

Columbia, South Carolina
October 24, 1947

The Budget Commission met in the Governor's office at 3:00 P. M. on
October 24th. All members of the Commission were present.

The following transfers were approved by the Commission:

South Carolina Industrial Commission

G-4 Motor Vehicles & Equipment 475 00 To - D-2 Insurance, Workmen's
Compensation & Bonds

South Carolina Tax Commission

Income Tax (Revenue Account)

Section 2435-2479 Code of Laws
of S. C. 1942, as amended

5 000 00 To - Income Tax Division
B-1 Frt Exp & Del 100 00
D-1 Rent 2 450 00
C-4 Off Supplies 550 00
G-1 Off Equip 1 900 00
5 000 00

J B Westbrook, Clerk, Supreme Court

B. Contractual Services: 200 00 To - A-2 Wages: Attendant
Official Expense Allowances -
Circuit Judges

Adjutant General

G-4 Motor Vehicles & Equipment 900 00 To - B-3 Telegraph & Telephone

The following allotments from the Civil Contingent Fund were approved
by the Commission:

State Board of Industrial Schools \$1 000 00
Per Diem and Expense of Members

Secretary of State's Office 2 100 00
For printing and distribution of
Registration Books

Annin & Company, New York 155 94
United States and South Carolina Flags
purchased for Senator Maybank

The Budget Commission authorized and agreed to pay the cost of work to
be done on the trees at the Governor's Mansion.

Mr. A. A. Richardson, Chief Game Warden, and Dr. J. E. Bost, appeared
before the Commission and requested \$5,250.00 for the purchase of machinery at the

Barnwell Fish Hatchery. The Commission authorized the purchase of this machinery and agreed to supply funds therefor when needed.

Mr. Charles H. Flory, State Forester, appeared before the Commission at the request of Governor Thurmond and asked that the Commission supply \$15,300.00 in additional funds to be expended on the State Nursery with the purpose of increasing tree seedling production from eleven million to twenty-five million seedlings annually. The Commission authorized Mr. Flory to proceed with this program and agreed to supply necessary funds for this purpose when needed.

Mr. Flory also requested \$16,220.00 from the Contingent Fund to repair storm damage to the properties at Edisto Beach. The Commission declined to accede to this request and advised Mr. Flory to rearrange his program of repairs for the current year so as to take care of any pressing needs at the Edisto Park, and to request any further funds needed for this purpose from the Legislature at the next session.

Dr. B. O. Whitten, Superintendent of the State Training School, Mr. Flexico, Member of the Board of Regents, and Senator O. L. Long, appeared before the Commission and requested funds to purchase a tract of land consisting of 146.7 acres which adjoined the lands of the State Training School, and which were shortly to be sold. Dr. Whitten explained that this land was badly needed by the Institution and also that its purchase would save approximately \$5,000.00 by shortening the length of the water main being laid to the school. The Commission agreed to supply funds for the purchase of this property not to exceed \$100.00 per acre.

Mr. Howell and Mr. Livingston, of the State Tax Commission, appeared before the Commission to explain their request for an appropriation transfer of \$5,000.00 to cover the cost of installing IBM equipment in the Tax Commission.

The State Auditor submitted an estimate of revenues for the current year, indicating an operating surplus of \$1,124,980.54.

Salary changes were authorized as follows:

Clemson College - Requests of September 22nd, 24th,
October 3rd, 4th, 8th, 10th, 11th
and 22nd.

John de la Howe School - Request of October 8th.

Forestry Commission - Requests of October 9th and
24th.

Board of Health - Request of October 2nd.

State Hospital - Requests of October 2nd and 24th.

Aeronautics Commission - Request of October 13th.

Medical College - Request of October 20th.

University of South Carolina - Request of October 14th.

The Commission then adjourned.

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October 22, 1947

M. SMITH
STATE AUDITOR

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Honorable J. Strom Thurmond
Governor of South Carolina
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Governor:

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At the Budget meeting of September 4th I gave to the Commission figures on this year's revenue and appropriations which indicated the possibility of an operating deficit of some \$2,800,000.00. It will be recalled that these revenue figures were simply based upon last year's receipts, with adjustments that were necessary because of changed tax rates, such as those on Beer, Wine, and Alcoholic Liquors. Current year figures available at that time were not sufficient to justify a definite estimate of this year's revenue.

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With figures for a full quarter of the year now available, I feel that a reasonably close estimate of the year's revenues can be made, and I have been carefully studying the situation for some weeks with the purpose of submitting to you a definite estimate of the yield of our revenue sources this year. This estimate, in detail, is attached. I feel confident that the amount of this estimate will be realized, but that to anticipate more than this would be risky.

This estimate indicates that a Surplus Gain of \$1,124,980.54 is in prospect for the year, but it should be pointed out that the amount of any deficiency appropriations, if made, will reduce the anticipated Surplus Gain correspondingly.

