

No. 172

AN ACT

HB 1231

Amending the act of June 14, 1961 (P.L.324), entitled "An act relating to the establishment, operation and maintenance of the State Library and public libraries in the Commonwealth; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto; imposing duties upon public officers; providing for State and local cooperation and assistance in the establishment and maintenance of libraries; prescribing penalties; and repealing existing laws," providing for additional State-aid.

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

Section 1. Clause (1) of section 303, act of June 14, 1961 (P.L.324), known as "The Library Code," is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

Section 303. State-aid.—State-aid shall be paid when a library achieves the applicable standards determined by counselling with the State Librarian pursuant to the advice and recommendations of the Advisory Council on Library Development, or submits plans as set forth in section 304 of this act leading to the achievement of such standards, and makes a minimum financial effort as follows, except that no library receiving State-aid prior to and at time of the approval of this act shall receive less State-aid as a result of the provisions hereof notwithstanding that such library has not accepted the provisions of this act:

(1) Local Libraries. * * *

In the case of a local library which makes a minimum financial effort equal to one-half mill, or two dollars (\$2) per capita for each person residing in the direct service area, whichever is less, it shall receive, in addition to other amounts provided for herein, up to fifty cents (50¢) for each one dollar (\$1) expended by the local library in excess of the one-half mill or two dollars (\$2) per capita whichever is less, but this total additional State-aid shall not exceed twenty-five cents (25¢) per capita for each person residing in the direct service area.

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Section 2. Clause (4) of section 303 of the act is amended to read:

Section 303. State-aid.—State-aid shall be paid when a library achieves the applicable standards determined by counselling with the State Librarian pursuant to the advice and recommendations of the Advisory Council on Library Development, or submits plans as set forth in section 304 of this act leading to the achievement of such standards, and makes a minimum financial effort as follows, except that no library receiving State-aid prior to and at time of the approval of this act shall receive less State-aid as a result of the provisions hereof notwithstanding that such library has not accepted the provisions of this act:

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(4) District Library Centers. In the case of a library designated by the State Librarian to serve as a district library center, an additional sum of State-aid shall be given in an amount not exceeding twenty-five cents (25¢) for each person residing in the *entire* district [but outside the district service area of such library; except that in the case of a county library or a local library which includes one or more counties in its direct service area, the amount of additional State-aid under this subsection shall be a sum not exceeding twenty-five cents (25¢) per capita for each person residing in the district but outside the city, borough, town, township or school district, in which such library is located, and] except that in the case of any State College library, the Pennsylvania State University Library and any privately supported college or university library designated as a district library center, the amount of State-aid shall not exceed twelve and one-half cents (12 1/2¢) for each person residing in the entire district.

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APPROVED—The 29th day of December, A. D. 1971.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 172.



Secretary of the Commonwealth.