# Budget Unit Brief



# **Department of Revenue - Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax**

## **Purpose and History**

The Department of Revenue (IDR) administers and oversees the major sources of state and local tax revenue. The IDR is divided into six major divisions:

- · Compliance Division
- Internal Services Division
- Property Tax Division
- · Revenue Operations Division
- Tax Policy and Communications Division
- Technology and Information Management Division

The Department's key responsibilities include collecting revenue and supervising the collection of a variety of property tax-related functions performed by local government officials. In addition to these duties, Iowa Code section <u>452A.57</u> requires the IDR and the Department of Transportation to act as administrators of funds collected from the Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax (MVFT), depending on which entity receives the initial tax payment.

The IDR receives an annual appropriation from the Motor Vehicle Use Tax Fund as authorized under Iowa Code section <u>452A.77</u>. The appropriation is used for salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, as well as the administration and enforcement of the provisions of Iowa Code chapter <u>452A</u> and the Motor Vehicle Use Program.

#### **Funding**

For FY 2017, the IDR received an appropriation from the Administration and Regulation Budget Subcommittee for the Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Fund of \$1.3 million. This level of funding has remained constant for several years.

# **Related Statutes**

lowa Code chapter 425A and lowa Code sections 452A.57 and 452A.77.

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### **More Information**

Iowa Department of Revenue: <a href="https://tax.iowa.gov/">https://tax.iowa.gov/</a>

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