

Senate File 238 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act modifying provisions related to public libraries that are
2 eligible to receive state assistance under the enrich Iowa
3 program.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 8A.209, subsection 4, Code 2025, is
2 amended by adding the following new paragraphs:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. Is not a dues-paying member of a nonprofit
4 organization that operates nationwide, promotes federal and state
5 legislation related to libraries, and engages in advocacy efforts
6 at the federal and state level.

7 NEW PARAGRAPH. e. Is not a dues-paying member of a nonprofit
8 organization that operates primarily within this state, promotes
9 federal and state legislation related to libraries within this
10 state, and engages in advocacy efforts at the federal, state, and
11 local level.

12 EXPLANATION

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

15 This bill modifies provisions related to public libraries that
16 are eligible to receive state assistance under the enrich Iowa
17 program. The enrich Iowa program, established in the department
18 of administrative services (DAS), is designed to provide direct
19 state assistance to eligible public libraries, to support the
20 open access and access plus programs, to provide eligible public
21 libraries with an incentive to improve library services that
22 are in compliance with performance measures, and to reduce
23 inequities among communities in the delivery of library services.
24 Current law defines an "eligible public library" as a public
25 library, established by city ordinance or a library district,
26 that submits to DAS certain required information and documents
27 and participates in the library resource and information sharing
28 programs established by the state library. The bill modifies
29 the definition of "eligible public library" for purposes of the
30 enrich Iowa program to provide that such library must also not be
31 a dues-paying member of a nonprofit organization that operates
32 nationwide, promotes federal and state legislation related to
33 libraries, and engages in advocacy efforts at the federal and
34 state level, or a dues-paying member of a nonprofit organization
35 that operates primarily within this state, promotes federal and

1 state legislation related to libraries within this state, and
2 engages in advocacy efforts at the federal, state, and local
3 level.

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