



Roundtable on Evaluating Economic Development Tax Incentives

**2023 Tax Preference Review:**

# **Interstate Transportation Tax Preferences**

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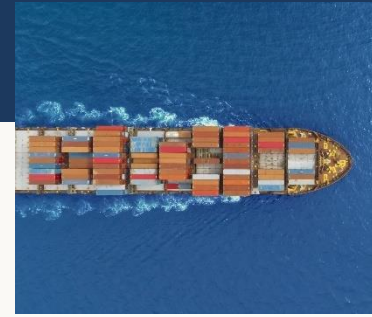
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# Overview

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- 1 Preferences exempt interstate transportation activities from PUT.
- 2 Estimating taxpayer savings.
- 3 Estimating impact of repeal.



# Commercial transportation entirely within Washington is generally subject to public utility tax (PUT)

Tax rate depends on transportation activity:

Activity	PUT Rate
Motor transportation, railroad activities, other public service businesses.	1.926%
Urban transportation and vessels under 65 feet in length.	0.642%
Log hauling over public roads.	1.3696%



# Four preferences reduce the PUT paid by commercial transportation providers

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They exempt earnings from transportation in Washington if the goods move across state or international lines

No expiration date

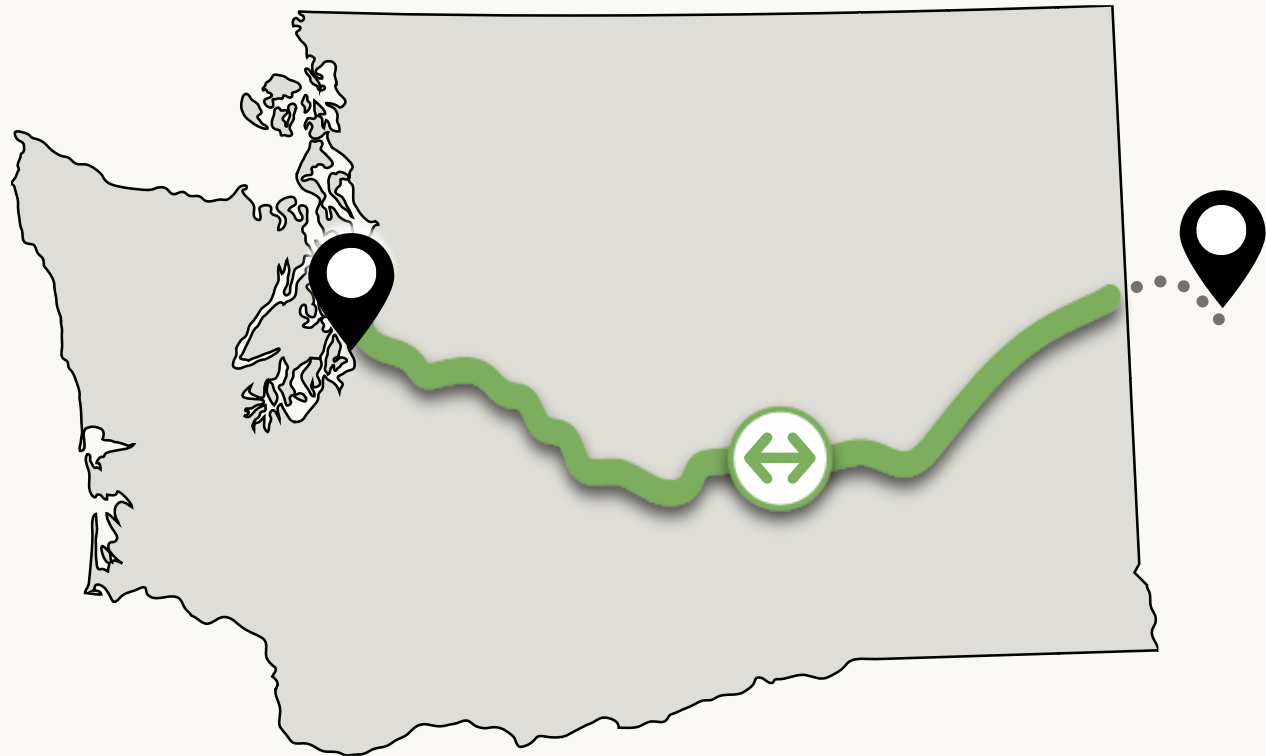
Estimated 2027-29 Beneficiary Savings: \$219.8 Million



# Preference 1: In-state portion of interstate transportation

## EXEMPT:

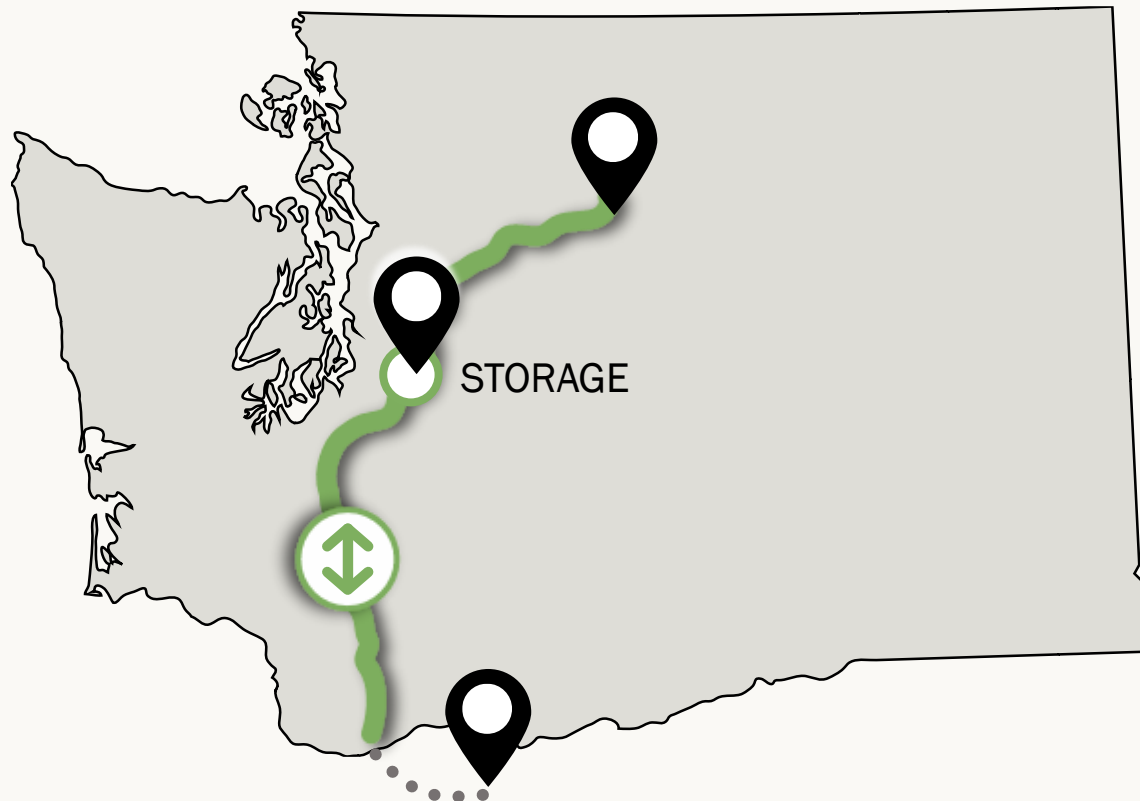
Gross earnings from in-state portion of interstate transportation



