

Arkansas Insurance Department

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August 15, 2018

Mr. Phil Price
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VIA EMAIL

Mr. Price:

Responding to your recent communication regarding Chairman Ferguson's query regarding how the Arkansas Insurance Department distributes the 2.5% premium tax it collects on health insurance plans, please accept the following information for FY2017 and FY2018:

Arkansas Works Policies and Health Policies Sold on Healthcare.gov*

FY2017: \$24,578,610
FY2018: \$36,139,582

* These collections are deposited into the Arkansas Works Program Trust Fund pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 26-57-610(b)(2)(B)(ii).

All Other Health Insurance Policies Sold in Arkansas^

FY2017: \$55,601,627
FY2018: \$57,036,372

^ These collections are classified as general revenue and deposited into the State Treasury pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 26-57-610 *et seq.*

Thank you for the opportunity to answer the Chairman's question.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Ryan James
Public Information Officer

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From: Ryan James <Ryan.James@arkansas.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 9, 2018 3:40 PM
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Cc: Allen Kerr; Russ Galbraith; Zane Chrisman; Suzanne Tipton
Subject: AID Health Insurance Premium Taxes

Phil,

Responding to your previous email re Rep. Ferguson wanting to know how our 2.5% premium tax is distributed, here is information on health insurance premium tax collections for FY2017 and FY2018:

Health Care Premium Taxes Collected and Distributed

- **Arkansas Works and Health Policies Sold on Healthcare.gov**
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 - FY2018: \$57,036,372
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Best,

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