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MEMORANDUM TO: Municipal Treasurers/Clerk-Treasurers

Directors of Education Secretary/Treasurers of School

Authorities

FROM: Gabriel F. Sékaly

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DATE: March 10, 2015

SUBJECT: 2015 Proportions of Enrolment for purposes of

Education Act, subsections 238(2) and 257.8(3)

The Ministry of Education is required to publish, for each common jurisdictional area, the proportion of enrolment between school boards by municipality. These proportions, which are updated annually, are to be used by municipal clerks and treasurers to distribute **taxes on business property** (i.e. commercial, industrial and pipeline), **payments in lieu** or any other rateable property which does not have designated tax support to school boards. The proportions to be used for 2015 are attached as Table A.

As required under the Education Act, this table will be published shortly in **The Ontario Gazette**. Please note, **The Ontario Gazette** is the official Government of Ontario publication for all government notices.

The Ministry of Finance is responsible for setting tax rates for education. For the March 31st payment, section 257.11(1) of the Education Act requires municipalities to pay 25 percent of the previous calendar year (2014) amount levied for education taxes. On June 30, the amount of the payment is to be 50 percent of the amount to be levied for the current calendar year less the March 31st payment. The September 30th payment is to be 25 percent of the amount levied for the current calendar year and the December

15th payment is to be the balance owing for the current calendar year. Please note that because the March 31st payment is based on the previous year, the enrolment share proportions on Table A do not come into effect until the June 30th payment. Boards and municipalities can also arrange for a different instalment payment schedule by entering into an agreement as defined under section 257.11(5) of the Act.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please contact Martin Fry at (416) 327-9061.

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