# Preference 2: Through freight

## EXEMPT:

Gross earnings from the entire in-state portion of interstate freight shipment with stop(s)



# Preference 3: Shipments to port

## EXEMPT:

Gross earnings from moving freight from WA location to port for transport by vessel



# Preference 4: Shipping farm products to port

## EXEMPT:

Gross earnings from shipping agricultural products from WA location to storage before port





# Citizen Commission requested economic analysis of repealing the preferences



1930s

**WA Legislature: 3 preferences enacted.**

Comply with U.S. Constitution.

1977

**Supreme Court: Gross income tax on interstate transportation is constitutional.**

Must meet 4-part test:      Fairly apportioned | Substantial nexus  
Nondiscriminatory | Fairly related

2010

**JLARC review: terminate or clarify.**

Original objective no longer relevant.

**Citizen Commission: did not endorse.**

- Termination could have unintended negative consequences.
- Economic analysis needed.

# Estimating taxpayer savings

Preference use not separately stated.

Relied instead on USDOT Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) data:

## Freight Analysis Framework (FAF)

Estimates freight movement among states for all commodities, by all modes, measured in:

Tons | Value | Ton-miles

WA-specific data organized by freight flow & trade type

### Freight Flow

Origin State	Destination State	Freight Flow
Washington	Washington	Within WA
All other states	Washington	Inbound to WA
Washington	All other states	Outbound from WA

### Trade Type

Domestic only | Import | Export

# Estimating taxpayer savings

8 of 9 trade-flow combinations:

- Originate and/or terminate in WA.
- Cross state/international lines.

## 9 Distinct trade-flow combinations

	Domestic Only	Import	Export
Within WASHINGTON	WASHINGTON ↓ WASHINGTON	Foreign ↓ WASHINGTON ↓ WASHINGTON	WASHINGTON ↓ WASHINGTON ↓ Foreign
Inbound to WASHINGTON	Other States ↓ WASHINGTON	Foreign ↓ Other States ↓ WASHINGTON	Other States ↓ WASHINGTON ↓ Foreign
Outbound from WASHINGTON	WASHINGTON ↓ Other States	Foreign ↓ WASHINGTON ↓ Other States	WASHINGTON ↓ Other States ↓ Foreign

# Estimating taxpayer savings

How many ton-miles of freight in WA qualify for the preferences?

For each trade-flow combination:

- **Ton-miles** of each **commodity**...  
...moved by each **mode**.
- **WA % share of each haul** based on distance between centers of origin/destination states.
- The longer the haul, the smaller the Washington % share.

## 42 Commodities (SCTG)

Live animals/ fish

Cereal grains

Other ag. products

Animal feed

Meat/seafood

Milled grain products

Other foodstuffs

...35 others

## 5 of 8 Modes

Truck

Rail

Water

Pipeline

**Multiple modes & mail**

Air (including truck-air)

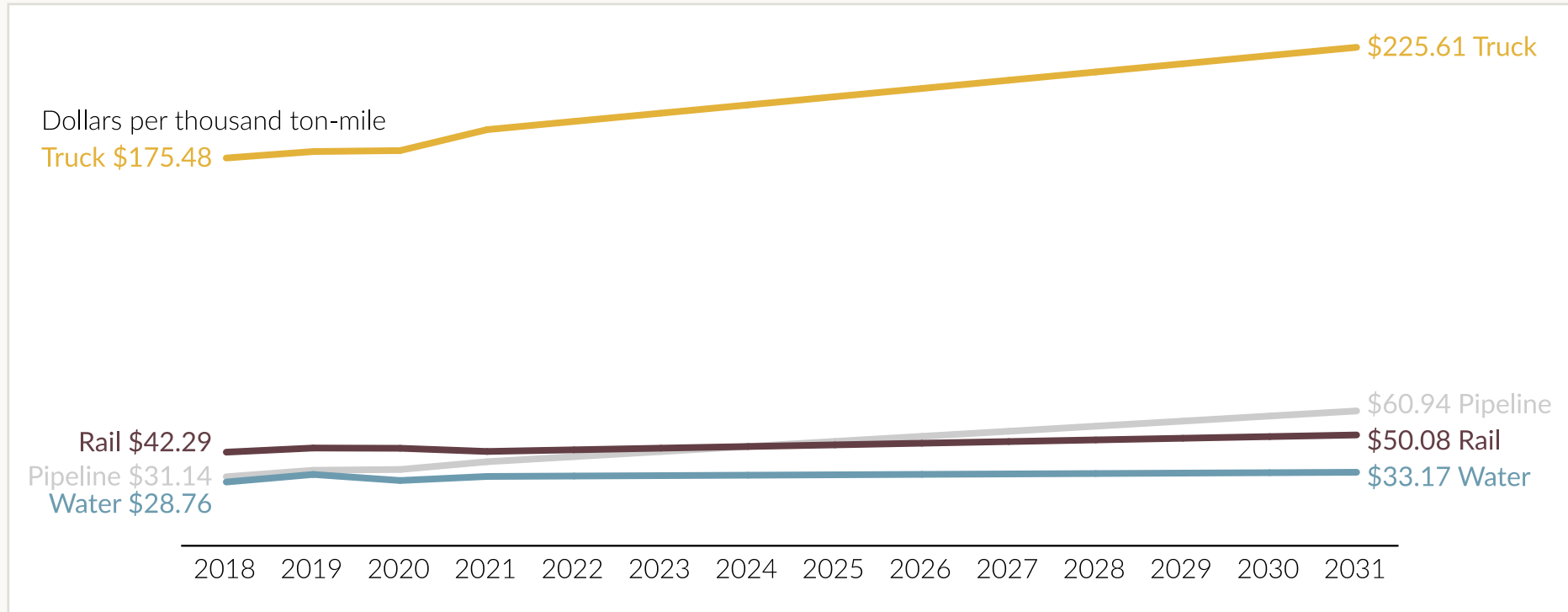
Other & unknown

No domestic mode

# Estimating taxpayer savings

How much freight revenue is exempted from PUT?

