

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2726 Session of
2004

INTRODUCED BY T. STEVENSON AND STAIRS, JUNE 17, 2004

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, JUNE 17, 2004

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 14, 1961 (P.L.324, No.188), entitled
2 "An act relating to the establishment, operation and
3 maintenance of the State Library and public libraries in the
4 Commonwealth; amending, revising, consolidating and changing
5 the laws relating thereto; imposing duties upon public
6 officers; providing for State and local cooperation and
7 assistance in the establishment and maintenance of libraries;
8 prescribing penalties; and repealing existing laws,"
9 providing for fiscal year waiver of standards.

10 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
11 hereby enacts as follows:

12 Section 1. Section 103 heading and (a) of the act of June
13 14, 1961 (P.L.324, No.188), known as The Library Code, added
14 February 5, 2004, (P.L.59, No.6), are amended to read:

15 Section 103. [Fiscal Year 2003-2004] Waiver of Standards.--

16 (a) If the Commonwealth's appropriation for libraries in fiscal
17 [year] years 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 is less than that provided
18 in fiscal year 2002-2003, the following conditions shall apply:
19 during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June
20 30, 2004, and the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, and ending
21 June 30, 2005, the State Librarian may, upon application by the

1 board of directors of a local library, waive standards contained
2 in this act or regulations promulgated under this act relating
3 to hours of operation, continuing professional development,
4 collections expenditures and any other standards related to
5 library operations deemed appropriate by the State Librarian.

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7 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.