SB0448/273229/1

BY: Ways and Means Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 448

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, after "years;" insert "requiring each public library to offer at least one type of service beginning on a certain date;"; and after line 15, insert:

"BY adding to

Article - Education

Section 23-410

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 23, strike "<u>EACH OF</u>"; in the same line, strike "<u>YEARS</u>" and substitute "<u>YEAR</u>"; and in the same line, strike "AND 2023".

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 25 on page 2 through line 5 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

"(IX) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023...... \$9.19 PER EACH RESIDENT OF THE AREA SERVED;

(X) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024...... \$9.39 PER EACH RESIDENT OF THE AREA SERVED;

(XI) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025...... \$9.59 PER EACH RESIDENT OF THE AREA SERVED;

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(XII) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026....... \$9.79 PER EACH RESIDENT OF THE AREA SERVED; AND

(XIII) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR

THEREAFTER......\$9.99 PER EACH RESIDENT OF THE AREA SERVED.

23–410.

BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024, EACH PUBLIC LIBRARY MUST OFFER AT LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SERVICES ALONE OR IN PARTNERSHIP WITH UNITS OF GOVERNMENT OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS:

- (1) A PROGRAM TO INCREASE SCORES ON THE KINDERGARTEN ASSESSMENT ADMINISTERED UNDER § 7–210 OF THIS ARTICLE;
- (2) A PROGRAM DESIGNED TO CLOSE LEARNING GAPS CREATED BY LACK OF ACCESS TO EDUCATION, INCLUDING LEARNING GAPS THAT OCCURRED DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC;
- (3) AN INITIATIVE TO EXPAND DIGITAL EQUITY AND ACCESS TO FREE COMPUTING AND BROADBAND INTERNET;
- (4) AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTION AND SKILLS, HEALTH LITERACY, INSTRUCTION ON OPERATING A SMALL BUSINESS, AND INSTRUCTION ON WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT;
- (5) SERVING AS A COMMUNITY RESOURCE AND DISTRIBUTION SITE DURING PUBLIC EMERGENCIES;

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- (6) A PROGRAM TO REDUCE BARRIERS TO STEM EDUCATION, INCLUDING BY PROVIDING ACTIVITIES, CLASSES, PROGRAMS, AND EVENTS; AND
- (7) SUPPORT FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND REDUCING SOCIAL AND PHYSICAL ISOLATION.".

On pages 3 and 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 27 on page 3 through line 4 on page 4, inclusive, and substitute:

- "(VIII) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 \$17.10;
- (IX) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 \$17.50;
- (X) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 \$17.90;
- (XI) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 \$18.30;
- (XII) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 \$18.70; AND
- (XIII) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 \$19.10".