BTS: average freight revenue per ton-mile by mode

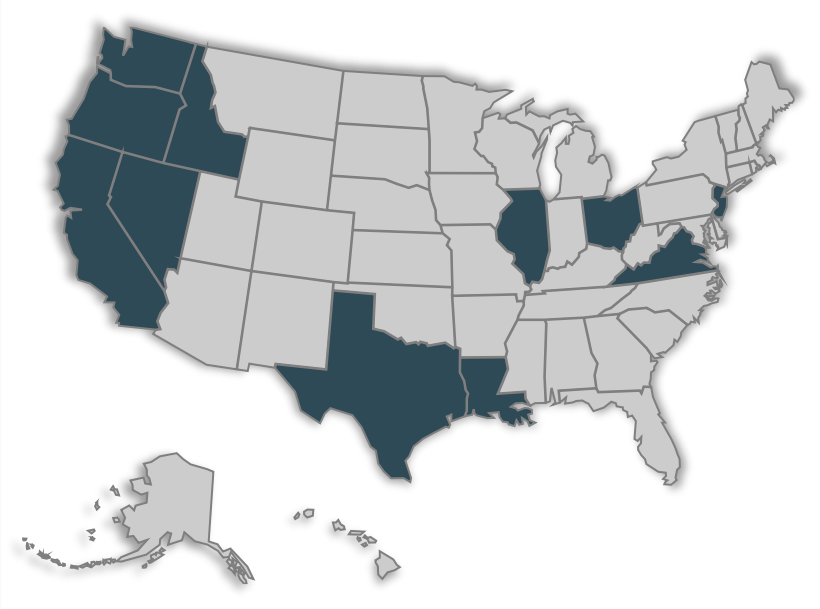


Source: JLARC staff analysis of BTS-Freight Revenue per Ton-Mile.

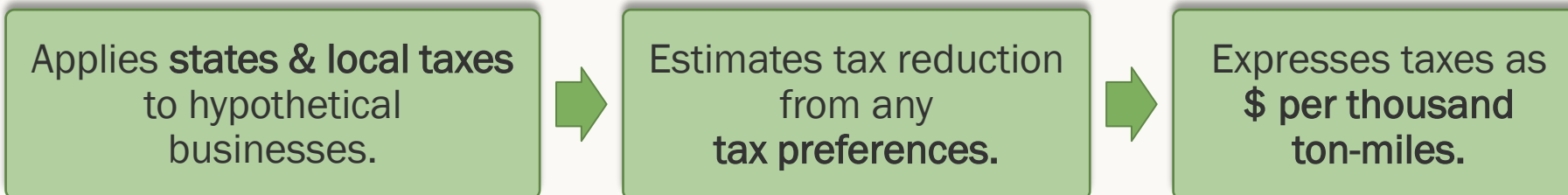
Multiplied revenue by PUT rate to estimate beneficiary savings: **\$219.8 million** (2027-29 biennium)

Truck: 68% | Rail: 16% | Water: 6% | Pipeline: 9%

# Preferences make WA commercial transportation industry more competitive



	Rail	Truck
Industry definition	Class I Rail	Truck Transportation (NAICS 484)
Interstate miles: in-state/out-of-state share	25%/75%	33%/67%
Net operating income/revenue	28.8%	6.5%
<b>Tax base information (per thousand ton-miles)</b>		
Annual revenue*	\$48.46	\$157.05
Net operating income*	\$13.96	\$10.24
Real and personal property*	\$177.42	\$49.25



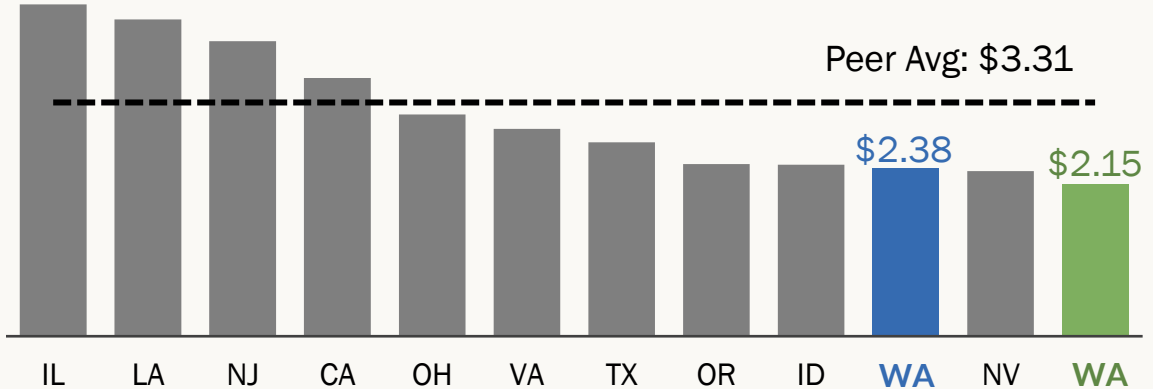


# WA taxes on interstate rail and truck transportation are lower than average

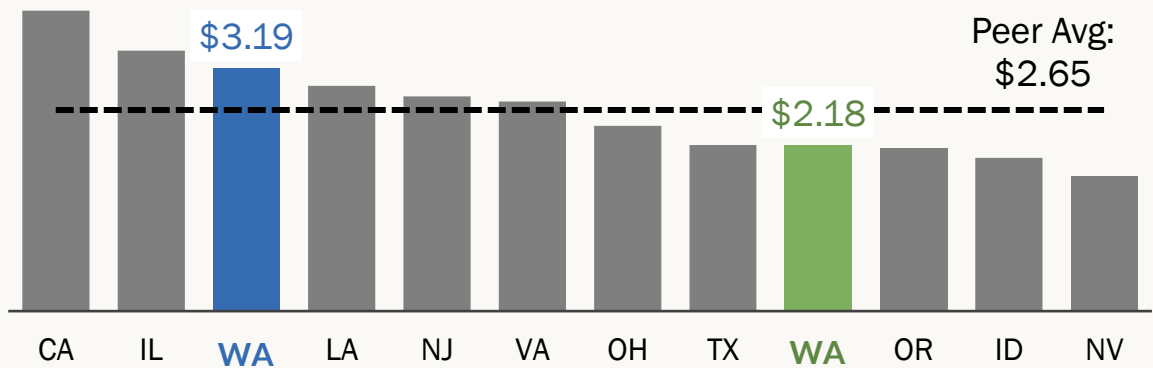
- WA rate without preferences
- WA rate with preferences

Rates shown in dollars per thousand ton-miles

## Rail



## Truck





# Preferences support increased freight volume at ports

**2010 stakeholders' concern: repeal could affect competitiveness.**

- Make WA ports relatively more expensive.
- Reduce freight volume and economic activity.
- Cited consultant analysis of container fee impact on import volume.

