

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1997 Session of
2007

INTRODUCED BY CLYMER, BAKER, BENNINGHOFF, BEYER, BRENNAN,
CALTAGIRONE, CREIGHTON, EVERETT, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, JAMES,
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READSHAW, ROHRER, SAYLOR, STERN, SWANGER, TRUE, WANSACZ,
WATERS, YOUNGBLOOD, BROOKS, DeLUCA, PHILLIPS, RAPP AND
THOMAS, OCTOBER 30, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, OCTOBER 30, 2007

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," further
9 providing for library circulation records.

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

12 Section 1. Section 428 of the act of June 14, 1961 (P.L.324,
13 No.188), known as The Library Code, added June 27, 1984
14 (P.L.431, No.90), is amended to read:

15 Section 428. Library Circulation Records.--Records related
16 to the circulation of library materials which contain the names
17 or other personally identifying details regarding the users of
18 the State Library or any local library which is established or
19 maintained under any law of the Commonwealth or the library of

1 any university, college or educational institution chartered by
2 the Commonwealth or the library of any public school or branch
3 reading room, deposit station or agency operated in connection
4 therewith, shall be confidential and shall not be made available
5 to anyone except by a court order in a criminal proceeding[.] or
6 except to a parent or guardian regarding records pertaining to
7 the parent's or guardian's minor child.

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