

Amendment No. (for drafter's use only)

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Representative Garcia offered the following:

**Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

Remove line(s) 112-127, and insert:

Section 2. Section 257.191, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

257.191 Public library construction grants.--

(1) The Division of Library and Information Services may accept and administer library construction moneys appropriated to it and shall allocate such appropriation to municipal, county, and regional libraries in the form of public library construction grants on a matching basis. The local matching portion shall be no less than the grant amount, on a dollar-for-dollar basis, up to the maximum grant amount 50 percent. The division shall waive the matching requirement if a county or municipality requests a waiver of the matching requirement and has been designated a rural community in accordance with ss.

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28 288.0656(2)(b) and 288.06561. Initiation of a library  
29 construction project 12 months or less prior to the grant award  
30 under this section shall not affect the eligibility of an  
31 applicant to receive a public library construction grant.

32 (2)(a) The Division of Library and Information Services  
33 may accept and administer moneys appropriated to it for small  
34 county public library construction grants. The purpose of the  
35 grants is to assist counties and municipalities that have been  
36 designated rural communities in accordance with ss.  
37 288.0656(2)(b) and 288.06561 to construct, expand, or renovate  
38 public library facilities to meet the requirement of 0.6 square  
39 feet per capita of total library floor space.

40 (b) To be eligible to compete for funds under this  
41 section, a county or municipality shall:

42 1. Comply with the definition of rural community as  
43 provided in s. 288.0656(2)(b).

44 2. Have less than 0.6 square feet per capita of total  
45 library floor space.

46 3. Certify that the county or municipality will  
47 appropriate and expend sufficient funds to operate the completed  
48 library facility.

49 4. Not apply for a grant under the public library  
50 construction grant program provided in subsection (1) during the  
51 same fiscal year.

52 (c) The implementation of the provisions of the small  
53 county public library construction grants under this subsection  
54 shall be contingent upon specific appropriations provided to the  
55 Department of State for funding of these grants.

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56        (3) The division shall adopt rules for the administration  
57 of library construction grants. For the purposes of this  
58 section, s. 257.21 does not apply.

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61 ===== T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T =====

62        Remove line(s) 7 & 8, and insert:  
63        s. 257.191, F.S.; revising provisions relating to public  
64        library construction grants; providing for waiver of local  
65        matching requirement under certain circumstances;  
66        authorizing the Division of Library and Information  
67        Services to administer certain funds; providing for  
68        eligibility for grant funding; providing for the adoption  
69        of rules; providing for effect contingent upon certain  
70        appropriations; amending s. 257.22, F.S.; permitting