**2023 JLARC staff worked with an expert in supply chains and freight transportation.**

Estimated freight diversions if preferences repealed

Trade Type	Estimated Diversion
Containerized Imports	-0.16%
Containerized Exports	-0.5%
Bulk Grain Exports	-2.7%

# Estimating impact of repeal

Impact of repeal estimated using REMI.

Tax incidence scenarios: transportation does/does not pass tax cost to customers.

Model inputs from FAF data:

- 42 commodities per trade-flow combination with origin or destination in Washington.
- Associated commodities to relevant Washington industry

Commodity Code	Commodity	Washington Industry in REMI
9	Tobacco products	3122 - Tobacco manufacturing
10	Building stone	3271 - Clay product and refractory manufacturing
		3272 - Glass and glass product manufacturing
		3273 - Cement and concrete product manufacturing
		3274, 3279 - Lime, gypsum, and other nonmetallic mineral product manufacturing



# Estimating impact of repeal

## Policy Variables

Variable	Note
Production cost, transportation industries	Tax ↑ by mode
Production cost, freight-dependent industries	Savings by commodity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Producing industries for outbound freight</li> <li>• Consuming industries (using REMI-IO table) for inbound freight</li> </ul>
Farm output ↓	Tax ↑ for live animals/fish, cereal grains, other agricultural prods
Industry sales – ports	Estimated revenue lost due to M/X losses
Industry sales – transportation industries	Revenue ↓ due to M/X losses
State government spending	↑ government spending of new tax revenue

# Preferences support additional employment for WA transportation industry and its customers

Impact of repeal estimated using REMI.

## Scenario A

Transportation businesses pass none of the tax cost to customers.

Sector	Job Losses	Job Gains	Net Change
Private	-1,730	945	-785
Public	-180	925	745
Total	-1,910	1,870	-40

Mainly:

- Transportation
- Construction
- Manufacturing
- Retail

## Scenario B

Transportation businesses pass **all** tax cost to customers.

Sector	Job Losses	Job Gains	Net Change
Private	-1,805	945	-860
Public	-165	925	760
Total	-1,970	1,870	-100

Mainly:

- Transportation
- Manufacturing
- Retail
- Farming
- Forestry, fishing, & hunting





# Legislative Auditor's Conclusion

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The preferences make Washington's commercial transportation industry more competitive.

They support more freight traffic at ports and higher employment in transportation and freight-dependent industries.

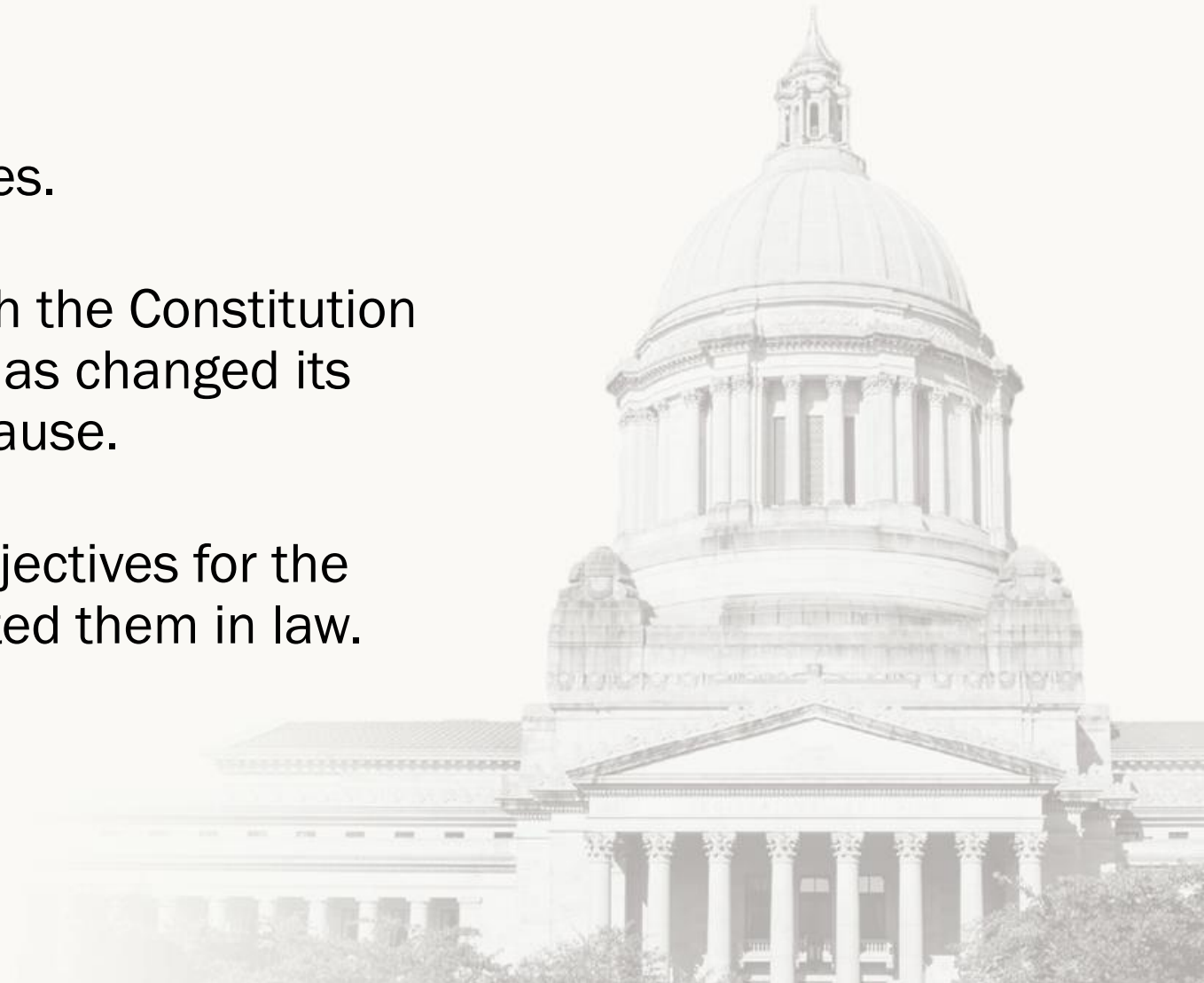


# Legislative Auditor's Recommendations

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Clarify objectives for these preferences.

