THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

- Amending Title 24 (Education) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Public Library Code, further providing for
- 3 privacy of circulation records.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 9375 of Title 24 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 9375. Privacy of circulation records.
- 9 (a) General rule. -- Records of the following institutions
- 10 which relate to the circulation of library materials and contain
- 11 the names or other personally identifying information of users
- 12 of the materials shall be confidential and may not be made
- 13 available to anyone except by a court order in a criminal
- 14 proceeding:
- 15 (1) The State Library.
- 16 (2) A local library established or maintained under the
- 17 provisions of this chapter.
- 18 (3) The library of a university, college or educational

- 1 institution chartered by the Commonwealth.
- 2 (4) The library of a public school.
- 3 (5) A library established and maintained under a law of this Commonwealth.
- 5 (6) A branch reading room, deposit station or agency
- 6 operated in connection with a library described in this
- 7 section.
- 8 (b) Exception.--This section shall not apply to a parent's
- 9 <u>or legal guardian's inquiry regarding public school library</u>
- 10 records pertaining to the parent's or legal guardian's minor
- 11 child.
- 12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.