

No. 2002-164

AN ACT

HB 1686

Amending the act of June 14, 1961 (P.L.324, No.188), 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," further providing for local library use of incentive for excellence funds.

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

Section 1. Section 303.5(d) of the act of June 14, 1961 (P.L.324, No.188), known as The Library Code, amended June 22, 2001 (P.L.554, No.36), is amended to read:

Section 303.5. Incentive For Excellence Aid.—\* \* \*

(d) A local library or library system shall not use incentive for excellence funds to reduce its financial effort[.] *for normal, recurring operating costs from a previous level unless evidence of substantial curtailment of financial ability of the community is accepted by the State Librarian.*

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 9th day of December, A.D. 2002.

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