

**House File 2270 - Introduced**

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BY HAYES

**A BILL FOR**

- 1 An Act relating to standards and performance measures for public
- 2 libraries.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 8A.202, subsection 1, paragraph j, Code  
2 2026, is amended to read as follows:

3 j. Establish and administer standards for public libraries  
4 that do not require compliance with or adoption of a policy  
5 or standard issued by a private organization unless expressly  
6 authorized by statute.

7 Sec. 2. Section 8A.209, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended  
8 to read as follows:

9 1. An enrich Iowa program is established in the department to  
10 provide direct state assistance to public libraries, to support  
11 the open access and interlibrary loan programs, to provide public  
12 libraries with an incentive to improve library services that are  
13 in compliance with performance measures, and to reduce inequities  
14 among communities in the delivery of library services based on  
15 performance measures adopted by rule by the department. The  
16 department shall adopt rules governing the allocation of moneys  
17 appropriated by the general assembly for purposes of this section  
18 to provide direct state assistance to eligible public libraries.  
19 A public library is eligible for moneys under this subchapter if  
20 it is in compliance with the department's performance measures.  
21 The department shall not adopt performance measures for public  
22 libraries that require compliance with or adoption of a policy  
23 or standard issued by a private organization unless expressly  
24 authorized by statute.

25 EXPLANATION

26 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
27 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

28 Under current law, a public library is eligible to receive  
29 funding from the enrich Iowa program if the library is in  
30 compliance with standards and performance measures adopted by the  
31 department of administrative services (department). This bill  
32 provides that the standards and performance measures adopted by  
33 the department cannot require a public library to comply with  
34 or adopt a policy or standard issued by a private organization  
35 unless expressly authorized by statute.