- ❖ No longer necessary to comply with the Constitution because the U.S. Supreme Court has changed its interpretation of the Commerce Clause.
- ❖ The Legislature may have other objectives for the preferences, though it has not stated them in law.



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# Oregon's Agriculture Workforce Housing Tax Credit

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Kyle Easton – Oregon Legislative Revenue Office

# Overview of Presentation

- Oregon's tax credit review process
- Overview of tax credit evaluation process
- Agriculture Workforce Housing Tax Credit Evaluation
- Upshot of evaluation process



# Oregon's Tax Credit Review Process

- Nearly all Oregon tax credits scheduled to expire (sunset) under current law
- Sunset of tax credits facilitate legislative review of tax credits
  - Staggered six-year review
  - Requires law change to extend applicability of credits
  - Incorporates revenue loss from credit into budgetary framework
- Oregon Legislative Revenue Office (LRO) statutorily required to prepare tax credit report on expiring tax credits in support of legislative review



# LRO's Tax Credit Report

- Report prepared prior to long legislative session (year in which biennial budget is set)
  - Statute includes 11 deliverables in the report
  - Report focused on legislative policy purpose of credit

• Stated policy purpose	• Purpose achievement timeline	• Achievement measurements
• Beneficiaries	• Effectiveness	• Expected results if allowed to expire
• Background information other states	• Effectiveness / efficiency of achieving stated policy goal	• Administrative costs
• Analysis of direct appropriation alternative	• Other incentives with similar policy	





# General Process of Credit Evaluation

- Identify the legislative policy purpose
  - Stated policy purpose
  - Historical record (existing tax credits)
- Fundamentals of the tax credit
  - Does policy design match policy purpose?
- Background / historical information
  - Revenue loss, beneficiaries (direct/indirect)
- Literature review
- Appropriations?
- Other states / federal policy



# Oregon's Agriculture Workforce Housing Tax Credit

# Tax Credit Overview

- Credit available to corporate or personal income taxpayers that are owner or operator of agriculture workforce housing
- Credit = 50% of eligible costs to complete agriculture workforce housing project
- Eligible housing projects: construction, rehabilitation or acquisition of agriculture workforce housing
- Eligible costs: Acquisition, finance, construction, excavation, installation & permits
- Limited to occupancy by agricultural workers & immediate family (includes retired and/or disabled ag. workers)
- Credit taken over 10 years, may take up to 20% of credit value in any one year,
- Transferable, 9-year carryforward
- Limit: Total potential credits for all approved applications may not exceed \$16.75M within the biennium



# Tax Credit Policy Purpose

- ***Purpose:*** Ensure adequate agricultural labor accommodations commensurate with the housing needs of Oregon's workers
- Tax credit a component of overall housing support package



# Tax Credit Evaluation

- Does credit achieve policy purpose?
  - Housing supply & demand
  - Evaluation of credit mechanics
  - Trends in Ag. workforce community
- Analysis a blend of qualitative & quantitative



# Evaluation – Housing Supply/Demand

- Agriculture workforce housing demand & supply, **is the credit needed?**
  - Oregon lacks a specific Ag. workforce housing needs assessment
    - General housing needs assessment, Oregon currently short 140K homes
  - Descriptive information on agriculture workforce
    - Relied on data from National Ag. Workers Survey (NAWS – US Dept. of Labor), Census, related nonprofit org. produced information (e.g. farmworker needs assessment)
  - On-farm and off-farm Ag. workforce housing
    - Requirements of on-farm housing, cost offset of credit



# Evaluation – Credit Mechanics

- Does design of credit match with policy purpose?
  - Credit is partial (50%) offset of construction, rehabilitation, installation
    - Increase / maintain / improve housing supply
  - Credit is non-refundable
    - Tax liability?
    - Transferable (credit may be sold), reduces value of credit
  - Credit use
    - Portion of credit certification reserved for off-farm and on-farm housing
      - On-farm housing: credit in part reflects offset of imposed housing minimum condition requirements
  - Provides baseline of cost offset, spread out over multiple years
  - Credit in combination with other housing support programs
  - Task force and work groups





# Evaluation – Trends in Ag. Workforce

- Historical use of credit
- Credit certification (demand for credit)
- Trends in Ag. workforce
  - Size
  - On-farm / off-farm
  - Movement / location consistency



# Upshot

- Identify / define the policy purpose
  - Measurable purpose or more nuanced (to encourage/support/create...)
  - Review the record, engage with administrators and stakeholders
- Pursue qualitative & quantitative approach
- Plenty of analysis value even if binary yes/no or achieves/fails to achieve conclusion is unavailable
  - Nonpartisan baseline information



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**NEBRASKA ADVANTAGE  
RESEARCH AND  
DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT:  
SELECTED METHODOLOGIES**

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# NATURE OF THE PROGRAM

- “Entitlement” program
- Tied to federal Research and Experimentation credit.
- 15% of federal credit (= 3% of eligible expenditures)
- 35% if the qualifying activity was on a college or university campus (Innovation Campus in Lincoln, Nebraska)
- Fully refundable
- 460 Companies received credit from 2005-2021
- \$1.5 - \$8.5 million revenue impact per year



# **NEW AND SUSTAINED COMPANIES DEFINITION**

## **New Company:**

- 1. Active no more than two years prior to application or credit earning activity**
- 2. Must be new formation or an expansion from out of state**
  - Reorganizing, renaming, or newly formed subsidiary of current in-state company is not new.
    - Unitary filing state. Tax returns include lists of subsidiaries

## **Sustained Company:**

- **Active more than five years after application or credit earning activity**

# NEW AND SUSTAINED COMPANIES PROOF OF ACTIVITY

## Preferred Documentation

W-2 Records

DoL QCEW Data

Tax Returns (Date  
Business Began,  
depreciation  
schedules)

## Good Documentation

Applications

Secretary of State  
records

News Articles

## In case of Emergency

Facebook

Twitter

Linked In

Company Website

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Results: 69 New  
304 Sustained



# METHODOLOGY: HIGH-TECH SECTOR ANALYSIS

## What does “high-tech” even mean?

- Parent company
- Subsidiary
- Worksite
- Project
- Statutory sources
  - Activity based, vague, open to interpretation

## Our answer

- “Business Dynamics Statistics of High Tech Industries” Nathan Goldschlag and Javier Miranda, Center for Economic Studies, U.S. Census Bureau, 2016
- Census Business Dynamics Statistics- High-tech
- STEM employee % is 5x the national average across all industries
- List of 4-digit NAICS codes

# METHODOLOGY: HIGH-TECH SECTOR ANALYSIS

Ideal NAICS code:

- Most local classification as possible
- Department of Labor verified (QCEW)

What we had available for R&D: Parent company self-assigned NAICS codes on tax returns.

