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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 24 (Education) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in Public Library Code, further providing for
3 privacy of circulation records.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 9375 of Title 24 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 9375. Privacy of circulation records.

9 (a) General rule.--Records of the following institutions
10 which relate to the circulation of library materials and contain
11 the names or other personally identifying information of users
12 of the materials shall be confidential and may not be made
13 available to anyone except by a court order in a criminal
14 proceeding:

15 (1) The State Library.

16 (2) A local library established or maintained under the
17 provisions of this chapter.

18 (3) The library of a university, college or educational

1 institution chartered by the Commonwealth.

2 (4) The library of a public school.

3 (5) A library established and maintained under a law of
4 this Commonwealth.

5 (6) A branch reading room, deposit station or agency
6 operated in connection with a library described in this
7 section.

8 (b) Exception.--This section shall not apply to a parent's
9 or legal guardian's inquiry regarding public school library
10 records pertaining to the parent's or legal guardian's minor
11 child.

12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.