FY 2022 GRF tax revenues have exceeded estimates each month so far. In February, GRF tax revenues were above estimate by $264.3 million (16.1%), increasing the positive year-to-date (YTD) variance to $1.08 billion (6.5%).

The personal income tax had the largest positive variance in February at $184.8 million (157.6%), followed by the commercial activity tax at $45.8 million (12.1%), and the sales and use tax at $20.2 million (2.5%). These positive monthly variances increased the positive YTD variances in these taxes to $669.1 million (11.7%), $119.9 million (8.9%), and $308.0 million (3.8%), respectively.

GRF Medicaid spending had a positive variance in February of $199.5 million (18.0%), resulting in a positive YTD variance of $162.8 million (1.5%). Non-GRF Medicaid spending, on the other hand, had a negative variance of $302.4 million (17.6%) in February, increasing its negative YTD variance to $1.02 billion (8.0%). YTD Medicaid expenditures were under estimate by $845.3 million (3.6%) over all funds at the end of February. Medicaid caseloads were under estimate for the first four months of the fiscal year but have been over estimate since November.

Due to the positive variance in GRF Medicaid spending, GRF program expenditures were above estimate by $73.3 million (2.9%) in February, resulting in a positive YTD variance for the first time this fiscal year ($37.9 million, 0.2%). GRF expenditures in Primary and Secondary Education were below estimate by $99.0 million (13.6%) in February, decreasing this category’s timing-related positive YTD variance to $276.8 million (4.7%).