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Deal: August revenues up 3.5 percent

Gov. Nathan Deal announced today that Georgia's net tax collections for the month of August totaled \$1.39 billion for an increase of \$47 million, or 3.5 percent, compared to the month-ended August 2013. Year-to-date, net tax revenue collections totaled \$2.88 billion, an increase of \$125 million, or 4.5 percent, compared to the previous fiscal year when net tax revenues totaled \$2.75 billion through August. Lastly, year-to-date gross tax revenues totaled \$3.82 billion, an increase of nearly \$197 million, or 5.4 percent, compared to month-ended August 2013.

Changes within the following major tax categories explain the net revenue increase in August:

Individual Income Tax: Individual Income Tax collections for August totaled \$714 million, up from \$699.5 million in August 2013, for an increase of nearly \$14.5 million or 2.1 percent.

The following notable components within Individual Income Tax account for the net increase:

- Individual Income Tax Withholding payments were up \$28.75 million or 4.1 percent
- Individual Income Tax refunds issued (net of voided checks) were up \$14.75 million or 40.2 percent
- All other Individual categories including Return & Estimated payments were up a combined \$0.5 million

Sales and Use Tax: Gross Sales Tax collections for the month increased \$55.5 million, or 6.9 percent, compared to last year. In addition, net Sales & Use Tax collections rose nearly \$34.25 million, or 8.4 percent, compared to August 2013, when net Sales Tax totaled nearly \$408 million. The adjusted distribution of sales tax to local and county governments totaled \$407.1 million, an increase of \$32.85 million compared to last year. Sales tax refunds declined \$11.5

million compared to the previous fiscal year, when nearly \$19.75 million in refunds were processed.

Corporate Income Tax: Corporate Income Tax collections for August decreased \$2 million, or -13 percent, compared to last year, when net Corporate Tax revenues totaled roughly \$15.35 million.

The following notable components within Corporate Income Tax make up the decrease:

- Corporate Tax refunds issued (net of voided checks) were up \$10.9 million or 250.8 percent
- Corporate Estimated payments for the month increased \$11.0 million or 142.7 percent
- Corporate Income Tax Return payments decreased nearly \$2.25 million or -25.6 percent
- All other Corporate Tax categories combined for a slight increase of \$0.1 million compared to FY '13

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GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
Comparative Summary of Net Revenue Collections
(unaudited - 000's)

	For the Month Ended			
	August 2014 (FY 2015)	August 2013 (FY 2014)	\$ Change	% Change
Tax Revenues:				
Income Tax - Individual:	\$ 713,990	\$ 699,546	\$ 14,444	2.1%
Sales and Use Tax - General:				
Sales and Use Tax - Gross	\$ 857,400	\$ 801,897	\$ 55,503	6.9%
Local Distribution (Footnote 1)	\$ (407,104)	\$ (374,255)	\$ (32,849)	-8.8%
Sales Tax Adjustments/Refunds	\$ (8,175)	\$ (19,727)	\$ 11,552	58.6%
Net Sales and Use Tax - General	\$ 442,121	\$ 407,914	\$ 34,207	8.4%
Motor Fuel Taxes:				
Prepaid Motor Fuel Tax	\$ 47,496	\$ 46,249	\$ 1,247	2.7%
Motor Fuel Excise Tax	\$ 37,538	\$ 36,316	\$ 1,222	3.4%
Total Motor Fuel Taxes	\$ 85,033	\$ 82,565	\$ 2,469	3.0%
Income Tax - Corporate	\$ 13,364	\$ 15,360	\$ (1,996)	-13.0%
Tobacco & Cigar Taxes	\$ 19,505	\$ 20,143	\$ (638)	-3.2%
Alcoholic Beverage Taxes	\$ 15,080	\$ 14,607	\$ 473	3.2%
Estate Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Property Tax	\$ 487	\$ 346	\$ 141	40.7%
Motor Vehicle - Tag, Title & Fees	\$ 95,744	\$ 87,083	\$ 8,661	9.9%
Total Tax Revenues	\$ 1,385,324	\$ 1,327,564	\$ 57,760	4.4%
Other Revenues:				
Other Fees & Taxes (Footnote 2)	\$ 7,000	\$ 17,751	\$ (10,751)	-60.6%
Total Taxes and Other Revenues	\$ 1,392,324	\$ 1,345,315	\$ 47,009	3.5%

	Year-to-Date			
	FY 2015	FY 2014	\$ Change	% Change
GENERAL FUND				
Tax Revenues:				
Income Tax - Individual	\$ 1,483,525	\$ 1,457,911	\$ 25,614	1.8%
Sales and Use Tax - General:				
Sales and Use Tax - Gross	\$ 1,713,086	\$ 1,618,992	\$ 94,094	5.8%
Local Distribution (Footnote 1)	\$ (804,257)	\$ (752,939)	\$ (51,318)	-6.8%
Sales Tax Adjustments/Refunds	\$ (11,167)	\$ (28,052)	\$ 16,885	60.2%
Net Sales and Use Tax - General	\$ 897,662	\$ 838,001	\$ 59,661	7.1%
Motor Fuel Taxes:				
Prepaid Motor Fuel Tax	\$ 93,201	\$ 94,955	\$ (1,754)	-1.8%
Motor Fuel Excise Tax	\$ 76,372	\$ 76,233	\$ 139	0.2%
Total Motor Fuel Taxes	\$ 169,573	\$ 171,188	\$ (1,615)	-0.9%
Income Tax - Corporate	\$ 39,834	\$ 29,357	\$ 10,477	35.7%
Tobacco & Cigar Taxes	\$ 36,514	\$ 37,899	\$ (1,386)	-3.7%
Alcoholic Beverage Taxes	\$ 31,310	\$ 29,904	\$ 1,406	4.7%
Estate Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Property Tax	\$ 996	\$ 1,477	\$ (481)	-32.6%
Motor Vehicle - Tag, Title & Fees	\$ 192,482	\$ 170,617	\$ 21,865	12.8%
Total Tax Revenues	\$ 2,851,897	\$ 2,736,355	\$ 115,541	4.2%
Other Revenues:				
Other Fees & Taxes (Footnote 2)	\$ 28,790	\$ 19,321	\$ 9,469	49.0%
Total Taxes and Other Revenues	\$ 2,880,687	\$ 2,755,677	\$ 125,010	4.5%

Footnotes:

1. The Local Distribution is adjusted with an accrual to reflect payment activity that occurs after the actual distribution (3 business days prior to the end of a month).
2. "Other Fees & Taxes" include payments that have been deposited in the bank, but for which returns may not yet have been processed. These undistributed tax amounts are then re-classified (once the return is processed) to the appropriate tax revenue account. "Other Fees" also includes Unclaimed Property collections.