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(As Amended by House Amendment Schedule "A")

**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM
ENDING JUNE 30, 2027, AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS
THEREFOR, AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO REVENUE AND
OTHER ITEMS IMPLEMENTING THE STATE BUDGET."**

1 Strike section 345 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu
2 thereof:

3 "Sec. 345. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section:

4 (1) "Library and other educational material" means any material
5 belonging to, on loan to or otherwise in the custody of a school library
6 media center, including, but not limited to, nonfiction and fiction books,
7 magazines, reference books, supplementary titles, multimedia and
8 digital material, software and other material not required as part of
9 classroom instruction.

10 (2) "School library staff member" means a school library media

11 specialist, school librarian, any certificated or noncertificated staff
12 member whose assignment is in the school library or any individual
13 carrying out or assisting with the functions of a school library media
14 specialist or school librarian.

15 (3) "Individual with a vested interest" means any school staff member
16 employed by a local or regional board of education, parent or guardian
17 of a student currently enrolled in a school at the time a reconsideration
18 form is filed under subsection (e) of this section and any student
19 currently enrolled in a school at the time a reconsideration form is filed
20 under subsection (e) of this section.

21 (4) "Remove" means deliberately taking library material out of a
22 library's collection. "Remove" does not include the process of clearing
23 such collection of any materials that are no longer useful.

24 (b) Each local and regional board of education, after consulting with
25 the superintendent of schools, the director of curriculum and a librarian
26 employed by such board, shall adopt a (1) collection development and
27 maintenance policy, (2) library display and program policy, and (3)
28 library material review and reconsideration policy. In developing each
29 such policy, the local and regional board of education shall have control
30 over the content of each such policy. Each local and regional board of
31 education shall review and update each such policy as it becomes
32 necessary.

33 (c) Any school library media specialist or school library staff member
34 who, in good faith, implements the policies described in this section
35 shall be immune from any liability, civil or criminal, that might
36 otherwise be incurred or imposed and shall have the same immunity
37 with respect to any judicial proceeding that results from such
38 implementation.

39 (d) Each local and regional board of education shall make the (1)
40 collection development and maintenance policy, (2) library program
41 and display policy, and (3) library material review and reconsideration

42 policy adopted under this section available on the board's or governing
43 body's Internet web site, or, if no such Internet web site exists, inside the
44 school library or included as part of such school library's policy
45 manual."