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## Kansas Revenues Short of Education Board Request

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) - Kansas policymakers are expected to learn within days just how well they did at cutting government spending and collecting revenue in the last fiscal year.

Preliminary numbers from legislative staff suggest the figure could be as much as \$175 million in the bank as Kansas enters fiscal year 2012. That's a far cry from where the state was just a short six months ago when Gov. Sam Brownback and the Republican-controlled Legislature was staring at a deficit that approached \$500 million.

Brownback and legislators trimmed spending by close to \$800 million in the state's overall \$14 billion budget from the previous year, including reducing funds for public schools by \$232 per student.

Now, with revenues improving, the State Board of Education is asking that those funds be restored.

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