

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE DRS55114-LG-137 (3/8)

Short Title: Public Libraries/Maintenance of Effort. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Berger of Rockingham.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT PROVIDING PUBLIC LIBRARIES WITH AN EXEMPTION FROM THE
MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT REQUIREMENT FOR RECEIVING STATE
GRANTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law or any rule adopted by the Division of State Library, Department of Cultural Resources, a grant to a local library system from the Aid to Public Libraries Fund shall not be terminated or reduced because local funding for the public library has been reduced by the local governing body unless local funding falls below the per capita average budgeted by municipalities and counties in the State.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective June 30, 2005.