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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commission Members

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SUBJECT: Fiscal Federalism Website—Update

In 2007, TACIR published a staff report on the federal, state, and local governments' interrelated responsibility for funding government services and programs, which is referred to as fiscal federalism. As an update to that report, staff has developed an interactive website, a prototype version of which was presented to the Commission at the May 2017 meeting. The website provides intergovernmental funding data in one location in an interactive format that makes it more accessible to policy decision-makers and the general public. With this website, it is possible to see how changes in funding at one level of government might affect the other levels of government.

In response to feedback from Commission members, staff has continued to refine the website. Among other enhancements, staff has added tax collection information at the federal, state, and local levels and provided a crosswalk between the funds presented on the website and the line items in the Tennessee state budget. Data on intergovernmental funds to counties and cities in both per capita dollars and total dollars has also been added.