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Background

The Shared Services Fund was established by the Legislature in 2007 (SB 954). The bill required firms receiving property tax relief under the Strategic Investment Program (SIP) to report average employment and wages directly attributed to the project receiving property tax relief to the Business Development Department. The Business Development Department then forwards this information to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for calculation of the amount to be deposited in the Shared Services Fund. DAS estimates the amount of personal income tax collections associated with the project by calculating the average state income tax bill for the average wage multiplied by the number of eligible employees. 50% of this figure is then allocated on an annual basis to local taxing districts based on the allocation of the community services fees under the Strategic Investment Program.

History and Projections for Shared Service Fund Transfers

Biennium	Shared Service Fund Revenue From Both Net New Jobs and Retained Jobs	Shared Service Fund Revenue From Net New Jobs	Shared Service Fund Revenue From Retained Jobs
	(in millions)		
2011-13*	\$11.8	\$2.8	\$9.0
2013-15*	\$62.3	\$15.0	\$47.3
2015-17F	\$94.9	\$20.7	\$74.2
2017-19F	\$63.6	\$12.5	\$51.1
2019-21F	\$0	\$0	\$0

*Actual

F-March 2015 forecast

The Shared Service Fund distributions have been completed for the 2013-15 biennium. The projections for 2015-17 and 2017-19 are from the March 2015 Economic and Revenue Forecast. The split between net new jobs and retained jobs is based on input from the employer of the eligible workers. The proportional split is assumed to remain the same as it was in 2014-15. The entire Shared Service Fund program is scheduled to sunset January 1, 2019 under current law.
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