

Basic Rate and Voted & Board

Estimates, Actuals, and the Connection
between Property Tax Underestimates
and Over-Appropriation



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Basic Rate

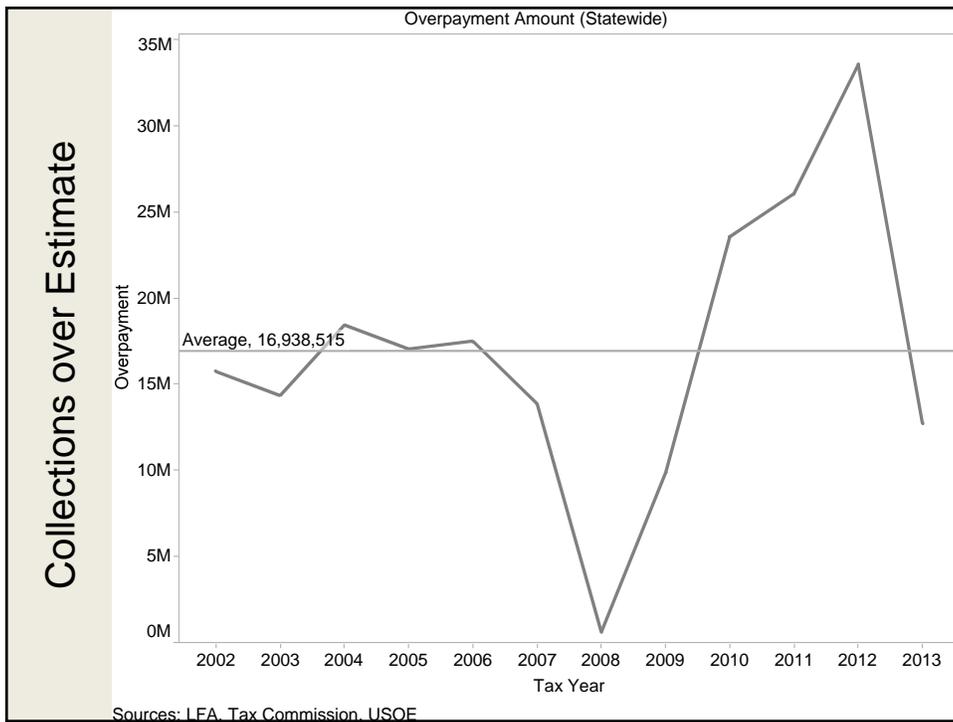
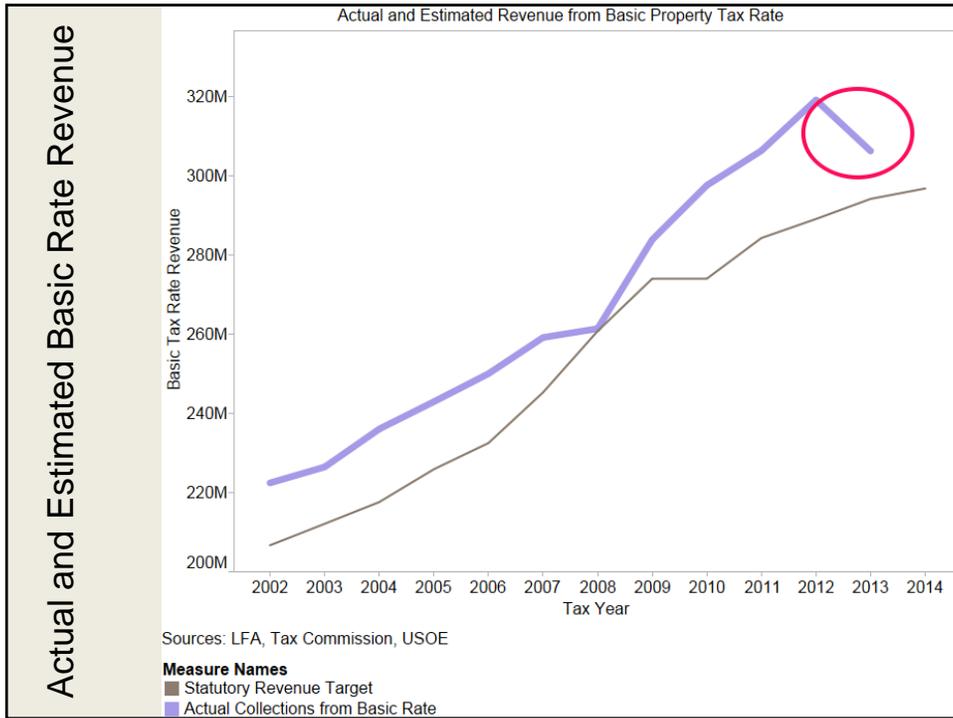
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18 ▶ sets the value of the weighted pupil unit (WPU) initially at the same WPU value set
19 for the 2013-14 fiscal year:
20 • \$2,659 for the special education and career and technology add-on programs;
21 and
22 • \$2,899 for all other programs;
23 ▶ sets the estimated minimum basic tax rate at .001477 for fiscal year 2014-15; and
24 ▶ provides appropriations for other purposes as described.

