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Honorable Chairs and Ranking Minority Members of the Committees on Ways and Means:

Pursuant to Section 6 of Chapter 14 of the General Laws¹, the Department of Revenue (DOR) hereby submits its mid-month tax revenue report for the month of June 2023, the last month of fiscal year 2023. The attached table shows June 2023 month-to-date tax revenue collections through June 15, 2023, along with changes from the equivalent period in June 2022.

¹ <http://www.malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/PartI/TitleII/Chapter14/Section6>

Revenue collections are uneven and usually weighted toward month-end. The brief period covered in the mid-month report does not provide sufficient data for comparison to prior years. Therefore, mid-month figures should not be used to assess trends or project future revenues.

Context for June Revenues

In general, June is a significant month for revenues because many individuals and corporations are required to make estimated payments. Historically, roughly 11.1% of annual revenue, on average, has been received during June, making it the second or third largest revenue month of the year.

Highlights

Total Tax collections for the month-to-date period were \$2.277 billion, \$36 million or 1.6% more than the collections during the same period in June 2022. Month-to-date increases in withholding and regular sales tax were partially offset by decreases in corporate and business tax and “all other” tax.

- **Income Taxes** totaled \$1.223 billion, up \$43 million or 3.6% versus the same period in June 2022.
- **Sales & Use Taxes** totaled \$178 million, up \$29 million or 19.7% versus the same period in June 2022.
- **Corporate & Business Taxes** totaled \$811 million, down \$21 million or 2.5% versus the same period in June 2022.
- **Other Taxes** totaled \$65 million, down \$15 million or 19.1% versus the same period in June 2022.

Details

Total Income Tax of \$1.223 billion for mid-month June is comprised of the following:

- **Withholding** of \$734 million, up \$49 million versus the same period in June 2022.
- **Estimated Payments** of \$466 million, down \$15 million versus the same period in June 2022.
- **Returns/Bills** of \$52 million, down \$1 million versus the same period in June 2022.
- **Refunds** of \$28 million, down \$10 million (favorable) versus the same period in June 2022.

Sales & Use Tax of \$178 million is up \$29 million versus the same period in June 2022. Typically, only a small proportion of expected regular sales and meals tax remittances are received by the mid-month date. The month-to-date sales and use tax of \$178 million is comprised of the following:

- **Regular sales tax** of \$96 million, up \$30 million versus the same period in June 2022.
- **Meals tax** of \$25 million, down \$2 million versus the same period in June 2022.

- **Motor vehicle** sales tax of \$56 million, up \$1 million versus the same period in June 2022.

Corporate & Business Tax of \$811 million is down \$21 million versus the same period in June 2022. The month-to-date decrease is mostly due to a decrease in estimated payments, partially offset by an increase in return payments.

Other Taxes of \$65 million, down \$15 million versus the same period in June 2022, includes a number of tax categories such as motor fuels, cigarette, estate tax, room occupancy, and deeds.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please contact either me (snyderge@dor.state.ma.us) or Kazim P. Ozyurt, Director of the Office of Tax Analysis (ozyurtk@dor.state.ma.us).

Sincerely,



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Attachment: 1

cc: Deborah B. Goldberg, Treasurer and Receiver General
Matthew Gorzkowicz, Secretary of Administration and Finance
Senator Karen E. Spilka, Senate President
Representative Ronald Mariano, House Speaker
Senator Bruce E. Tarr, Senate Minority Leader
Representative Bradley H. Jones, Jr., House Minority Leader
Senator Susan L. Moran, Senate Chair, Joint Committee on Revenue
Representative Mark J. Cusack, House Chair, Joint Committee on Revenue

Mid-Month Tax Collection Report for June 2023 (in \$ Millions)

Tax Collections as of June 15, 2023, Compared to Same Collection Period in FY2022

	June (Through June 15th) (\$ Millions)			FY2023 YTD (Through June 15th) (\$ Millions)		
	06/2023 MTD Actual Collections	06/2023 MTD v. 06/2022 MTD \$ Fav/(Unfav)	06/2023 MTD v. 06/2022 MTD % Fav/(Unfav)	06/2023 YTD Actual Collections	06/2023 YTD v. 06/2022 YTD \$ Fav/(Unfav)	06/2023 YTD v. 06/2022 YTD % Fav/(Unfav)
Income						
Income Withholding	734	49	+7.1%	16,011	648	+4.2%
Income Est. Payments	466	(15)	-3.1%	3,525	(737)	-17.3%
Income Returns/Bills	52	(1)	-1.8%	3,866	(1,795)	-31.7%
Income Refunds Net (outflow)	(28)	10	+26.1%	(2,508)	(684)	-37.5%
Subtotal Income	1,223	43	+3.6%	20,895	(2,567)	-10.9%
Sales & Use						
Sales - Regular	96	30	+45.6%	6,213	385	+6.6%
Sales - Meals	25	(2)	-7.8%	1,383	153	+12.4%
Sales - Motor Vehicles	56	1	+2.2%	1,125	79	+7.6%
Subtotal Sales & Use	178	29	+19.7%	8,720	617	+7.6%
Corporate & Business - Total	811	(21)	-2.5%	4,978	83	+1.7%
All Other	65	(15)	-19.1%	2,711	(32)	-1.2%
Total Tax Collections	2,277	36	+1.6%	37,304	(1,899)	-4.8%

DOR advises against using this data to predict trends. At the time of the mid-month report, there is insufficient tax collection data to provide a reliable estimate of full-month results.