

## THE DISTRICT LIBRARY ESTABLISHMENT ACT (EXCERPT)

Act 24 of 1989

### 397.173b Merging of district libraries; requirements; districtwide library tax.

Sec. 3b. (1) Two or more district libraries may merge if all of the following requirements are satisfied:

(a) The governing boards of the district libraries by majority vote approve that the district libraries merge and that all territory located within their jurisdictional service areas are included in the merger.

(b) The approving resolution is conditioned upon majority vote of approval by the governing boards of all participating municipalities, within a period of time specified in the resolution.

(c) By a majority vote of the members of the district library boards, amend the agreement to reflect the merger of the libraries and the territory served by the merger.

(d) The amendments to the agreement shall include, but are not limited to, changes in board representation, the percentage of funds necessary from each participating municipality for the establishment and operation of the merged district libraries, a revised legal description of the district, and a map that clearly shows the revised service area of the new district library.

(e) That all amendments and resolutions are submitted to the state librarian.

(2) If there is a districtwide library tax being levied by a participating library at the time of the merger, the tax will remain in effect and can be considered as a portion or all of that library's contribution in the merger. A districtwide tax will be extinguished upon the approval of a merged district library districtwide tax by the majority of the electorate residing in the merged district libraries' jurisdictional limits.

**History:** Add. 2005, Act 60, Imd. Eff. July 7, 2005.

**Popular name:** District Libraries Act

**Compiler's note:** For transfer of powers and duties of library of Michigan and state librarian, except pertaining to services for blind and physically handicapped and those related to census data functions, to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2009-26, compiled at MCL 399.752.