42 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*
43 Section 1. Section 53A-17a-135 is amended to read:
44 **53A-17a-135. Minimum basic tax rate -- Certified revenue levy.**
45 (1) (a) In order to qualify for receipt of the state contribution toward the basic program
46 and as its contribution toward its costs of the basic program, each school district shall impose a
47 minimum basic tax rate per dollar of taxable value that generates ~~[\$294,092,000]~~ \$296,709,700
48 in revenues statewide.
49 (b) The preliminary estimate for the ~~[2013-14]~~ 2014-15 minimum basic tax rate is
50 ~~[:001691]~~ .001477.
51 (c) ~~The State Tax Commission shall certify on or before June 22 the rate that generates~~
52 ~~[\$294,092,000]~~ \$296,709,700 in revenues statewide.

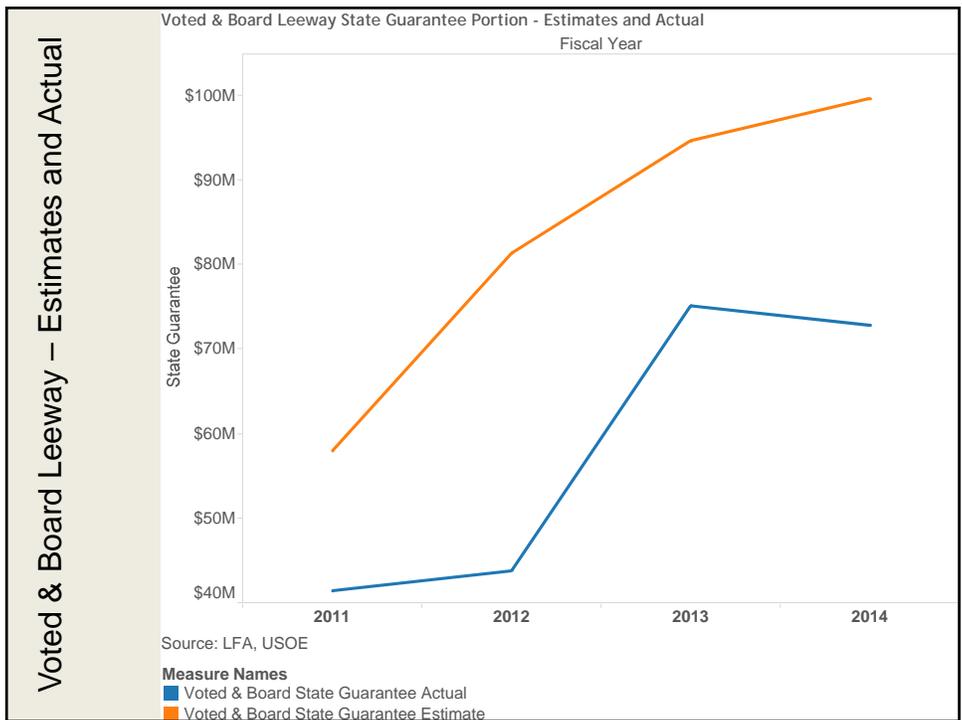


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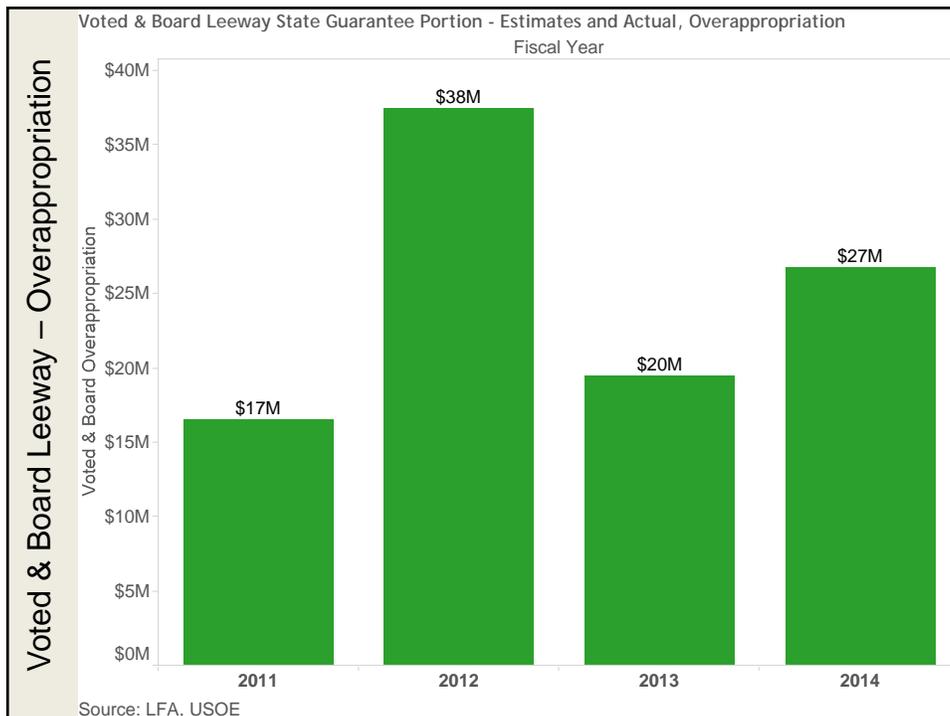
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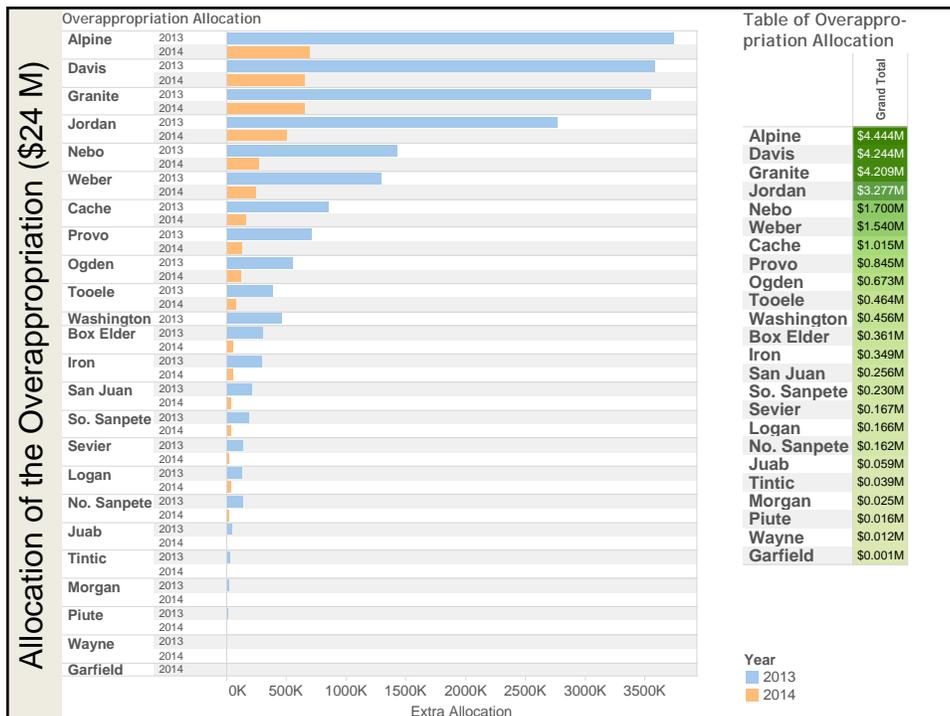
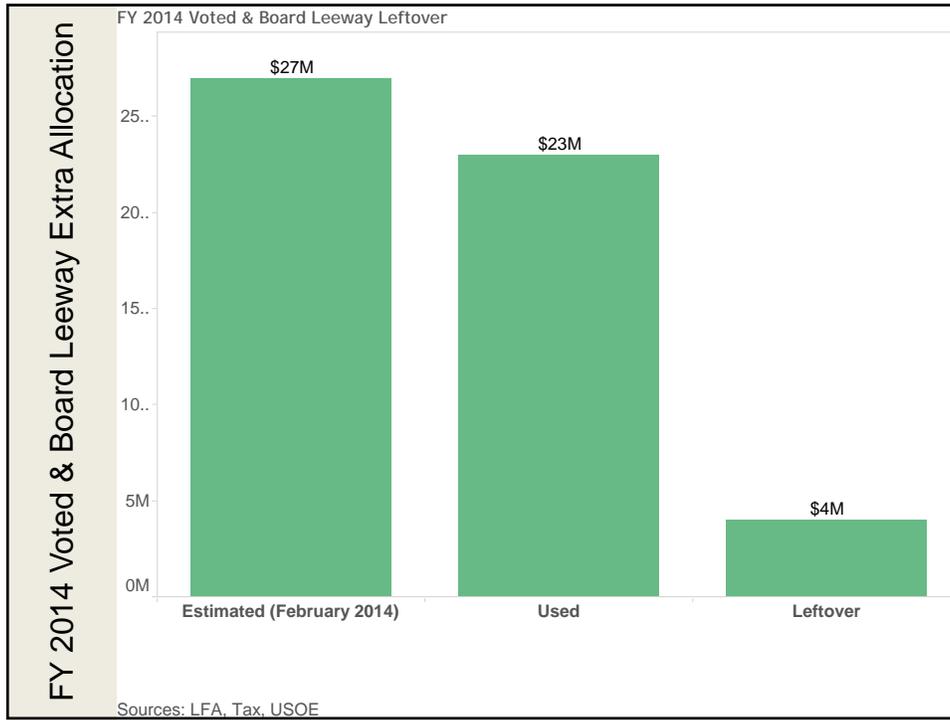
Voted & Board

