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Subj: Revised Projected K-12 State Budget Estimates

During the Technology and Learning Conference and through individual telephone calls, a number of TechMIS subscribers requested that we provide a revised version of the K-12 state budget estimates, including shortfalls, that were prepared by the Democratic Staff Committee and released in October (see last [Washington Update](#)). These projections were based on various assumptions relating to inflation, enrollment growth, etc., which called into question the accuracy of the Democratic Staff Committee's projections. Enclosed is a revised set of estimates which we prepared using more realistic assumptions. The budget information presented on the attached chart was collected in late summer. As such, it may, in some states, be superseded by state action this fall. In any event, the deficit/surplus column should not be considered as a detailed budget number but rather as a gauge of the overall fiscal climate for K-12 education in each state. The "New Initiatives" column reflects state-specific information gathered from a range of sources and is not intended to be exhaustive. The "Governor Elects Initiatives" column presents positions taken during the campaign by the victorious candidate. As we all know, these are subject to change.

If you have any questions give me a call.