Very truly yours,

J. M. Smith
State Auditor

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October 15, 1947

ESTIMATE OF REVENUES FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR 1947-48

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	<u>General State Revenue</u>	<u>Specifically Allocated Revenue</u>	<u>Total</u>
Admissions Tax	375 000 00		375 000 00
Alcoholic Liquors Tax	8 125 000 00	4 375 000 00	12 500 000 00
Aviation Gasoline Tax	125 000 00		125 000 00
Bank Tax	20 000 00	180 000 00	200 000 00
Beer and Wine Tax	4 250 000 00	750 000 00	5 000 000 00
Business License Tax	5 400 000 00		5 400 000 00
Coin Machine Tax	150 000 00		150 000 00
Contractors' Tax	75 000 00		75 000 00
Corporation License Fees	1 500 000 00		1 500 000 00
Department Supported Appropriations	25 000 00		25 000 00
Documentary Tax	600 000 00		600 000 00
Electric Power Tax	1 250 000 00		1 250 000 00
Gasoline Tax - Counties		3 400 000 00	3 400 000 00
Income Tax	20 400 000 00	1 600 000 00	22 000 000 00
Inheritance Tax	250 000 00		250 000 00
Miscellaneous Department Fees	25 000 00		25 000 00
Motor Transport Fees	125 000 00	325 000 00	450 000 00
Motor Vehicle Dealers Licenses		35 000 00	35 000 00
Privilege Fertilizer Tax	230 000 00		230 000 00
Public Recreation Tax	25 000 00		25 000 00
Public Service Assessment	140 000 00		140 000 00
Retail Stores Tax	100 000 00		100 000 00
Soft Drinks Tax	4 500 000 00		4 500 000 00
Workmen's Compensation Tax	200 000 00		200 000 00
Department of Agriculture	650 000 00		650 000 00
Board of Bank Control	20 000 00		20 000 00
State Electrician	125 000 00	1	125 000 00
Board of Fisheries	25 000 00		25 000 00
Board of Health	25 000 00		25 000 00
Forestry Commission	150 000 00		150 000 00
Game Department	250 000 00	110 000 00	360 000 00
Insurance Department	1 205 000 00	545 000 00	1 750 000 00
Secretary of State	50 000 00		50 000 00
University of South Carolina	1 770 000 00		1 770 000 00
The Citadel	1 343 000 00		1 343 000 00
Clemson College	1 840 000 00		1 840 000 00
Winthrop College	840 000 00		840 000 00
Medical College	100 000 00		100 000 00
Colored A. & M. College	175 000 00		175 000 00
John de la Howe School	5 600 00		5 600 00
School for Deaf and Blind	6 200 00		6 200 00
State Hospital	70 000 00		70 000 00

	<u>General State Revenue</u>	<u>Specifically Allocated Revenue</u>	<u>Total</u>
State Training School	10 000 00		10 000 00
South Carolina Sanatorium	50 000 00		50 000 00
Confederate Infirmary	360 00		360 00
Industrial School for Boys	6 700 00		6 700 00
Industrial School for Girls	3 600 00		3 600 00
John G Richards Industrial School	30 000 00		30 000 00
<u>Highway Department</u>			
Gasoline Tax		17 000 000 00	17 000 000 00
Motor Vehicle License Fees		2 800 000 00	2 800 000 00
Fuel Oil Tax		45 000 00	45 000 00
Miscellaneous Highway Revenues		25 000 00	25 000 00
Federal Highway Aid		6 000 000 00	6 000 000 00
Highway Bond Issues		7 000 000 00	7 000 000 00
Totals	<u>56 640 460 00</u>	<u>44 190 000 00</u>	<u>100 830 460 00</u>

BUDGET STATUS 1947-48, BASED

ON THIS ESTIMATE

	<u>General</u>	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balances - July 1 1947	11 788 118 47	10 820 834 04	22 608 952 51
Estimated Revenue	<u>56 640 460 00</u>	<u>44 190 000 00</u>	<u>100 830 460 00</u>
Total - Balance and Revenue	68 428 578 47	55 010 834 04	123 439 412 51
Appropriations	<u>55 515 479 46</u>	<u>55 010 834 04</u>	<u>110 526 313 50</u>
Estimated Balances - June 30 1948	12 913 099 01		12 913 099 01
Surplus Gain 1947-48	1 124 980 54		

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M. SMITH
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Honorable J. Strom Thurmond,
Governor of South Carolina,
Columbia, South Carolina.

Dear Governor:

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It will be recalled that the 1946 General Assembly appropriated the sum of \$3,200,000.00 for construction of hospitals and infirmaries at a number of the State's institutions, including the sum of \$1,500,000.00 for the proposed hospital at the Medical College. None of these funds have been expended, however, because of the requirement in the Act that the Federal Government participate to the extent of sixty per cent before the State appropriation would be available. The total amount of \$3,200,000.00, however, has been carried as an appropriation liability and considered as such in computing our General Fund Surplus at the end of the last fiscal year.

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The construction act passed at the 1947 session of the General Assembly, and now in your hands for approval or disapproval, cancels this 1946 appropriation, and reappropriates the amount for other construction purposes.

The total of the bill in your possession is \$10,260,000.00 but since \$3,200,000.00 of this amount is a reappropriation, the additional funds appropriated by the bill in your hands only amounts to \$7,060,000.00.

If the bill is approved by you the effect will be as follows:

Surplus June 30, 1947	\$11,788,118.47
Less Net Amount of Construction Bill	<u>7,060,000.00</u>
Remaining Surplus June 30 1947	4,728,118.47
Estimated Surplus Gain 1947-48	<u>1,124,980.54</u>
Estimated Surplus June 30, 1948	<u>\$ 5,853,099.01</u>

Very truly yours,

J. W. Smith,
State Auditor.

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