

Kicker: Changes in tax law, booming economy boost state revenues

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State economists project that about \$555.3 million will be returned to personal income taxpayers. The corporate income tax kicker, which is also likely to be triggered, doesn't go back to taxpayers, but to K-12 education, so state economists expect \$196.7 million in funding will be routed to that cause in the next biennium. Expected corporate income tax revenues have leapt about 18 percent since mid-2017.

State economists now expect there will be nearly \$772 million more available in the current two-year bud-

get than they expected a few months ago.

But in the next two-year budget, which begins in mid-2019, state economists now expect \$222 million less in available funds.

"The story would be \$550 million in increased resources for the two biennia put together, depending on where you want to use it," McMullen said.

Lawmakers will hammer out the next two-year budget in the 2019 legislative session.

Wednesday's forecast, presented to a joint meeting of the House Revenue Committee and Senate Finance and Revenue Committee, show-

cased continued disagreement about a tax bill passed in the short legislative session that concluded in March.

That bill disallowed certain business owners from taking a new 20 percent deduction — part of the federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, signed into law in December — from qualifying business income on their state tax returns.

That deduction is still available for qualifying Oregon taxpayers on federal tax returns.

Republicans wanted to keep the deduction, which was projected to save state taxpayers \$245 million. On Wednesday, they argued that the kicker

wouldn't be triggered if the state hadn't disallowed that deduction on state taxes.

"In their haste to pass SB 1528 earlier this year, Gov. (Kate) Brown and legislative Democrats apparently failed to recognize that by requiring small business to pay \$245 million more in state income taxes, their actions could trigger the income tax kicker," said House Republican Leader Mike McLane, of Powell Butte, in a prepared statement. "That scenario now appears more likely than not. If current projections hold, Oregonians are in line to receive \$555 million of their money back from state gov-

ernment. The irony escapes no one."

Democrats on the revenue committees, though, characterized the deduction disconnect as a wash.

"For practical purposes, it wasn't a revenue gain as much as it prevented a revenue loss," said state Sen. Mark Hass, D-Beaverton.

Other factors did drive up projected state revenues, such as other provisions of the federal tax bill, which are expected to swell state tax revenues by \$149 million more than expected one year ago.

Gov. Brown took the opportunity to tout her efforts to reduce taxes on small busi-

ness owners in a special session she convened on Monday. Lawmakers voted to extend a tax break not previously offered to sole proprietors.

"Through both executive action and legislation, we have saved over \$400 million in taxpayer dollars since 2015," Brown said. "When state government lives within its means and the economy grows, hard-working Oregonians benefit in the form of kicker tax credits."

And although the economy is growing quickly, Brown said, "we must look to the future while addressing our challenges in education, health care, transportation and housing affordability."

Theater: In need of a new director

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"I would much rather be teaching, but I have a wife and three kids, and that's hard to do on a teaching salary," he said.

Doyle has continued substituting. He helped coach football and track, along with an extra duty contract to run the school district's theater program. Three years ago, he organized a performance of "The Wizard of Oz," the high school's first musical in nearly a decade, incorporating middle schoolers.

The cast for "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" numbers nearly 30, along with a volunteer crew of 14, including students and parents running lights, audio and stage devices. River Kroft, a former student, is Doyle's assistant director.

"We've been preparing since March," she said, adding the cast and crew will spend four hours a night practicing in the week before opening night.

The high school's the-

ater design class helped build props for the play, including a replica of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. The robotics program, whose driver plays "Grandfather Potts," provided the Astoria River Bot as his Toot Sweet-making contraption. The orchestra provides a live accompaniment for the second act. Parents of the actors helped sew costumes, along with two air surveillance technicians and former thespians from the 116th.

"I think there are parents that would try to keep it going, but we don't have the experience of Wayne," said Brandy Larsen, a volunteer musical director.

"With our success over the past couple of years, it's growing," she said of the theater program. "There are more kids involved. The school is seeing the need for it."

Teachers get first dibs, but theater boosters are hoping to compile a list of possible director candidates to

bring to the school district, which makes the final decision. Doyle sometimes wishes there were four of him to manage the different aspects of the production, but said a good director needs to eventually trust his cast and crew when the curtains part.

"You have to believe everything will be fine, so they'll believe it," he said.

