

REVENUE SHORTFALL RESERVE

The 1976 Session of the General Assembly created the Revenue Shortfall Reserve in lieu of the Working Reserve. This reserve acts as a savings account or "rainy day" fund for the state should revenue collections decline unexpectedly or uncontrollably. The reserve is created and maintained by allocating any surplus revenue collections of the state to this account an amount equal to

not less than 3% nor more than 5% of net revenue collections (excludes Lottery Funds, Indigent Care Trust Funds, and Tobacco Settlement Funds) as directed by the Governor as of the end of the fiscal year. Additional surplus above the reserve is available for appropriation. The status of the reserve, as of the end of the fiscal year, for the last 16 years is presented below.

Fiscal Year	Revenue Shortfall Reserve
2003	\$184,693,387
2002	700,273,960
2001	734,449,390 <i>Maximum increased from 4% to 5%</i>
2000	551,277,500 <i>Maximum increased from 3% to 4%</i>
1999	380,883,294
1998	351,545,470
1997	333,941,806
1996	313,385,534
1995	288,769,754
1994	249,484,896 <i>Partially filled</i>
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1989	194,030,593
1988	176,727,306

