

REFERENCE TITLE: County Libraries

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AN ACT

RELATING TO COUNTIES; ELIMINATING PROVISIONS OF LAW PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATED CITY OR TOWN TO JOIN COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM; PRESCRIBING POWERS AND DUTIES OF COUNTY BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS IN SUPERVISING COUNTY LIBRARY; ELIMINATING PROVISION OF LAW PRESCRIBING OATH, BOND, DUTIES, COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES OF COUNTY LIBRARIAN; ELIMINATING PROVISION OF LAW PROVIDING FOR TAX LEVY FOR MAINTENANCE OF COUNTY LIBRARY; AMENDING SECTIONS 11-902 AND 11-909, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AND REPEALING SECTIONS 11-903, 11-907 AND 11-912, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES.

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Purpose

3 The purpose of this act is to clarify the legal right of county
4 and city libraries to exchange books and services for the benefit of the
5 public.

6 Sec. 2. Section 11-902, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
7 read:

8 11-902. Notice of proposed establishment of library

9 ~~A. The board of supervisors may establish at the county seat a~~
10 ~~county free library for that part of the county lying outside of incor-~~
11 ~~porated cities and towns maintaining free public libraries, and for all~~
12 ~~such cities and towns within the county as may elect to become a part~~
13 ~~of, or to participate in, the county free library system, as provided~~
14 ~~in this article.~~

15 B. At least once each week for three successive weeks prior
16 to taking action upon the establishment of the county free library, the
17 board shall publish in the county notice of such contemplated action,

1 giving therein the date and time of the meeting at which the action
2 is proposed to be taken.

3 Sec. 3. Section 11-909, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended
4 to read:

5 11-909. General supervision; branch libraries

6 A. The county free library shall be under the general supervi-
7 sion of the board of supervisors, which may make general rules and
8 regulations regarding the policy of the county free library, and estab-
9 lish, upon recommendation of the county librarian, branches and stations
10 throughout the county which may be located in incorporated or unincor-
11 porated cities and towns when deemed advisable.

12 B.--The board may determine the number and kind of employees of
13 the library, and may appoint and dismiss such employees upon recom-
14 mendation of the county librarian.--An employee shall not be removed
15 except for cause, and in case a removal is made upon the ground that
16 the services of the employee are no longer required, the removed employee
17 shall have the first right to be restored to employment when such ser-
18 vices are again required, but the board may at the time of employing
19 an employee, and upon the recommendation of the county librarian, enter
20 into an agreement that the employee be employed for a definite time only.

21 C.--All employees of the county free library whose duties require
22 special training in library work shall be classified in grades to be
23 established by the county librarian, with the advice and approval of the
24 board of library examiners, according to the duties required of them,
25 experience in library work and other qualifications for the service re-
26 quired.--Before appointment to a position in classified service, the can-
27 didate shall pass an examination appropriate to the position sought,
28 satisfactory to the county librarian, and disclose a satisfactory expe-
29 rience in library work.--Work in approved library schools or libraries,
30 or certificates issued by the board of library examiners, may be ac-
31 cepted by the county librarian in lieu of such examination.

32 D.--The county librarian may accept as apprentices, without com-
33 pensation, persons possessing personal qualifications satisfactory to

1 him-and-may-dismiss-them-at-any-time-if-in-his-judgment-their-work-is
2 not-satisfactory.

3 Sec. 4. Repeal

4 Sections 11-903, 11-907 and 11-912, Arizona Revised Statutes, are
5 repealed.