Other sources we have used for other Audits to find company NAICS codes:

- News articles
- Press Releases
- Applications
- Descriptions from company websites, social media

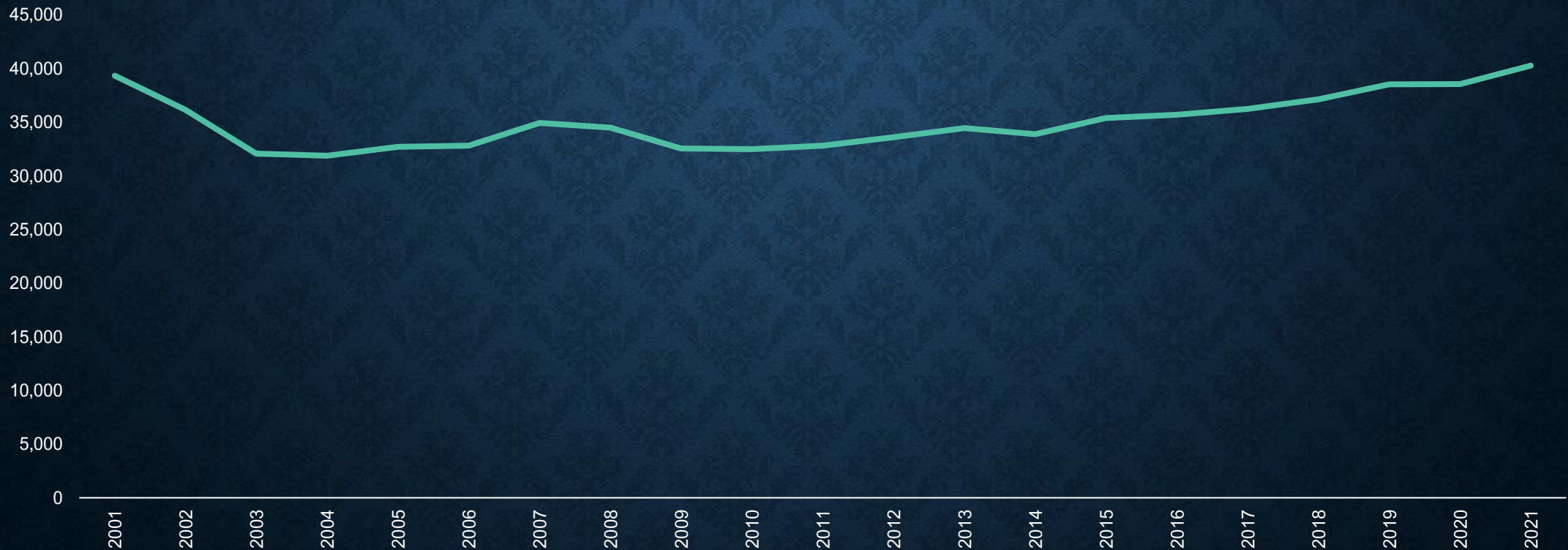
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Results: 109 HT companies



# HIGH-TECH EMPLOYMENT CONTEXT

Figure 2.17. Nebraska's high-tech employment only recently recovered to 2001 levels.



# METHODOLOGY: SHIFT-SHARE OF EMPLOYMENT ANALYSIS

- Used to estimate amount of employment change that is due to “Local Conditions”
- Shift share for each individual HT NAICS code and all HT NAICS codes combined
  - Overall National Trends comparison      Need Total Employment for US in two years
  - National Industry Trends      Need Total Employment in US for examined industry
  - Local Industry Trends      Need Total Employment in State for examined industry
- Uses all public BLS information



# METHODOLOGY: SHIFT-SHARE OF EMPLOYMENT EXAMPLE

NAICS Code	Industry Sector	Total Employment by Sector, United States						Total Employment by Sector, Nebraska						National Share	Industry Mix	Regional Shift	Total Change in Employment 2005-2021
		2005 #	% of total	2021 #	% of total	# Change	% change	% of 2005 total	2021 #	% of total	# Change	% change					
2111	Oil and gas extraction	125818	0.11%	112604	0.09%	-13214	-11%	100	0.01%	59	0.01%	-41	-41%	11	-21	-30	-41
3254	Pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturing	288155	0.26%	331848	0.27%	43693	15%	1976	0.27%	2149	0.27%	173	9%	216	83	-127	173
3341	Computer and peripheral equipment mfg.	203578	0.18%	155613	0.13%	-47965	-24%	529	0.07%	0	0.00%	-529	-100%	58	-183	-404	-529
3342	Communications equipment manufacturing	147132	0.13%	85497	0.07%	-61635	-42%	1963	0.27%	0	0.00%	-1963	-100%	215	-1037	-1141	-1963
3344	Semiconductor and electronic component mfg.	446503	0.40%	367174	0.30%	-79329	-18%	1718	0.23%	1719	0.21%	1	0%	188	-493	306	1
3345	Electronic instrument manufacturing	433812	0.39%	415072	0.34%	-18740	-4%	1376	0.19%	1399	0.17%	23	2%	151	-210	82	23
3364	Aerospace product and parts manufacturing	453136	0.41%	478591	0.39%	25455	6%	333	0.05%	489	0.06%	156	47%	36	-18	137	156
5112	Software publishers	236916	0.21%	554655	0.45%	317739	134%	383	0.05%	5529	0.69%	5146	1344%	42	472	4632	5146
5171(2)(3)	Wired and wireless telecommunications carriers	697801	0.63%	578014	0.47%	-119787	-17%	2736	0.37%	2813	0.35%	77	3%	299	-769	547	77
5179	Other telecommunications	6845	0.01%	81720	0.07%	74875	1094%	0	0.00%	287	0.04%	287	#DIV/0!	0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
5182	Data processing, hosting and related services	265248	0.24%	388805	0.32%	123557	47%	6279	0.85%	2387	0.30%	-3892	-62%	687	2238	-6817	-3892
5191	Other information services	49976	0.05%	380025	0.31%	330049	660%	49	0.01%	1626	0.20%	1577	3218%	5	318	1253	1577
5413	Architectural and engineering services	1313130	1.19%	1528777	1.25%	215647	16%	5770	0.78%	7232	0.90%	1462	25%	631	316	514	1462
5415	Computer systems design and related services	1196884	1.08%	2304608	1.88%	1107724	93%	7868	1.06%	13026	1.61%	5158	66%	861	6421	-2124	5158
5417	Scientific research and development services	572055	0.52%	822279	0.67%	250224	44%	1619	0.22%	1555	0.19%	-64	-4%	177	531	-772	-64
10	Total, all industries	11061101	100.00%	12271665	100.00%	12105636	11%	739567	100.00%	806993	100.00%	67426	9%	80941	0	-13515	67426
	Combined "HT Sector"	6436989	5.82%	8585282	7.00%	2148293	33%	32699	4.42%	40270	4.99%	7571	23%	3579	7334	-3342	7571
	Combined "HT Sector", Excl. 5179	6430144	5.81%	8503562	6.93%	2073418	32%	32699	4.42%	39983	4.95%	7284	22%	3579	6965	-3260	7284

