VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

1998 Special Session I

Budget Bill - HB4001 (Introduced)

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The Library of Virginia

Item 264	First Year - FY1999	Second Year - FY2000
Financial Assistance for Cultural and Artistic Affairs (14300)	\$17,297,684	\$15,897,684
Financial Assistance to Public Libraries - Formula Aid (14301) Fund Sources:	\$17,297,684	\$15,897,684
General	\$15,543,113	\$14,143,113
Federal Trust	\$1,754,571	\$1,754,571

Authority: Title 42.1, Chapter 3, Code of Virginia.

A. It is the objective of the Commonwealth to fully fund the state formula for state aid to local libraries. The additional appropriation in the first year begins a three-year phase-in of full funding. It is the objective of the General Assembly to complete the phase-in in fiscal year 2001.

B. It is the objective of the Commonwealth that all local public libraries receiving state aid provide access to their patrons to world-wide electronic information on the Internet. It is the intent of the General Assembly that local public libraries receiving state aid invest in the technology necessary to provide or enhance this service. The Librarian of Virginia shall report to the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees prior to the 1999 Session of the General Assembly on progress made in meeting the intent of this provision.