

Presentation to the State Budget Committee

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Who Are We, and What Do We Do?

Advisory Division

Provides legal advice and opinions to state elected officials and agencies

Consumer Protection Division

- Safeguards Hoosiers from predatory business practices by taking legal action for violations of the Deceptive Consumer Sales Act
- Oversees Unclaimed Property unit
- Data Privacy & Identity Theft unit administers the "Do Not Call" list

Litigation

 Represents and defends the state in lawsuits in which the state's interests are at stake

Solicitor General

Chief litigation policy advisor to the Attorney General



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- Appeals Division
 - Represents the state in criminal, civil, and child services appeals cases
- Investigations Division
 - Medicaid Fraud Control Unit investigates Medicaid provider fraud and patient abuse or neglect in Medicaid facilities
 - Assists state and local law enforcement with human trafficking cases
- Communications & Outreach
 - Indiana Attorney General's Drug Abuse Prevention Task Force
 - Jail Chemical Addiction Program (JCAP) for inmates with substance addiction
 - Hosting safe drug handling classes and drug takeback events
 - Funding regional drug interdiction teams to combat drug trafficking
 - Partnership with TenPoint Coalition to reduce youth gun violence



Promoting Public Safety

Drug takeback efforts in 2018 have resulted in **3,041 pounds** of unwanted prescription pills being disposed of safely – and more takeback events are scheduled in the coming months!







TenPoint Coalition Partnership

The Office of the Attorney General is a proud supporter of this "boots-on-the-ground" organization working to reduce urban youth gun violence by addressing root causes like lack of education and/or employment.





Unclaimed Property Outreach

Events like Unclaimed Day on Monument Circle help return unclaimed funds to their rightful owners.







Outstanding Return on State Investment

Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

- 42 indictments and 26 convictions in state and federal court last year
- Over \$29 million in recoveries from various civil and criminal cases involving Medicaid fraud or patient abuse or neglect

Unclaimed Property

- Streamlined the claiming process to make it even easier to claim funds
- Returned over \$58 million this year, averaging over \$1.2 million each week
- Check <u>www.IndianaUnclaimed.gov</u> to see if we have funds for you!

Litigation Division

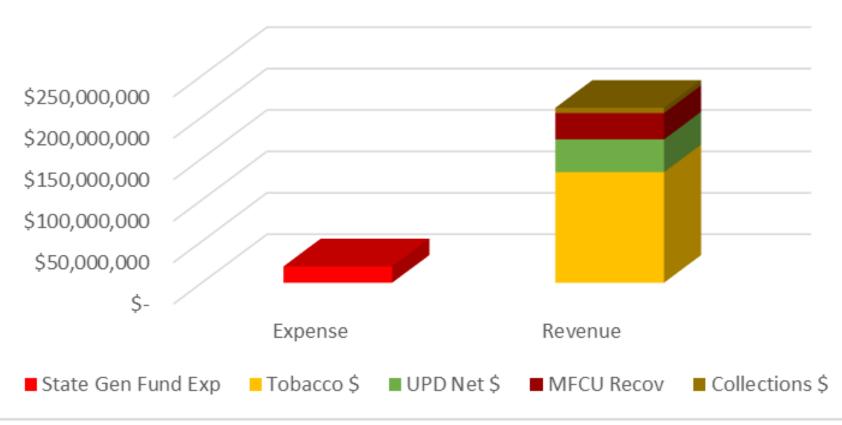
- Recouped almost \$7 million owed to the state in 2017
- 100% success rate in state and federal jury trials

Multistate Consumer Settlements

• \$46 million won in collections, recoveries, and consumer restitution



OAG Avg Annual State Gen Fund Investment vs. Revenue 2008-2018





Office Achievements

- Lawsuit filed against opioid giant Purdue Pharma for violating Indiana's Deceptive Consumer Sales Act (November)
- \$5.1 million settlement with dental firms for improper Medicaid billings (November)
- Expansion of prescription drug education program for Indiana teens (October)
- Expansion of TenPoint Coalition in Ft. Wayne to reduce youth gun violence (October)
- \$148 million multistate settlement with Uber over data breach, with \$1.5 million as Indiana's share (September)
- Expansion of Jail Chemical Addiction Program to Shelby County (September)
- Lawsuit filed against Indianapolis car dealers engaged in fraudulent practices to defraud several hundred consumers (September)
- \$955,000 judgment for City of Warsaw for fraudulent billing practices (September)
- \$95 million awarded from winning Affordable Care Act tax lawsuit (August)
- Expansion of Jail Chemical Addiction Program to Kosciusko County (August)
- Returned over \$264,000 in unclaimed property to Indiana State Fair visitors (August)



