



MEMORANDUM

Date: March 16, 2015

To: Tom Burke, Director
Finance and Risk Management

Thomas Weaver
Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney

Robert Johnson, Budget Manager
Finance and Risk Management

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "CHH", is written over the printed name "C.H. Huckelberry".

Re: **Arizona Department of Revenue Expense Sharing**

In the Adopted State Budget for Fiscal Year 2015/16, a number of significant cost transfers have been enacted that adversely impact Pima County. One of these impacts relates to the Arizona Department of Revenue expense sharing.

Pima County is the only county in Arizona that does not have a separate sales tax collected by the State and redistributed to the County. The closest we have to a countywide sales tax is the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Excise Tax. The RTA is a separate political subdivision and taxing entity. I intend to bill the RTA in the amount of \$1,514,775 to pay for this sales tax collection for which the County is now being billed.

By copy of this memorandum, I am alerting the RTA Executive Director of this pending expense that should be included in the RTA's budget.

CHH/anc

c: The Honorable Ramón Valadez, District 2 Member, Pima County Board of Supervisors
Farhad Moghimi, Executive Director, Regional Transportation Authority