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Summary of Municipal Aid Changes in the Revised FY 15 Budget

The FY 15 Revised Budget increases municipal aid by approximately \$56 million over originally appropriated FY 15 levels. The most significant of these changes are an additional:

- \$12.5 million for Magnet Schools,
- \$12.7 million in Municipal Revenue Sharing Account funding to reimburse towns for funding they lost inadvertently when the MRSA account was terminated effective June 30, 2013,
- \$8.3 million for ECS grants,
- \$10 million for the State Property PILOT grant,
- \$10 million for the College & Hospital PILOT grant, and
- \$1.1 million for a Property Tax Relief grant. Of this appropriation, payments of \$778,276 are intended to hold harmless any municipalities whose combined total State Property PILOT, College & Hospital PILOT, and Pequot grant payments in FY 15 are lower than in FY 14. Additional payments are also distributed to Montville (\$345,327) and Norwich (\$3,211).

Summary of FY 15 Revised Municipal Aid

Agency/ Appropriated Grant	FY 14 ¹ Actual \$	FY 15 Original \$	FY 15 Revised	Revised - Original	FY 15 Revised - FY 14 Actual
Appropriated Funds					
Office of Policy and Management (OPM)					
State Property PILOT	73,641,646	73,641,646	83,641,646	10,000,000	10,000,000
College & Hospital PILOT	115,431,737	115,431,737	125,431,737	10,000,000	10,000,000
Reimbursement Property Tax - Disability Exemption	400,000	400,000	400,000	-	-
Distressed Municipalities	5,800,000	5,800,000	5,800,000	-	-
Property Tax Relief Elderly Circuit Breaker	20,505,900	20,505,900	20,505,900	-	-

Agency/ Appropriated Grant	FY 14 ¹ Actual \$	FY 15 Original \$	FY 15 Revised	Revised - Original	FY 15 Revised - FY 14 Actual
Property Tax Relief Elderly Freeze Program	171,356	235,000	171,400	(63,600)	44
Property Tax Relief for Veterans	2,970,098	2,970,098	2,970,098	-	-
Focus Deterrence	550,659	475,000	475,000	-	(75,659)
Municipal Aid Adjustment	4,467,456	3,608,728	3,608,728	-	(858,728)
Grants To Towns	61,670,907	61,779,907	61,779,907	-	109,000
Property Tax Relief	-	-	1,126,814	1,126,814	1,126,814
Department of Housing (DOH)					
Tax Abatement	1,444,646	1,444,646	1,444,646	-	-
Payment In Lieu Of Taxes	1,873,400	1,873,400	1,873,400	-	-
Housing/Homeless Services - Municipality	640,398	640,398	640,398	-	-
Department of Health (DPH)					
Local and District Departments of Health	4,669,172	4,669,173	4,685,779	16,606	16,607
Venereal Disease Control	187,362	187,362	197,171	9,809	9,809
School Based Health Clinics	11,742,500	12,638,716	12,048,716	(590,000)	306,216
Department of Social Services (DSS)					
Human Resource Development-Hispanic Programs - Municipality	5,364	5,364	5,364	-	-
Teen Pregnancy Prevention - Municipality	137,826	137,826	137,826	-	-
Community Services - Municipality	83,761	83,761	83,761	-	-
State Department of Education					
Vocational Agriculture	9,485,565	9,485,565	10,985,565	1,500,000	1,500,000
Transportation of School Children	24,884,748	24,884,748	24,884,748	-	-
Adult Education	19,983,219	21,045,036	21,045,036	-	1,061,817
Health and Welfare Services Pupils Private Schools	4,297,500	4,297,500	4,297,500	-	-
Education Equalization Grants ⁴	1,992,574,734	2,031,286,724	2,039,540,614	8,253,890	46,965,880
Bilingual Education	1,888,327	1,916,130	1,916,130	-	27,803
Priority School Districts ²	47,427,206	46,947,022	47,197,022	250,000	(230,184)

