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**SPONSOR STATEMENT**

**Senate Bill 348 – Public Libraries – State Library Resource Center - Funding**

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Madame Chair and Members of the Ways and Means Committee:

The State Library Resource Center (SLRC) is the State Library for Maryland and works with libraries across the state, to provide cooperative and cost-effective resources and services for Maryland libraries and their customers.

For fiscal year 2024 the SLRC will be funded at a rate of \$1.97 per State Resident.

This legislation will increase the funding as follows:

FY 2025 - \$2.07 per state resident

FY 2026 - \$2.15 per state resident

FY 2027 - \$2.24 per state resident

FY 2028 - \$2.33 per state resident

FY 2029 - \$2.42 per state resident

FY 2030 and each fiscal year thereafter - \$2.52 per state resident

These increases will ensure that our State Library has the resources necessary to adequately support our libraries and provide the services that our residents need and deserve.

I respectfully request a favorable report on Senate Bill 348.