
SENATE BILL No. 201

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 36-12.

Synopsis: Libraries. Allows a library board to provide severance pay to a library employee who is voluntarily separated from employment with the library. Allows the library board to appropriate funds to provide membership of library employees in local, state, and national associations of a civic, educational, professional, or governmental nature.

Effective: July 1, 2011.

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January 5, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2010 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 36-12-2-24, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005,
2 SECTION 49, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2011]: Sec. 24. (a) The library board shall select a librarian
4 who holds a certificate under IC 36-12-11 to serve as the director of the
5 library. The selection shall be made solely upon the basis of the
6 candidate's training and proficiency in the science of library
7 administration. The board shall fix the compensation of the director.
8 The director, as the administrative head of the library, is responsible to
9 the board for the operation and management of the library.

10 (b) The library board shall employ and discharge librarians and
11 other individuals that are necessary in the administration of the affairs
12 of the library. The board shall:

13 (1) fix and pay the compensation;
14 (2) classify and adopt schedules of salaries; and
15 (3) determine the number and prescribe the duties;
16 of the librarians and other individuals, with the advice and
17 recommendations of the library director.



1 (c) In exercising the powers of the library board under this section,
 2 the library board may reimburse:
 3 (1) candidates for employment for expenses reasonably incurred
 4 while interviewing; and
 5 (2) new employees for the reasonable moving expenses of the
 6 employees.
 7 If the library board exercises authority under this subsection, the board
 8 shall establish reasonable levels of reimbursement for the purposes of
 9 this subsection.
 10 (d) A library board may provide severance pay to a library employee
 11 who is involuntarily separated from employment with the library.
 12 SECTION 2. IC 36-12-3-15, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005,
 13 SECTION 49, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 14 JULY 1, 2011]: Sec. 15. The library board may appropriate funds
 15 necessary to provide membership of:
 16 (1) the public library; **and**
 17 (2) **library employees;**
 18 in local, state, and national associations of a civic, an educational, a
 19 professional, or a governmental nature that have as their purpose the
 20 betterment and improvement of library operations.

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