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HOUSE BILL No. 387

(By Mr. Trent)



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AN ACT to amend and reenact section twenty, article five, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the authority of county boards of education in respect to the maintenance of school libraries, and to the employment and salaries of librarians.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

That section twenty, article five, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted, to read as follows:

Section 20. *School Libraries; Librarian.*—The board  
2 may provide libraries for its schools and may purchase  
3 books, bookcases, and other things necessary therefor,  
4 and shall pay the cost of such libraries out of the school  
5 funds of the county. In connection with any such school

6 library, the board may employ a full-time librarian or  
7 may require one of the teachers at the school to serve  
8 as a part-time librarian. Any such full-time librarian or  
9 any such teacher-librarian, who holds a degree in library  
10 science based upon the successful completion of a full  
11 year of graduate work at an institution qualified and  
12 approved to offer such degree, and who holds a collegiate  
13 elementary, first-class high school, or other certificate of  
14 equal rank, shall be paid the same salary as is prescribed  
15 by law for teachers holding a master's degree.

16 The board shall have authority to employ during the  
17 vacation period a librarian for any school having a library  
18 of one hundred or more volumes, and to pay such librarian  
19 out of the school funds of the county an amount to be  
20 determined by the board. Any librarian so appointed  
21 shall keep the library open at least one day a week, at  
22 which time the patrons and pupils of the school may  
23 draw books from the library under such rules and  
24 regulations for the care and return thereof as the board  
25 may prescribe.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

*Frank L. McMur*

Chairman Senate Committee

*R. D. Matthews*

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates

Takes effect July 1, 1949 passage.

*Howard Keyser*  
Clerk of the Senate

*J. Ashiff*  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

*W. Douglas*  
President of the Senate

*W. C. Pennington*  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within APPROVED this the 18TH

day of MARCH, 1949.

*Chas. L. Patton*  
Governor.



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of West Virginia

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D. PITT O'BRIEN,  
SECRETARY OF STATE