			332,000,000
GF Transfer/Vehicle Sales Tax	GF Transfer	60,000,000	272,000,000
Revenue Forecast Surplus	Draw down Surplus	60,000,000	212,000,000
Fuel Tax Increase	7 Cent Increase (CPI/Inflation adjustment)	49,000,000	163,000,000
Rural Fuel Tax Rebate	50000 ?? returns @ \$40	(2,000,000)	165,000,000
State Line Prorations	Graduated Tax at Pumps ????	(1,000,000)	166,000,000
EVT/Hybrid User Fee (800 Est.)	\$200 yr due with Registration	600,000	165,400,000
Bridge Repair Initiative (5yr)	Bond additional 50 Million - Add to 100 M Bond	50,000,000	115,400,000
Bond Package/Federal Support Increase	Pressure for more increase (Congressional Cont.)	115,400,000	0
Establish ME1st Commission	Extend BRCT ??		
Bonding Reform Program	.02 cent increase in Fuel tax over next 6 years =90 M		

Strategy	Source	Revenue Millions	Shortfall Millions	2nd Year	Shortfall Millions	131st Sessio Shortfall Millions	2nd Year	Shortfall Millions	132nd Sessio Shortfall Millions	2nd Year	Shortfall Millions
130TH			283,000,000		268,000,000		253,000,000		238,000,000		223,000,000
GF Transfer/Vehicle Sales Tax	GF Transfer	80,000,000	203,000,000	100,000,000	168,000,000	120,000,000	133,000,000	140,000,000	98,000,000	160,000,000	63,000,000
Tire Tax	Surcharge on Tire Purchase (\$??)	10,000,000	193,000,000	10,000,000	158,000,000	10,000,000	123,000,000	10,000,000	88,000,000	10,000,000	53,000,000
Vehicle Impact Fee	1 Million Registrations at \$25 each	25,000,000	168,000,000	25,000,000	133,000,000	25,000,000	98,000,000	25,000,000	63,000,000	25,000,000	28,000,000
Rural Fuel Tax Rebate	50000 ?? returns @ \$40	(2,000,000)	170,000,000	(2,000,000)	135,000,000	(2,000,000)	100,000,000	(2,000,000)	65,000,000	(2,000,000)	30,000,000
State Line Prorations	Graduated Tax at Pumps ????	(1,000,000)	171,000,000	(1,000,000)	136,000,000	(1,000,000)	101,000,000	(1,000,000)	66,000,000	(1,000,000)	31,000,000
EVT/Hybrid User Fee (800 Est.)	\$200 yr due with Registration	600,000	170,400,000	600,000	135,400,000	600,000	100,400,000	600,000	65,400,000	600,000	30,400,000
Bridge Repair Initiative	Bond additional 50 Million	50,000,000	120,400,000	50,000,000	85,400,000	50,000,000	50,400,000	50,000,000	15,400,000	15,000,000	15,400,000
Bonding Reform Program	.02 cent increase in Fuel tax over next 6 years =90 M	15,000,000	105,400,000	15,000,000	70,400,000	15,000,000	35,400,000	15,000,000	400,000	15,000,000	400,000
Fuel Tax Increase			105,400,000		70,400,000		35,400,000		400,000		400,000
Bonding/Federal Support Increase	Pressure for more increase (Congressional Cont.)	105,400,000	0	70,400,000	0	35,400,000	0	400,000	0	400,000	0
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ME1st Commission Funding Solutions			130th Session Shortfall	2nd Year	Shortfall	
Constitutionally	Establish/Extend Commission to study/implement viable funding solutions in 2020		Millions		Millions	
Protected	Produce Proposals for Bills in 130th.		286,000,000		286,000,000	
Need	GF Transfer/Vehicle Sales Tax	\$160 Million in Veh. Sales Tax	80,000,000	206,000,000	100,000,000	186,000,000
Need	Other Transp. Related Taxes	GF -another \$80 M worth of Tax could be transferred	10,000,000	196,000,000	20,000,000	166,000,000
Need	EVT/Hybrid User Fee (800 Est.)	\$200 yr due with Registration	600,000	195,400,000	600,000	165,400,000
Need	Transportation Impact Fee (w/Registr.)	Scaled to weight/Impact by Class (\$25 - \$350)	50,000,000	145,400,000	50,000,000	115,400,000
Need	Inspection Fee increase	Raise by \$8.00 (\$12.00 to \$20.00)	4,000,000	141,400,000	4,000,000	111,400,000
Need	Increase Lodging Tax?			141,400,000		111,400,000
yes	Fuel Tax Increase	Adjust every 1st term of Governorship to Inflation		141,400,000		111,400,000
yes	Fuel Tax Indexing	Keep up with CPI/Inflation		141,400,000		111,400,000
	Rural Fuel Tax Rebate	50000 ?? returns @ \$40	(2,000,000)	143,400,000	(2,000,000)	113,400,000
	State Line Prorations	Graduated Tax at Pumps	(1,000,000)	144,400,000	(1,000,000)	114,400,000
Yes	Diesel Tax Increase/Heavy Use	.03 Increase		144,400,000		114,400,000
	Car Wash Surcharge	.50 per wash ????		144,400,000		114,400,000
	Long Term Options			144,400,000		114,400,000
Need	Lottery Ticket-Trans. Themed/Dedicated	Potential for \$5 million +? New Ticket/Trans Theme		144,400,000		114,400,000
Need	Casino Profits %	???		144,400,000		114,400,000
Need	Dedicated License Plate	???		139,400,000		114,400,000
Need	Install Toll at MDI	Install \$5.00 Toll ??	5,000,000	139,400,000		114,400,000
Need				139,400,000		114,400,000
Need	Install Speed Lane in Ptd??			139,400,000		114,400,000
Need	Install Speed Exits??			139,400,000		114,400,000
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	Federal Increase	1/3? Reduce Bonds as Fed share is increased		139,400,000		114,400,000
Need	(VMT) Vehicle Miles Traveled	Pilot and Transition to VMT (10 Yr.)		139,400,000		114,400,000
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	Bond Balance/Bridges Only	Reduce as Feds Increase		139,400,000		114,400,000
	Reduce Cost of Program Budget	Research Options for efficiencies and savings				
		Pavement Mixes				
		Reduce Night Work				
		Reduce Bond Requirements (Prequalify)				
		Streamline Traffic Control				
		Larger In-Stream Work Windows				
		Reduce Liquidated damages				
		Longer Weather Credits				
	Toll 1st 7 miles/Cost Offset	Fund for Portsmouth Bridge/Take out of Work plan??	(20,000,000)			
	Install Toll on 295 to offset \$	Tolls/Decrease to Trans Budget	(20,000,000)			