

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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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 State-aid for 2008-2009.

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

12 Section 1. The act of June 14, 1961 (P.L.324, No.188), known
13 as The Library Code, is amended by adding a section to read:

14 Section 303.17. State-aid for 2008-2009.--(a)

15 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, each
16 library shall be eligible for State-aid for fiscal year 2008-
17 2009 if the library:

18 (1) received State-aid for fiscal year 2007-2008 under
19 section 2316 of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known
20 as the "Public School Code of 1949"; and

1 (2) complies with the standards contained in this act,
2 regulations promulgated under this act relating to hours of
3 operation, continuing professional development, collections
4 expenditures and any other standards related to library
5 operations as required under section 104.

6 (b) The following is the formula for State-aid under this
7 section:

8 (1) Divide:

9 (i) the amount of funding the library received in fiscal
10 year 2007-2008 under section 2316 of the "Public School Code
11 of 1949"; by

12 (ii) the total State-aid subsidy for fiscal year 2007-2008.

13 (2) Multiply:

14 (i) the quotient under clause (1); by

15 (ii) the total State-aid subsidy for 2008-2009.

16 (c) After distribution of State-aid to libraries under this
17 section, any remaining unallocated funds may be distributed at
18 the discretion of the State Librarian.

19 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, or
20 immediately, whichever is later.