Last week's premiere brought in more than 400 people Friday and Saturday and a standing ovation.

"I was sitting in the back row crying, so proud of my kids," Doyle said.

He hopes to take up theater in Maryland, and after his three-year tour return to the North Coast and start directing locally again. He likes to share one of his favorite pastimes from high school.

"I remember high school, and I can still name every person I was on stage with," he said. "It's just a memory you have forever and ever."

Opioids: Clatsop County enters national lawsuit against companies

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The suit claims the companies became a public nuisance, facilitated abnormally dangerous activity, displayed gross negligence and engaged in fraud and deceit.

"The allegations are that the makers of the pharmaceuticals knew that they were harmful and created false advertising campaigns with false data to convince people of their safety in the hope of making a lot of money from the people becoming addicted," Reynolds said.

Potential monetary damages will be determined during court proceedings. Plaintiffs are also hoping that restrictions will be placed on any false representations by drug companies, Reynolds said.

The county will not be required to pay any out-of-

pocket legal fees, since attorneys representing the plaintiffs will cover all costs associated with the suit. In return, the attorneys will collect a 25 percent fee on any money awarded.

Reynolds said she didn't see a "legal negative" to joining the litigation.

County commissioners gave a nod Wednesday to join the legal battle in a 3-0 vote, with some at the meeting comparing the suit to previous ones filed against tobacco companies.

"The fact that people have become so quickly addicted to these drugs is unconscionable, because I don't believe that they were informed that this was a very real possibility," Commissioner Sarah Nebeker said. "I know people who have been in the rift of that through the prescription drugs, and then they're cut off

and then they go to heroin."

Commissioner Kathleen Sullivan abstained from the vote. Commissioner Lisa Clement was absent.

Sullivan lamented that counties were not given more time by the federal judge to consider whether to join. While Sullivan supports the aim of the lawsuit, it could potentially be a "double-edged sword" for people in chronic pain who need the drugs. "Because of the movement against these pharmaceutical companies and what not, a lot of these people are being led to a point where they're not getting care," she said.

Reynolds said, on the other hand, that a legal basis for providing opioids when needed would presumably still exist.

The lawsuit is expected to be filed in the Ohio court by early next week.

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The complete Request for Proposals is on file with and may be obtained from Colleen Riggs at 163 E. Gower St., PO Box 368, Cannon Beach, OR 97110, or by e-mail at riggs@ci.cannon-beach.or.us, or by calling 503-436-8052. The Request for Proposal can also be obtained from the City of Cannon Beach's website <https://www.ci.cannon-beach.or.us>

