

**STATE AID TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 89 of 1977**

**397.552 Definitions.**

Sec. 2.

As used in this act:

- (a) "Department" means the department of history, arts, and libraries.
- (b) "Local board" means the board of trustees or directors that has as its primary purpose the supervision of a local public library, or that board contracting for library service, or, if such a board does not exist, the legislative body of the local government that maintains the public library.
- (c) "Local support" means funds from tax sources, gifts, endowments, penal fines, or other funds received from local sources, excluding state and federal aid as stated in this act.
- (d) "Public library" means a library that is lawfully established for free public purposes by 1 or more counties, cities, townships, villages, school districts, or other local governments or a combination thereof, or by a public or local act, the entire interests of which belong to the general public. Public library does not include a special library such as a professional, technical, or school library.
- (e) "Cooperative board" means the governing board of a cooperative library.
- (f) "Cooperative library" means the library or service center designated by a cooperative board to execute services established by a cooperative plan and provided to libraries participating in a cooperative.

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