Agency/ Appropriated Grant	FY 14 ¹ Actual \$	FY 15 Original \$	FY 15 Revised	Revised - Original	FY 15 Revised - FY 14 Actual
Young Parents Program	229,330	229,330	229,330	-	-
Interdistrict Cooperation	9,180,887	9,150,379	9,242,379	92,000	61,492
School Breakfast Program	2,296,164	2,379,962	2,379,962	-	83,798
Excess Cost - Student Based	139,805,731	139,805,731	139,805,731	-	-
Non-Public School Transportation	3,595,500	3,595,500	3,595,500	-	-
School To Work Opportunities	213,750	213,750	213,750	-	-
Youth Service Bureaus	2,929,483	2,989,268	2,989,268	-	59,785
Open Choice Program	30,488,160	42,616,736	38,116,736	(4,500,000)	7,628,576
Magnet Schools	287,171,942	281,250,025	293,750,025	12,500,000	6,578,083
After School Program	4,320,000	4,500,000	5,093,286	593,286	773,286
Office of Early Childhood					
Early Childhood Program	6,747,998	6,761,345	11,235,264	4,473,919	4,487,266
Child Care Services	17,296,986	18,419,752	19,422,345	1,002,593	2,125,359
School Readiness Quality Enhancement	2,160,408	3,895,645	5,195,645	1,300,000	3,035,237
School Readiness & Quality Enhancement ²	73,050,289	74,299,075	78,203,282	3,904,207	5,152,993
Connecticut State Library					
Grants To Public Libraries	202,365	203,569	203,569	-	1,204
Connecticard Payments	984,783	1,000,000	1,000,000	-	15,217
Connecticut Humanities Council	2,049,752	2,049,752	2,049,752	-	-
Teachers' Retirement Board (TRB)					
Retirement Contributions	948,540,000	984,110,000	984,110,000	-	35,570,000
Retirees Health Service Cost	11,431,255	21,214,000	14,714,000	(6,500,000)	3,282,745
Municipal Retiree Health Insurance Costs	5,198,872	5,447,370	5,447,370	-	248,498
Total- Appropriated Funds	3,954,829,142	4,050,522,576	4,093,892,100	43,369,524	139,062,958
Bonding and Other Revenue Sources					
Town Aid Road	60,000,000	60,000,000	60,000,000	-	-
LoCIP	30,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000	-	-
Municipal Revenue Sharing Account (MRSA) ³	-	-	12,700,000	12,700,000	12,700,000
Payments in lieu of MRSA ³	56,429,907	56,429,907	56,429,907	-	-
Total- Bonding and Other Revenue Sources	146,429,907	146,429,907	159,129,907	12,700,000	12,700,000
GROSS TOTAL	4,101,259,049	4,196,952,483	4,253,022,007	56,069,524	151,762,958

Agency/ Appropriated Grant	FY 14¹ Actual \$	FY 15 Original \$	FY 15 Revised	Revised - Original	FY 15 Revised - FY 14 Actual
MORE Commission Lapse	-	(10,000,000)	(10,000,000)	-	-
NET TOTAL	4,101,259,049	4,186,952,483	4,243,022,007	56,069,524	141,762,958

¹FY 14 Actuals for appropriated grants are from the Office of the State Comptroller's 9/30/14 unaudited General Fund financial statements. Figures include carryforward expenditures. Additionally, agencies may set aside a portion of a grant appropriation for grant administration, which they may transfer to other agency accounts. These transfers are considered appropriations adjustments and are not included in final FY 14 expenditure figures.

²PA 13-184, the FY 14 and FY 15 budget, transferred \$74.8 million in FY 14 and \$74.3 million in FY 15 from the SDE Priority School Districts account to reflect the transfer of School Readiness Quality Enhancement from SDE to OEC.

³PA 13-184, the FY 14 and FY 15 budget, eliminated the Municipal Revenue Sharing Account (MRSA). Bonded payments of \$56.4 million are to be distributed each year of the FY 14 and FY 15 biennium to towns in lieu thereof, on the basis of each town's FY 13 Manufacturing Transition Grant payment. These funds are subject to the same provisions as Town Aid Road grants. In addition, the FY 15 revised budget includes \$12.7 million to reimburse towns for the revenue they lost inadvertently when the MRSA account was terminated effective June 30, 2013.

⁴Does not include charter school funding of \$74.6 million in FY 14 and \$91.5 million in FY 15..