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THURSDAY EVENING													MAY 24	
A	L	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	
2	KATU	(2) KATU News at 6 (N)		Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel Fortune (N)	The Last Days of Michael Jackson (N)				What Would You Do?		KATU News (N)	(3:5) Jimmy Kimmel	
3	KOMO	(4) KOMO 4 News (N)		Wheel Fortune (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	The Last Days of Michael Jackson (N)				What Would You Do?		KOMO 4 News (N)	(3:5) Jimmy Kimmel	
4	KING	(5) NBC News (N)	KING 5 News	KING 5 News	Evening	American Ninja Warrior (N)		Hollywood Game Night (N)		Red Nose Day (N)		KING 5 News (N)	(3:5) Tonight Show	
6	KOIN	(6) KOIN Local 6 (N)	Evening News (N)	Extra	Ent. Tonight	Big Bang Theory	Young Sheldon	Mom	Life in Pieces	S.W.A.T. "Fences"		KOIN 6 News (N)	(3:5) Colbert	
7	KIRO	(7) KIRO 7 News (N)	Evening News (N)	KIRO 7 News (N)	Ent. Tonight	Big Bang Theory	Young Sheldon	Mom	Life in Pieces	S.W.A.T. "Fences"		KIRO News (N)	(3:5) Colbert	
8	KGW	(8) KGW News at 6:00 p.m. (N)		Tonight Cassidy	Inside Edition	American Ninja Warrior (N)		Hollywood Game Night (N)		Red Nose Day (N)		KGW News (N)	(3:5) Tonight Show	
9	KRCW	(3) Modern Family	Modern Family	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs	Supernatural "Lost and Found"		Black Lightning "The Resurrection"		News at 10 (N)	Friends	Two and a Half	Two and a Half	
10	KOPB	(10) Travels Darley	Business (N)	PBS NewsHour (N)		Oregon Art Beat	Oregon Guide	Midsomer M. (45) Midsomer "Not in My Back Yard"	(35) Masterpiece Mystery!	Mystery! "Poirot: The Big Four"				
12	KPTV	(12) 6 O'Clock News (N)		Family Feud	Family Feud	Terrence Howard's Fright Club (N)		Showtime-the Apollo "Finale" (SF) (N)		10 O'Clock News (N)		News (N)	Page Six TV	
18	KPDx	(18) Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	FOX 12's News (N)		9 O'Clock News (N)		Family Guy	American Dad!	The Game	The Game	
19	KCPQ	(19) Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Terrence Howard's Fright Club (N)		Showtime-the Apollo "Finale" (SF) (N)		Q13 NEWS AT 10 (N)		News (N)	The Simpsons	
20	TBS	(20) Family Guy	Family Guy	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld Pt. 1 of 2	Seinfeld Pt. 2 of 2	★ ★ ★ The Hangover Part III ("13, Com) Zach Galifianakis, Ed Helms, Bradley Cooper.				Conan (N)		
28	KZJQ	(28) Friends	Friends	Mom	Modern Family	Mom	Modern Family	Q13 News at 9 (N)		Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Two and a Half	Two and a Half	
29	ESPN	(29) NCAA Softball Division I Tournament (L)				SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		
30	ESPN2	(30) NCAA Softball Division I Tournament (L)				SportsCenter Featured	NBA at the Mic (L)		Around the Horn	Interruption	Nación ESPN (N)		SportsCenter Featured	
61	NICK	(31) The Loud House	The Loud House	Thundermans "Thunder in Paradise"		★ ★ The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie ("04) Tom Kenny.				Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	
62	DISN	(32) To Be Announced	To Be Announced	Gravity Falls	Gravity Falls	DuckTales	Gravity Falls	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	
34	FAM	(34) ★ ★ ★ Mulan (1998, Animated) Eddie Murphy, BD Wong, Ming-Na Wen.		Siren "Aftermath" (SF) (N)		★ ★ ★ Pocahontas (95) Voices of Mel Gibson, David Ogden Stiers, Irene Bedard.						The 700 Club		
35	FMC	(35) (5:00) Hitman: Agent 47 Rupert Friend. (c55) Hitman: Agent 47 ("15) Hannah Ware, Rupert Friend. (c50) FXM Presents		★ ★ ★ American Hustle (2013, Drama) Amy Adams, Jennifer Lawrence, Christian Bale.									(5:0) FXM Presents	
38	LIFE	(36) ★ ★ First Daughter (2004, Comedy) Marc Blucas, Michael Keaton, Katie Holmes.		★ ★ We Are Marshall (2007, Sport) Anthony Mackie, Matthew Fox, Matthew McConaughey.								Little Women: LA "Get Happy"		
39	ROOT	(38) (4:00) The Dan Patrick Show (N)		MarinersPre-game	MLB Baseball Seattle Mariners at Oakland Athletics Site: Oakland Alameda Coliseum - Oakland, Calif.					Post-game		Poker Heartland Tour		