Updates Since the Last Biennium

- ✓ Employee recruitment and retention
 - Salary equalization adjustments to bring DAG and Investigator salaries up to market rates to appropriately attract the best and brightest talent who are committed to serving the public
 - Ongoing efforts to review employee compensation to ensure salaries are competitive
 - Created an Employee Engagement Team which is a cross-functional and multilevel team of staff whose main goal is to create programming, usable data metrics and suggested solutions that elevate and maximize OAG staff engagement.
- ✓ Replacing Time Matters case management system
 - Moving to Salesforce, a cloud-based case management system that will allow increased efficiencies and improved data collection

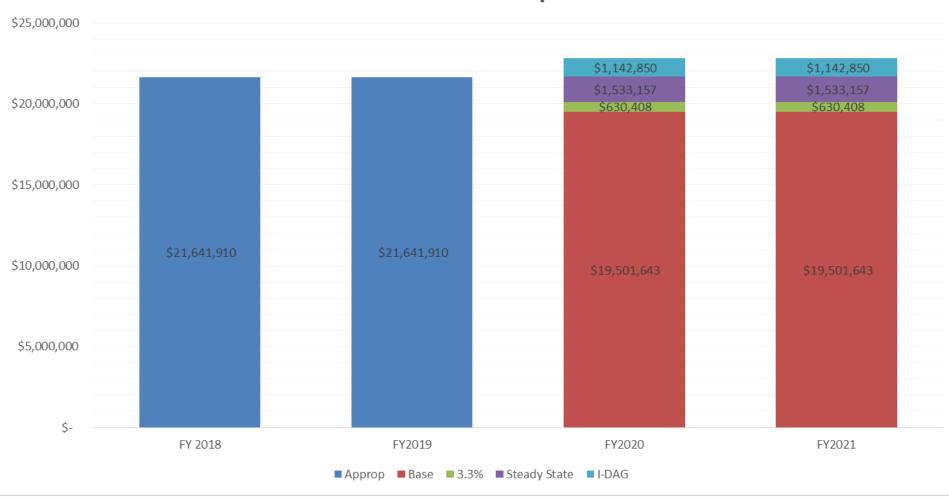


Roadmap for What's Ahead

- Continue diligently working to provide efficient and effective services to the state agencies we represent and our Hoosier constituents
- Improving case reporting to allow leadership to better track the workflow in each division to promote efficiency and transparency
- Maintaining a strong focus on employee engagement, training, and professional development
 - I-DAG program to create a talent pipeline for new attorneys
 - Employee engagement team
- Increasing public outreach efforts to ensure that consumers understand what they can do to prevent harm from scams, identity theft, and security breaches
- Hosting a new Human Trafficking Forum for law enforcement and prosecutors in January 2019



General Fund Comparison





Current Operations Change Packages

- 1. Current State \$1.53 million from General Fund to Main Operating Fund

 This change package will restore appropriations to FY18-19 levels, which is vital for us to continue staffing at current levels and maintain normal office operations.
- 2. I-DAG Program \$1.14 million from the General Fund to Main Operating Fund

 This change package will fund 15 positions in our Intensive Deputy Attorney General (I-DAG)

 program.
- Opioid Litigation Team \$570,000 from the Agency Settlement Fund to the Main Operating Fund

This change package will fund a complex litigation team to handle opioid litigation.



Planning Change Packages

- Per the budget instructions, a 3.3% increase from the General Fund to the Main Operating Fund and the Unclaimed Property Fund
 - This change package will cover pay-for-performance and benefit increases in FY20-21, totaling \$640,000 in two funds.
- 2. Medicaid Fraud State Match \$500,000 from the General Fund to the Medicaid Fraud State Match Fund
 - This change package is necessary to increase our annual state match from \$1.4 million to \$1.9 million to reduce our reliance on unpredictable Medicaid fraud recovery revenue.
- 3. Torts Litigation Team \$1.16 million from the Agency Settlement Fund to the Main Operating Fund
 - This change package will fund a new tort litigation team to help the office reduce costs.



Budget Request Summary

Six change package requests totaling \$5.5 million:

- 1. \$1.53 million to restore FY18-19 appropriation levels
- 2. \$1.14 million for 15 positions in the I-DAG program
- 3. \$500,000 for Medicaid fraud state match fund
- 4. Per the budget instructions, a 3.3% increase to cover pay-for-performance and benefit increases in FY20-21 (totaling \$640,000 in two funds)
- 5. \$570,000 to fund a new opioid litigation team
- 6. \$1.16 million to create a new torts litigation team



New General Fund Dollars Requested

FY 2018–2019 Appropriated

- Main Account \$21.6 million
- State Match \$1.4 million
- Total \$23 million

FY 2020-2021 Requested

- Main Account \$22.8 million
- State Match \$1.9 million
- Total \$24.7 million

This year's request represents increase of \$1.7 million over prior year appropriation.

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Thank you!

