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H. F. No. 1626

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to libraries; modifying the distribution of regional library basic system
1.3 support; appropriating money for regional library basic system support;
1.4 amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 134.355, subdivisions 5, 6.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 134.355, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 5. **Base aid distribution.** ~~Five~~ Fifteen percent of the available aid funds shall
1.8 be paid to each system as base aid for basic system services.

1.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2015.

1.10 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 134.355, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

1.11 Subd. 6. **Adjusted net tax capacity per capita distribution.** ~~Twenty-five~~
1.12 Fifteen percent of the available aid funds shall be distributed to regional public library
1.13 systems based upon the adjusted net tax capacity per capita for each member county or
1.14 participating portion of a county as calculated for the second year preceding the fiscal year
1.15 for which aid is provided. Each system's entitlement shall be calculated as follows:

1.16 (a) Multiply the adjusted net tax capacity per capita for each county or participating
1.17 portion of a county by .0082.

1.18 (b) Add sufficient aid funds that are available under this subdivision to raise the
1.19 amount of the county or participating portion of a county with the lowest value calculated
1.20 according to paragraph (a) to the amount of the county or participating portion of a county
1.21 with the next highest value calculated according to paragraph (a). Multiply the amount of
1.22 the additional aid funds by the population of the county or participating portion of a county.

2.1 (c) Continue the process described in paragraph (b) by adding sufficient aid funds
 2.2 that are available under this subdivision to the amount of a county or participating portion
 2.3 of a county with the next highest value calculated in paragraph (a) to raise it and the
 2.4 amount of counties and participating portions of counties with lower values calculated in
 2.5 paragraph (a) up to the amount of the county or participating portion of a county with the
 2.6 next highest value, until reaching an amount where funds available under this subdivision
 2.7 are no longer sufficient to raise the amount of a county or participating portion of a county
 2.8 and the amount of counties and participating portions of counties with lower values up to
 2.9 the amount of the next highest county or participating portion of a county.

2.10 (d) If the point is reached using the process in paragraphs (b) and (c) at which the
 2.11 remaining aid funds under this subdivision are not adequate for raising the amount of a
 2.12 county or participating portion of a county and all counties and participating portions of
 2.13 counties with amounts of lower value to the amount of the county or participating portion
 2.14 of a county with the next highest value, those funds are to be divided on a per capita
 2.15 basis for all counties or participating portions of counties that received aid funds under
 2.16 the calculation in paragraphs (b) and (c).

2.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2015.

2.18 Sec. 3. **APPROPRIATIONS; LIBRARIES.**

2.19 **Subdivision 1. Department of Education.** The sums indicated in this section are
 2.20 appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education for the fiscal years
 2.21 designated.

2.22 **Subd. 2. Regional library basic system support.** For regional library basic system
 2.23 support aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 134.355:

2.24	\$	<u>18,570,000</u>	<u>.....</u>	<u>2016</u>
2.25	\$	<u>18,570,000</u>	<u>.....</u>	<u>2017</u>

2.26 The 2016 appropriation includes \$..... for 2015 and \$..... for 2016.

2.27 The 2017 appropriation includes \$..... for 2016 and \$..... for 2017.