# METHODOLOGY: SHIFT-SHARE OF EMPLOYMENT RESULTS

- Software Publishing (NAICS 5112),
  - 4,632 additional jobs were attributed to local conditions, including state tax incentive programs
  - From 2006 to 2020, 12 Software Publishing companies participated in the R&D program
  - Received \$300,000 in credits
- All HT Sectors combined
  - 10,544 jobs were attributed to national overall and national industry trends
  - -3,260 jobs were attributed to local conditions, including state tax incentive programs
  - Received \$14.5 million.
- Suggests that local conditions that influenced employment changes in the high-tech sector as a whole were likely not due to the R&D credit.



# OTHER METRICS

- **Renewable Energy Sector Analysis**

Very similar to High-tech

- **Private R&D Spending**

Regional comparisons of industry R&D spending

- **Competitiveness**

Regional comparisons of R+D credits

- **Fiscal Protections**

Compared program to Pew Recommendations

- **Additional Public Funding**

R&D companies use of other state incentives

- **Compliance Cost**

General description

- **Administrative Cost**

Combined with other incentives

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# MANUFACTURING SALES TAX EXEMPTION ECONOMIC AND FISCAL ANALYSIS

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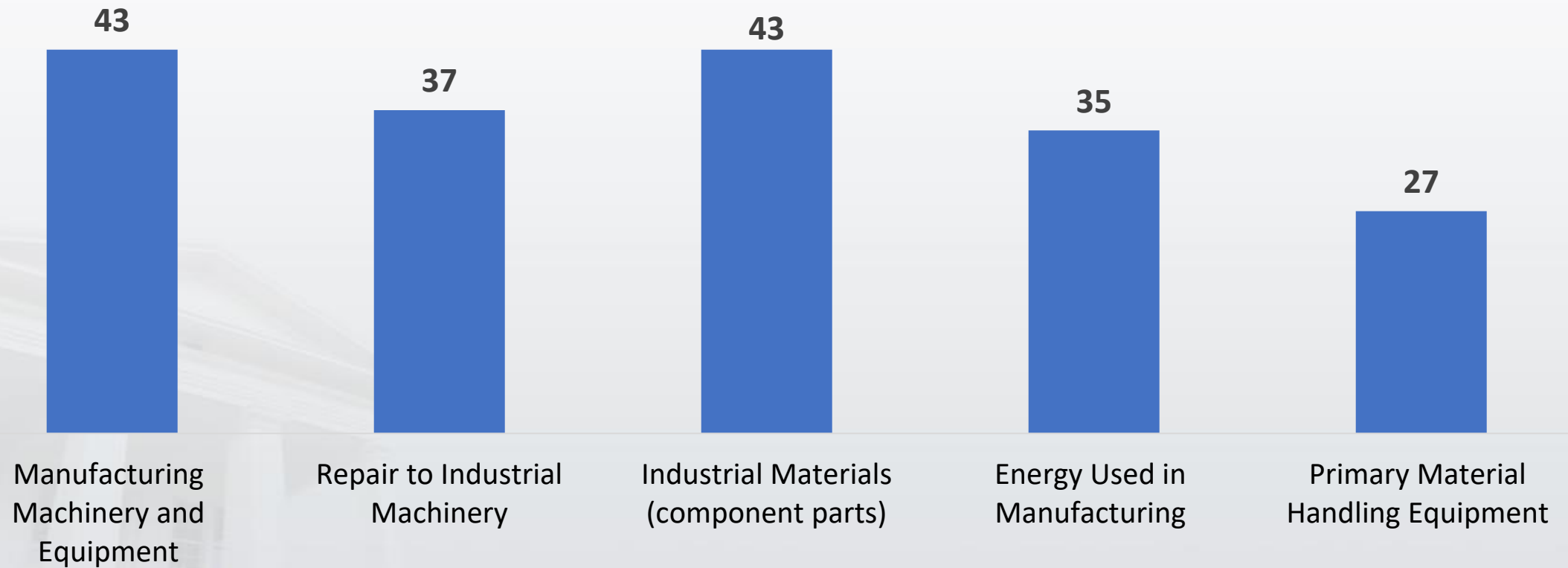
# Overview of Sales Tax Exemption

- Manufacturing Sales Exemption (OCGA §48-7-40.26)
  - Targeting intermediate goods
    - Manufacturing (NAICS 31-33)
    - Mining and Quarrying (NAICS 21)
    - Electric Power Generation (NAICS 22111)
    - Newspaper Publishers (NAICS 511110)
  - Manufacturing accounts for 95.3% of eligible business establishment statewide

