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TO: Mayors, Boards of Selectmen, City/Town Managers, Executive Secretaries, Finance Directors, and Treasurers

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SUBJECT: Impact of FY09 Local Aid Reductions on Quarterly Distributions

The purpose of this bulletin is to notify local officials of the impact the Governor's G.L. c. 29, §9C reductions will have on the third and fourth quarter local aid distributions in FY09. Local officials should make their cash flow plans assuming that the reduction in FY09 aid will be spread evenly between the third and fourth quarter distributions (see [9C Reduction file](#) for the amounts of the local aid reductions).

No doubt, the area of most concern from a cash flow perspective is whether the state will disburse quarterly aid consistent with the distribution schedule set out in G.L. c. 58, §18C. It is our intention to make these FY09 quarterly distributions on March 31st and June 30th, as scheduled.

The Division of Local Services recently published a Bulletin addressing the budgetary impact of the FY09 local aid reductions. [Bulletin 2009 04B](#) discusses the budgetary and financial implications of these reductions as well as the options available to address them.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about this information, please do not hesitate to contact our Local Aid Section at (617) 626-2320.