

~~{D}--"CONSUMER--PRICE--INDEX"--MEANS--THE--CONSUMER--PRICE--INDEX OF--THE--UNITED--STATES--BUREAU--OF--LABOR--STATISTICS,--AS--OF--JULY--OF--A FISCAL--YEAR,--FOR--THE--BALTIMORE--METROPOLITAN--AREA--FOR:~~

~~{1}--ALL--URBAN--CONSUMERS,--AND~~

~~{2}--ALL--ITEMS.~~

23-403.

(b) (1) Each year, each county public library system that participates in the minimum library program shall be provided [\$6.75] ~~THE--FOLLOWING--AMOUNT~~ \$7.00 for each resident of the county, to be used for operating and capital expenses-~~{-~~. The State shall share in this amount.-~~}~~

~~{i}--FOR--FISCAL--YEAR--1989,--\$0.00--\$7.00,--AND~~

~~{ii}--FOR--FISCAL--YEAR--1990--AND--EACH--SUBSEQUENT YEAR,--THE--AMOUNT--FOR--THE--PREVIOUS--YEAR--INCREASED--BY--THE--LESSER OF:~~

~~1.--8--PERCENT,--OR~~

~~2.--THE--PERCENTAGE--INCREASE--IN--THE CONSUMER--PRICE--INDEX--DURING--THE--SECOND--FISCAL--YEAR--PRECEDING--THE YEAR--FOR--WHICH--THE--AMOUNT--IS--BEING--CALCULATED.~~

~~{2}--IF--THE--CONSUMER--PRICE--INDEX--DECREASES,--THE--AMOUNT TO--BE--PROVIDED--TO--A--COUNTY--PUBLIC--LIBRARY--SYSTEM--SHALL--BE--EQUAL TO--THE--AMOUNT--PROVIDED--IN--THE--PREVIOUS--YEAR.~~

~~{3}--THE--STATE--SHALL--SHARE--IN--THE--AMOUNT--TO--BE PROVIDED--IN--PARAGRAPH--(1)--OF--THIS--SUBSECTION.~~

~~{(2)}~~ ~~{4}~~ Any county may provide an amount greater than its share under the cooperative program, but the State may not share in the excess.

SECTION 3 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1988.

Approved May 27, 1988.