39	F51	(39) ARCA Auto Racing	General Tire 150 (L)			MLB Whiparound (L)		TMZ Sports (N)	Skip and Shannon: Undisputed Opinions on the biggest sports topics of the day.			NASCAR Racing		
43	SPIKE	(43) Mom	Mom	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	★ ★ ★ Creed (2015, Sport) Sylvester Stallone, Tessa Thompson, Michael B. Jordan.		Law & Order "Strike"		NCIS:NewOrleans		
44	COM	(44) The Office	The Office 1/2	The Office 2/2	The Office 1/2	The Office 2/2	The Office	Drunk History	Drunk History	Drunk History	Drunk History	The Daily Show (N)	The Opposition	
45	HIST	(45) Swamp People	"Swamp Savage"	Swamp People	"Lone Hunter"	Swamp People: Blood "Lockjaw" (N)		Swamp People "Speed Demons" (N)		(05) Forged Fire "The German Halberd"		(05) Swamp People "Speed Demons"		
46	A&E	(46) Live PD: Patrol	Live PD: Patrol	Live PD: Patrol	Live PD: Patrol	Live PD: Patrol	Live PD: Patrol	Live PD: Patrol	Live PD: Patrol	Live PD: Patrol	Live PD: Patrol	(05) Live PD: Patrol	(05) Live PD	
47	TLC	(47) (5:00) 90 Francé "Home Sweet Home?"		My 600-lb Life	"Chuck's Story"	My 600-lb Life: Supersized "Kandi and Brandi" (N)				Skin Tight "Marranda and Jannet" (N)		My 600-lb Life "Kandi and Brandi"		
48	DISC	(48) Naked&Afraid "40 Days Falling Apart"		Naked&Afraid "40 Days Filth and Fury"		Naked and Afraid XL: Pop-Up Edition						Naked and Afraid "Stone Cold"		
49	NGEO	(49) Life Below Zero "Loaded"		The Skyjacker That Got Away		CIA Secret Experiments		Area 51: The CIA's Secret		Air Force One: America's Flagship		Wicked Tuna "Road to Redemption"		
50	TNT	(50) NBA Basketball Playoffs Golden State Warriors at Houston Rockets Site: Toyota Center (L)				Inside the NBA								
61	AMC	(51) (5:25) ★ ★ Lara Croft: Tomb Raider ("01, Adv) Jon Voight, Iain Glen, Angelina Jolie.		★ ★ ★ I Am Number Four (2011, Action) Timothy Olyphant, Dianna Agron, Alex Pettyfer.						★ ★ ★ Fantastic Four ("05, Action) Jessica Alba, Ioan Gruffudd.				
62	USA	(52) NCIS "Masquerade"		NCIS "Kill Screen"		NCIS "Troll"		NCIS "The Lost Boys"		NCIS "Neverland"		NCIS "One Last Score"		
53	FOOD	(53) Chopped "Grill Masters Napa: Part Two"		Chopped		Chopped "Grill Masters Napa: Part Four"				Beat Play (N)	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	
54	HGTV	(54) Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	FlipFloVegas (N)	FlipFloVegas (N)	House Hunters (N)	House Hunters (N)	House Hunters	House Hunters	
55	FX	(55) (5:00) ★ ★ Furious 7 (2015, Action) Paul Walker, Jason Statham, Vin Diesel.		★ ★ Ride Along 2 (2016, Action/Comedy) Kevin Hart, Tika Sumpter, Ice Cube.						Ride Along (2014, Action/Comedy) Kevin Hart, John Leguizamo, Ice Cube.				
57	CNN	(57) Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		Anderson Cooper 360		Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		
58	FNC	(58) Hannity		The Ingraham Angle		Hannity		Tucker Carlson Tonight		Hannity		The Ingraham Angle		
61	CNBC	(61) Shark Tank		Leno Garage "Cars of the Sports" (N)		Fox News @ Night	Jay Leno's Garage "Movie Cars"	Jay Leno's Garage "Rebels"		Jay Leno's Garage "Cars of the Sports"		Paid Program		
63	BRV	(63) Southern Charm "Pulp Friction"		South/Charm "Exes on the Half Shell"		Southern Charm		Southern Charm (N)		Imposters "Phase Two Sucks" (N)		Watch What (N)	Southern Charm	
64	TAMC	(64) (5:00) A Foreign Affair (48) Jean Arthur. (c15) ★ ★ ★ The Spoilers (42, West) Randolph Scott, John Wayne, Marlene Dietrich.		★ ★ ★ Kismet (1944, Fantasy) Ronald Colman, James Craig, Marlene Dietrich.				★ ★ ★ Kismet (1944, Fantasy) Ronald Colman, James Craig, Marlene Dietrich.				Manpower (41, Rom) Marlene Dietrich.		
65	SYFY	(65) (5:00) ★ ★ ★ The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug ("13) Richard Armitage, Martin Freeman.		★ ★ ★ Captain America: The First Avenger (2011, Action) Hugo Weaving, Hayley Atwell, Chris Evans.								Krypton "The Phantom Zone"		
102	RFD	(102) SF Machinery	Small Town	Rural America "Live"		Steve Lantvit	Rural Eve. News	Market Journal	GA Farm Monitor	SF Machinery	Small Town	Time Life Library		