

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 1088
HOUSE BILL 1113

AN ACT TO AMEND HOUSE BILL 1113 DATED MAY 6, 1977, TO PROVIDE
INCREASED SUPPORT OF LIBRARY/MEDIA PERSONNEL IN THE PUBLIC
SCHOOLS THROUGH AN ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.

Whereas, it is the generally accepted belief of educators, students, parents, and other citizens of the State that the library/media center is an essential base on which all instructional programs must be built; and

Whereas, there are 574 schools or nearly one-fourth of the total number of schools in North Carolina that have no full-time certified librarian; and

Whereas, the growing urgency to find improved ways of insuring that every child reads up to the level of his potential cannot be effectively implemented in the absence of adequate library/media services; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Board of Education for 1977-78 five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for the purpose of providing library/media personnel in the schools of North Carolina.

Sec. 2. The State Board of Education is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations for the distribution of library/media personnel funds, on the basis of average daily membership (ADM), to each administrative unit of the State.

Sec. 3. Each city and county administrative unit in the State shall employ library/media personnel in accordance with State library/media guidelines approved by the State Board of Education insofar as funds are approved for that purpose by the North Carolina General Assembly.

Sec. 4. Chapter 965 of the 1975 Session Laws and its codification in G.S. 115-59(b) and G.S. 115-206.24 are repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall become effective July 1, 1977.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 1st day of July, 1977.