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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Selectmen
Advisory Committee

FROM: Melvin A. Kleckner, Town Administrator

RE: FY 2015 State Aid

DATE: March 28, 2014

Both branches of the State Legislature recently adopted a Local Aid Resolution for FY 2015 that increases statewide Unrestricted General Government Aid (UGGA) by \$25 million or 2.7% over the Governor's budget. The Resolution included the same amount of Chapter 70 aid as the Governor's budget. Based on the increase in UGGA, Brookline's state aid will increase by \$152,441 over the amount we used to fund the FY 2015 Financial Plan. This additional revenue will be split 50/50 between the Municipal and School budgets (at \$76,220 per).

This Resolution represents the final legislative action on the FY 2015 state budget for local aid. As a result, it is recommended that the updated amounts be incorporated within the Budget to be appropriated by Town Meeting in May. Specifically, I recommend that the additional \$76,220 be allocated to the Town's Collective Bargaining Reserve due to the uncertainty of the JLMC arbitration process. \$76,220 will be added to the School Department's budget for a total appropriation of \$86,827,208.

cc: William Lupini, Superintendent of Schools