5 Facts for the 2020 Legislative Session
There is revenue to invest.

• $170 million for ongoing needs
• $475 million for one-time needs
$645 million
There are many funding needs.

- K-12 public schools;
- Universities and community colleges;
- Affordable housing trust fund;
- Childcare assistance;
- State employee pay raises;
- Heritage Fund (state parks);
- Roads
2020 is an election year.

House: 31 Republicans and 29 Democrats

Senate: 17 Republicans and 13 Democrats
Taxes will go down not up.

• The Arizona legislature has cut taxes every year but one since 1990 reducing state revenues by $5 billion when adjusted for inflation.

• The legislature has never been able to increase taxes since Proposition 108 passed in 1992 (requiring 2/3 vote in both chambers)
Prop 108 + Tax Cuts = 3 Decades of Underfunded Priorities

Ongoing Revenues and Expenditures Per $1,000 of Personal Income

Fiscal Year

* - preliminary  *e - estimate
Source: Tabulations prepared by Tom Rex, Associate Director, Center for Competitiveness and Prosperity Research, Arizona State University, based on data from the Joint Legislative Budget Committee Staff, Appropriations Report, various years and the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.
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