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**STATE AID TO LIBRARIES**

**House Bill 4169**

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**Committee: State Affairs**

**Complete to 4-2-93**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4169 AS INTRODUCED 2-2-93**

The bill would amend the State Aid to Public Libraries Act to extend to district libraries a requirement that the state reimburse part of a county library's head librarian's salary under certain circumstances. The bill also would repeal Public Act 250 of 1931 (MCL 397.151 and 397.158), which allows the establishment and provides for the maintenance of regional libraries, and the part of Public Act 89 of 1977 (MCL 397.576) which repealed the State Aid to Public Libraries Act of 1965.

Currently, under the State Aid to Public Libraries Act, certain county libraries serving a populations of 50,000 or less may receive from the state up to \$400 a month, or \$4,800 a year, as partial reimbursement for their head librarians' salaries. In order for the county library to be eligible for this state reimbursement, (1) the head librarian must have a bachelor's degree, including or supplemented by one year of training in an accredited library school, and at least four years' library experience in an administrative capacity; and (2) the library must have received at least \$3,600 in county funds during its last fiscal year.

The bill would amend the State Aid to Public Libraries Act to extend these requirements and this state aid to district libraries. Both kinds of libraries could receive the \$3,600 minimum from library millages; county libraries could continue to receive it from county funds, while district libraries also could receive it from participating municipalities.

**MCL 397.552 and 397.566**

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