# Eligibility Criteria

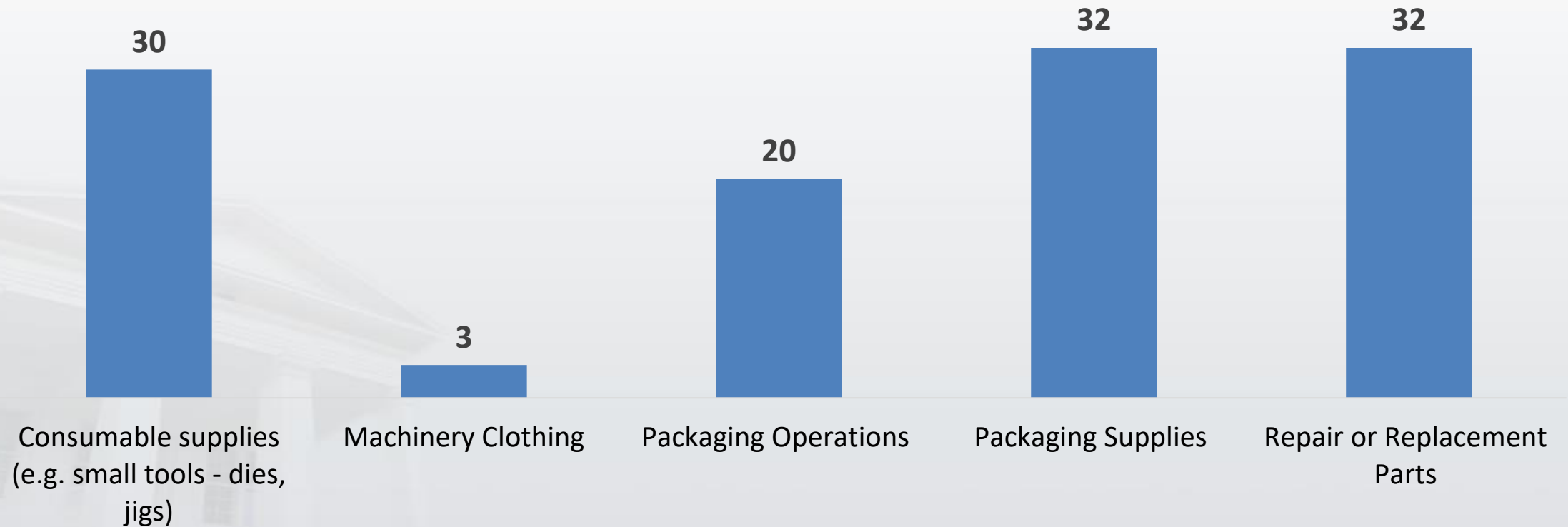
- Integrated Plant Theory
- Items included
  - Consumable Supplies
  - Energy
  - Industrial Materials
  - Packing Operation
  - Equipment
  - Machinery
  - Machinery Clothing
  - Packaging Supplies

# Number of States Offering Full or Partial Manufacturing Sales Tax Exemptions



Source: CBAER Data

# Number of States Offering Specific Item Qualifications for the Manufacturing Sales Tax Exemption



Source: CBAER Analysis

# Total Amount Sales Taxes Exempted

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Total</b>	\$5,663	\$5,374	\$6,065	\$6,028	\$6,842
<b>...State</b>	\$3,236	\$3,071	\$3,466	\$3,445	\$3,910
<b>...Local</b>	\$2,427	\$2,303	\$2,600	\$2,584	\$2,932
*\$ in millions, +current year dollars					

# Economic Contribution Under Current Law

## Annual Output Impact

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
<b>Direct</b>	\$69,004	\$65,694	\$73,977	\$73,359	\$82,997
<b>Indirect</b>	28,844	27,734	31,224	30,921	35,124
<b>Induced</b>	17,533	16,944	19,051	18,827	21,237
<b>Total</b>	\$115,381	\$110,373	\$124,252	\$123,106	\$139,357

\$ in millions,  
 current year dollars;  
 Source: IMPLAN

## Annual Employment Impact

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
<b>Direct</b>	171,742	162,458	179,637	171,923	193,855
<b>Indirect</b>	132,075	125,597	138,908	132,755	150,620
<b>Induced</b>	120,998	114,600	126,921	121,681	137,255
<b>Total</b>	424,815	402,655	445,467	426,359	481,730

Source: IMPLAN



# Alternate Use Analysis, 2017 – 2021

<b>Combined State and Local Government</b>				
	Output*+	Value- Added*+	Labor Income*+	Employment
<b>Direct</b>	\$5,994	\$1,987	\$1,092	14,049
<b>Indirect</b>	2,528	1,326	806	10,858
<b>Induced</b>	1,537	883	502	9,931
<b>Total</b>	\$10,059	\$4,196	\$2,401	34,838

\*\$ in millions,  
+current year dollars

<b>Tax Collection Without subsidy 2017-2021</b>		
	State Taxes	Local Taxes
<b>Georgia Income Tax Estimate</b>	\$79	
<b>Sales Tax Estimates</b>	\$44	\$42
<b>Georgia All Other Taxes</b> (estimated at 22% of total GA tax)	\$35	
<b>Property</b>	\$0	\$80
<b>Total State and Local Tax Estimate</b>	\$158	\$122

\*\$ in thousands;  
+current year dollars

# New Tax Revenue Under Current Law

	Average Annual			Total (FY 2018 - 2022)		
	State Impact	Local Impact	Total	State Impact	Local Impact	Total
<b>Sales tax</b>	\$839	\$491	\$1,330	\$4,214	\$2,467	\$6,681
<b>Corporate profits tax</b>	103	0	103	514	0	514
<b>Personal income tax</b>	663	0	663	3,320	0	3,320
<b>Property taxes</b>	0	1,212	1,212	0	6,088	6,088
<b>Other taxes</b>	140	95	235	703	475	1,178
<b>Total tax receipts</b>	<b>\$1,745</b>	<b>\$1,798</b>	<b>\$3,543</b>	<b>\$8,751</b>	<b>\$9,030</b>	<b>\$17,781</b>
\$ in million; + current year dollars						

# Net State and Local Revenue Under Current Law

	<b>Annual Combined State and Local Impact</b>	<b>Combined State and Local Impact – Total (FY 2018 – 2022)</b>
<b>Manufacturing Sales Tax Exemptions</b>	(\$5,994)	(\$29,972)
<b>New tax revenue</b>	3,543	17,781
<b>Foregone Revenue</b>	(280)	(1,400)
<b>Net revenue lost</b>	(\$2,731)	(\$12,471)
\$ in millions, current year dollars; Source: IMPLAN		

# But For and Findings

- Nonmonetary benefits
  - Keeps Georgia competitive with neighboring states
  - Avoids the pyramiding of sales tax
- Without tax exemption, Georgia would have 3,400 – 42,780 fewer jobs
- Sales tax exemption is one factor in relocation or expansion decisions
- It reduces production costs and maintains industry competitiveness

# THANK YOU

Questions



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