158	VOTED AND BOARD LEEWAY PROGRAMS	
159	ITEM 9 To Voted and Board Leeway Programs - Voted and Board Local Levy Programs	
160	From Education Fund	99,590,700
161	From Local Revenue	305,524,300
162	Schedule of Programs:	
163	Voted Local Levy Program	299,283,800
164	Board Local Levy Program	90,831,200
165	Board Local Levy Program - Reading	
166	Improvement	15,000,000



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2	2013 GENERAL SESSION	
3	STATE OF UTAH	
4	Chief Sponsor: Stephen G. Handy	
5	Senate Sponsor: Howard A. Stephenson	
6	<hr style="border-top: 3px double #000;"/>	
7	LONG TITLE	
8	General Description:	
9	This bill amends provisions in the Minimum School Program Act regarding the voted	
10	and board levy programs.	
11	Highlighted Provisions:	
12	This bill:	
13	▶ requires the State Board of Education to:	
14	• use a voted and board local levy funding balance in the prior fiscal year to	
15	increase the value of the state guarantee per weighted pupil unit in the current	
16	fiscal year; and	
17	• distribute the state contribution to the voted and board local levy programs to	
18	school districts based on the increased guarantee per weighted pupil unit; and	
19	▶ makes technical changes.	





Summary

- Changed our estimating methodology on the Basic Rate and the Voted & Board leeways to make them more accurate
- They are more accurate, but we're still underestimating, with the state overcollecting revenue from the basic property tax and the Legislature overappropriating the state guarantee portion of the Voted & Board leeways
- For FY 2014, there will be \$13 million left due to the Basic Rate overcollection
- For FY 2014, \$4 million will be distributed to districts under the Voted & Board leeways due to the overappropriation, not \$27 million.