

CHAPTER 134

LIBRARIES

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134.31 STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; LIBRARY RESPONSIBILITIES.

[For text of subds 1 to 4, see M.S.1988]

Subd. 5. **Advisory committee.** The commissioner shall appoint an advisory committee of five members to advise the staff of the Minnesota library for the blind and physically handicapped on long-range plans and library services. Members shall be people who use the library. Section 15.059 governs this committee.

History: 1989 c 329 art 10 s 1

134.33 ESTABLISHMENT GRANTS.

Subdivision 1. An establishment grant as described in section 134.32, subdivision 2, shall be made to any regional public library system for the first two state fiscal years after a board of county commissioners has contracted to join that system and has agreed that the county will provide the levels of support for public library service specified in this section. In 1990, the county shall provide an amount of support equivalent to 0.25 percent of the adjusted gross tax capacity of the taxable property of the county as determined by the commissioner of revenue for the second year preceding that calendar year or two-thirds of the per capita amount established under the provisions of section 134.34, subdivision 1, whichever amount is less. In 1991 and in each year thereafter, the county shall provide an amount of support equivalent to 0.41 percent of the adjusted net tax capacity of the taxable property of the county as determined by the commissioner of revenue for the second year preceding that calendar year or the per capita amount established under the provisions of section 134.34, subdivision 1, whichever is less. The minimum level of support shall be certified annually to the county by the department of education. In no event shall the department of education require any county to provide a higher level of support than the level of support specified in this section in order for a system to qualify for an establishment grant. This section shall not be construed to prohibit any county from providing a higher level of support for public libraries than the level of support specified in this section.

History: 1989 c 329 art 13 s 5

NOTE: Subdivision 1 is repealed effective July 1, 1991. See Laws 1989, chapter 329, article 10, section 5, subdivision 2.

134.34 REGIONAL LIBRARY BASIC SYSTEM SUPPORT GRANTS; REQUIREMENTS.

Subdivision 1. **Local support levels.** A regional library basic system support grant shall be made to any regional public library system where there are at least three participating counties and where each participating city and county, except in the first year of participation as provided in section 134.33, is providing for public library service support the lesser of (a) an amount equivalent to 0.33 percent of the adjusted gross tax capacity of the taxable property of that city or county, as determined by the commissioner of revenue for the second year preceding that calendar year in 1990 and an amount equivalent to .41 percent of the net tax capacity of the taxable property of that city or county, as determined by the commissioner of revenue for the second year preceding that calendar year in 1991 and later years or (b) a per capita amount

calculated under the provisions of this subdivision. The per capita amount is established for calendar year 1990 as \$3.62. In succeeding calendar years, the per capita amount shall be increased by a percentage equal to one-half of the percentage by which the total state adjusted net tax capacity of property as determined by the commissioner of revenue for the second year preceding that calendar year increases over that total adjusted net tax capacity for the third year preceding that calendar year. The minimum level of support shall be certified annually to the participating cities and counties by the department of education. A city which is a part of a regional public library system shall not be required to provide this level of support if the property of that city is already taxable by the county for the support of that regional public library system. In no event shall the department of education require any city or county to provide a higher level of support than the level of support specified in this section in order for a system to qualify for a regional library basic system support grant. This section shall not be construed to prohibit a city or county from providing a higher level of support for public libraries than the level of support specified in this section.

Subd. 2. Required increases; limit. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 134.33 and subdivision 1, after the second year of participation by a city or county, the dollar amount of the minimum level of support for that city or county shall not be required to increase by more than ten percent over the dollar amount of the minimum level of support required of it in the previous year.

Subd. 3. Regional designation. Regional library basic system support grants shall be made only to those regional public library systems officially designated by the state board of education as the appropriate agency to strengthen, improve and promote public library services in the participating areas. The state board of education shall designate no more than one such regional public library system located entirely within any single development region existing under sections 462.381 to 462.398 or chapter 473.

Subd. 4. A regional library basic system support grant shall not be made to a regional public library system for a participating city or county which decreases the dollar amount provided for support for operating purposes of public library service below the amount provided by it for the preceding year. This subdivision shall not apply to participating cities or counties where the adjusted net tax capacity of that city or county has decreased, if the dollar amount of the reduction in support is not greater than the dollar amount by which support would be decreased if the reduction in support were made in direct proportion to the decrease in adjusted net tax capacity.

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1989 c 329 art 10 s 5]

[For text of subd 6, see M.S.1988]

History: 1989 c 329 art 10 s 2,3; art 13 s 6; art 13 s 20

134.35 REGIONAL LIBRARY BASIC SYSTEM SUPPORT GRANTS; DISTRIBUTION FORMULA.

[For text of subs 1 to 4, see M.S.1988]

Subd. 5. Seventeen and one-half percent of the available grant funds shall be distributed to regional public library systems which contain counties whose adjusted net tax capacity per capita were below the state average adjusted net tax capacity per capita for the second year preceding the fiscal year for which the grant is made. Each system's entitlement shall be calculated as follows:

(a) subtract the adjusted net tax capacity per capita for each eligible county or participating portion of a county from the statewide average adjusted net tax capacity per capita;

(b) multiply the difference obtained in clause (a) for each eligible county or participating portion of a county by the population of that eligible county or participating portion of a county;

(c) for each regional public library system, determine the sum of the results of the computation in clause (b) for all eligible counties or portions thereof in that system;

(d) determine the sum of the result of the computation in clause (b) for all eligible counties or portions thereof in all regional public library systems in the state;

(e) for each system, divide the result of the computation in clause (c) by the result of the computation in clause (d) to obtain the allocation factor for that system;

(f) multiply the allocation factor for each system as determined in clause (e) times the amount of the remaining grant funds to determine each system's dollar allocation pursuant to this subdivision.

History: 1989 c 329 art 13 s 20