

# **Governor Eric Holcomb 2017 Next Level Legislative Agenda**



**Cultivate a strong and diverse economy by growing Indiana as a magnet for jobs**

**Create a 20-year plan to fund roads and bridges**

**Develop a 21<sup>st</sup> century skilled and ready workforce**

**Attack the drug epidemic**

**Deliver great government service**

# Cultivate a strong and diverse economy by growing Indiana as a magnet for jobs

## *Status: Great progress in budget bill*

- Pass an honestly balanced budget
- Maintain reserve funds at prudent levels
- Pass a balanced budget amendment
- *Make Indiana an innovation hub over the next 10 years*
  - Convert the Next Generation Fund to the Next Level Fund to include investments in high-growth early stage and mid-cap Indiana companies
  - Seek Venture Capital Investment transferability
  - Continue appropriations to the 21 Fund
  - Create entrepreneurship grants to support programs and partnerships with Indiana higher education institutions and communities
  - Provide more research capabilities to the Indiana Biosciences Research Institute
  - Continue the momentum of the Regional Cities program





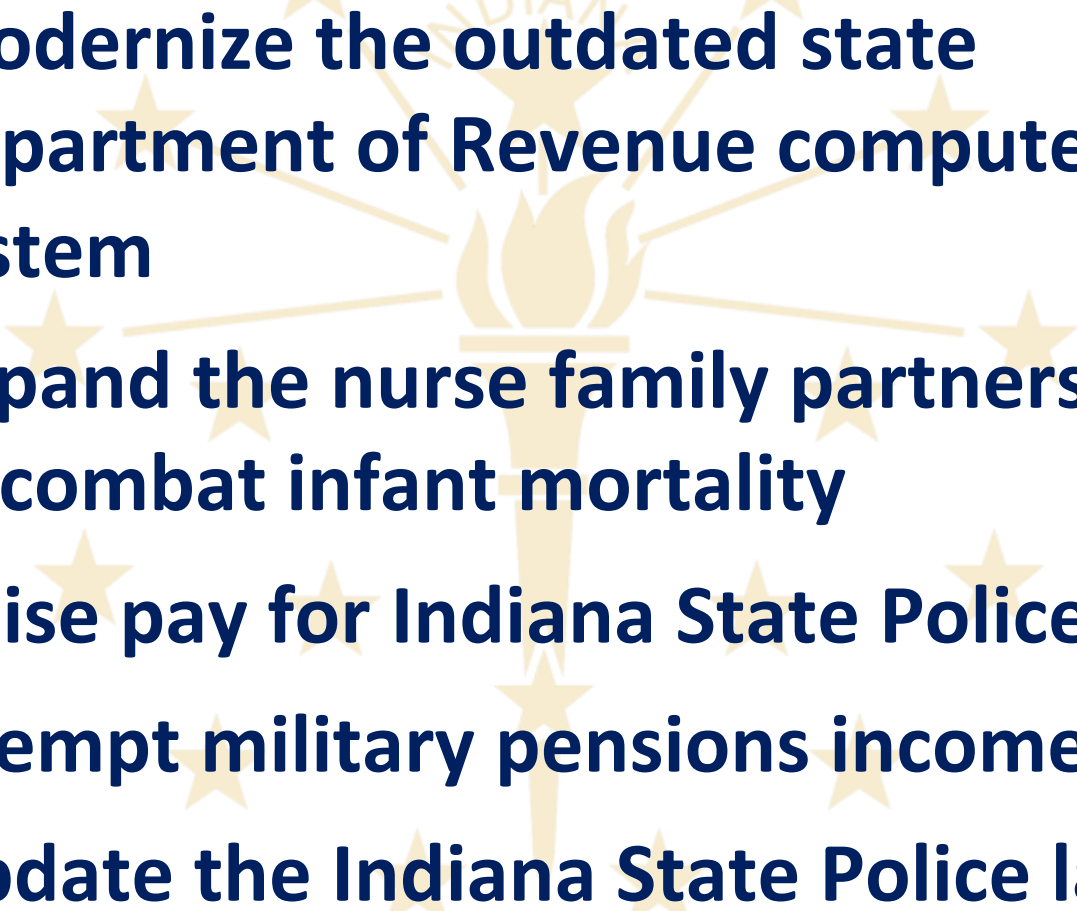
# Attack the drug epidemic

## Status: Great progress

- **Attack the drug epidemic on all fronts: prevention, treatment, & enforcement**
- **Create a position of Executive Director for Substance Abuse Prevention, Treatment and Enforcement within the governor's office**
- **Limit the amount of controlled substances prescriptions and refills**
- **Local authority to establish syringe exchange programs**
- **Enhance penalties for those who commit pharmacy robberies**

# Deliver great government service

Status: Great progress in the budget bill

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- **Modernize the outdated state Department of Revenue computer system**
  - **Expand the nurse family partnership to combat infant mortality**
  - **Raise pay for Indiana State Police**
  - **Exempt military pensions income**
  - **Update the Indiana State Police labs**