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A BILL FOR

1 An Act establishing the enrich Iowa program for eligible public  
2 libraries, making an appropriation, and providing an effective  
3 date.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 256.57 ENRICH IOWA PROGRAM --  
2 INTENT.

3 1. The general assembly finds and declares that the public  
4 library is at the heart of each community, an integral  
5 component in this state's education system, and an invaluable  
6 source of wisdom and knowledge for this state's lifelong  
7 learners. It is therefore in the interest of the citizens of  
8 Iowa that a comprehensive initiative be undertaken to reduce  
9 inequities in the provision of library services throughout the  
10 state and to provide public libraries with the funds necessary  
11 to meet the present and future needs of this state's citizens.

12 2. If the general assembly appropriates moneys for the  
13 enrich Iowa program, the enrich Iowa program is created within  
14 the department to be administered by the division. Funds  
15 appropriated for purposes of the enrich Iowa program shall be  
16 distributed by the division to eligible public libraries that  
17 are in compliance with performance measures adopted by rule by  
18 the commission. The amount distributed to each eligible  
19 public library shall be based upon the following:

20 a. The level of compliance by the eligible public library  
21 with the performance measures adopted by the commission as  
22 provided in this subsection.

23 b. The number of people residing within an eligible  
24 library's geographic service area for whom the library  
25 provides services.

26 c. The amount of other funding the eligible public library  
27 received in the previous fiscal year for providing services to  
28 rural residents and to contracting communities.

29 3. Moneys received by a public library under this section  
30 shall supplement, not supplant, any other funding received by  
31 the library.

32 4. For purposes of this section, "eligible public library"  
33 means a public library that meets at least all of the  
34 following requirements:

35 a. Submits to the division all of the following:

1 (1) The report provided for under section 256.51,  
2 subsection 1, paragraph "h".

3 (2) An application and accreditation report, in a format  
4 approved by the commission, that provides evidence of the  
5 library's compliance with at least one level of the standards  
6 established in accordance with section 256.51, subsection 1,  
7 paragraph "k".

8 (3) Any other application or report the division deems  
9 necessary for the implementation of the enrich Iowa program.

10 b. Participates in the library resource and information  
11 sharing programs established by the state library.

12 c. Is a public library established by city ordinance or a  
13 county library as provided in chapter 336.

14 5. Each eligible public library shall maintain a separate  
15 listing within their budgets for payments received and  
16 expenditures made pursuant to this section, and shall annually  
17 submit this listing to the division.

18 6. By January 15 of each year, the division shall submit a  
19 program evaluation report to the general assembly and the  
20 governor detailing the uses and the impacts of funds  
21 appropriated under this section.

22 7. Notwithstanding section 8.33, unencumbered or  
23 unobligated funds remaining on June 30 of the fiscal year for  
24 which the funds were appropriated shall not revert but shall  
25 be available for expenditure for the following fiscal year for  
26 purposes of this section.

27 Sec. 2. EMERGENCY RULES. The commission of libraries  
28 shall adopt emergency rules under section 17A.4, subsection 2,  
29 and section 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b", adopting the  
30 performance measures referred to in 286 IAC 3.6, and the rules  
31 shall be effective immediately upon filing unless a later date  
32 is specified in the rules. Any rules adopted in accordance  
33 with this section shall also be published as a notice of  
34 intended action as provided in section 17A.4.

35 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. Section 2 of this Act, relating

1 to emergency rules, being deemed of immediate importance,  
2 takes effect upon enactment.

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EXPLANATION

4 This bill establishes the enrich Iowa program within the  
5 department of education and administered by the division of  
6 libraries and information services.

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