

CHAPTER 65

(HB 386)

AN ACT relating to librarians and libraries.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

Section 1. KRS 171.270 is amended to read as follows:

The board shall require a fee of not less than **five dollars (\$5)**~~one dollar (\$1)~~ nor more than **twenty dollars (\$20)**~~five dollars (\$5)~~ to be paid by each applicant for a librarian's certificate.

Section 2. KRS 171.280 is amended to read as follows:

The revolving fund established by the branch budget bill, consisting of all moneys collected under the provisions of KRS 171.230 to **171.306**~~171.300~~ shall be designated as the librarian's certification fund. All money credited to the fund shall be used for the support of the Board for Certification of Librarians, and for the purposes of KRS 171.230 to **171.306**~~171.300~~.

Section 3. KRS 173.810 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) The Kentucky State Advisory Council on Libraries is hereby created and shall be composed of twenty-one (21) members, appointed by the Governor for a term of four (4) years, except that of the twenty-one (21) members initially appointed, six (6) shall serve terms of four (4) years, five (5) shall serve terms of three (3) years, five (5) shall serve terms of two (2) years and five (5) shall serve terms of one (1) year. The Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky shall appoint from this membership a chairman and co-chairman to serve for periods of two (2) years each. The council shall be attached to the **Education** Cabinet~~for Education and the Arts~~ for administrative purposes.
- (2) Of the twenty-one (21) members, four (4) shall represent public libraries, two (2) shall represent school libraries, two (2) shall represent college or university libraries, **four (4) shall represent special and**~~two (2) shall represent special libraries, two (2) shall represent~~ institutional libraries, two (2) shall represent library users with disabilities and seven (7) members, at least one (1) of whom shall be representative of disadvantaged persons, shall represent library users.
- (3) Vacancies shall be filled by the Governor in the same manner as initial appointments are made.
- (4) Members of the Kentucky State Advisory Council on Libraries shall be compensated for actual and necessary expenses.
- (5) The council shall be the state advisory council on libraries for the purposes of **advising the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives on federal and state library development issues**~~Section 3(8) of the Federal Library Services and Construction Act~~.

Section 4. KRS 171.230 is amended to read as follows:

The provisions of KRS 171.240 to **171.306**~~171.300~~ shall apply to public libraries as defined in KRS 171.125.

Section 5. KRS 171.250 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) The board shall grant certificates of librarianship to applicants who are graduates of library schools approved by the board and shall grant certificates to other applicants when it has satisfied itself that the applicant is qualified for library work. Applicants shall provide such information as required by the board to determine their qualifications.
- (2) The board may issue renewals, determine the positions for which certificates of librarianship shall be required, and may adopt rules and regulations for its own government and for carrying out the purposes of KRS 171.230 to **171.306**~~171.300~~.
- (3) The board may issue certificates to qualified persons who are serving in libraries not supported from public funds.
- (4) Librarians who were in service on May 31, 1938, and served one (1) year prior to such date shall be entitled to receive a life certificate in accordance with their qualifications, without examination, upon the payment of prescribed fee.

Section 6. KRS 171.260 is amended to read as follows:

No library coming under the provisions of KRS 171.230 to **171.306**~~[171.300]~~ shall have in its employ, in the position of librarian, or in any other full-time library service position, a person who does not hold an appropriate certificate of librarianship issued by the board.

Approved March 21, 2007.