

**TO:** ALA Council

**RE:** Personal Member Dues Adjustment

**ACTION REQUESTED/INFORMATION/REPORT:**

To approve the personal member dues adjustment proposal and place the proposal on the 2013 ballot for membership approval

**ACTION REQUESTED BY:**

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**DRAFT OF MOTION:**

That Council approves the dues adjustment proposal and directs that it be placed on the 2013 ballot for membership approval

**DATE:** January 28, 2013

**BACKGROUND:**

At their January 28, 2013 meeting, Council referred **CD#14 Revised 1-11-13** to the ALA Executive Board and requested that they revise the proposal to include a review of the use of the CPI to adjust dues. The following language is proposed for placement on the 2013 spring ballot. This proposal does not require a change to the ALA bylaws, but does require approval by the membership.

**Proposed language for the ballot:**

RESOLVED

Beginning in September 2013 and continuing annually through September 2017, personal member dues will be reviewed by the ALA Executive Board, which may approve a dues adjustment not to exceed the percentage change in the national average Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the previous calendar year, rounded to the nearest dollar. Any increase beyond the above provision proposed by the Executive Board will require approval by a vote of Council and a mail vote of ALA personal members.

This provision shall be formally evaluated by the Executive Board and Council in 2016 with input from ALA personal members. Any subsequent dues adjustment will require approval by a vote of the ALA Executive Board, Council and a mail vote of ALA personal members.