

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 652

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5 AS INTRODUCED

6 An Act relating to public libraries; amending 65 O.S.  
7 2001, Section 4-101, which relates to establishing  
8 public library systems; updating reference to certain  
9 public entities; and providing an effective date.  
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11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 65 O.S. 2001, Section 4-101, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 4-101. Counties, ~~cities~~ and ~~towns~~ municipalities are  
15 hereby authorized and empowered to join in creation, development,  
16 operation and maintenance of public libraries to serve multicounty  
17 systems, and to appropriate and allocate funds for the support of  
18 such systems. Such systems shall provide equitable library services  
19 to all persons in the district.

20 To insure the effective development of library service in all  
21 rural and urban areas, the creation and organization of library  
22 systems and the district to be served shall be subject to approval  
23 by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board in accordance with the  
24 provisions of Article X, Section 10A of the Oklahoma Constitution.

1 After establishment, library systems shall be subject to  
2 accreditation by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board.

3 Parts of an adjacent county may be added to or included in  
4 multicounty systems if these additions are determined by agreement  
5 of the system board, the petitioning parties, and the Oklahoma  
6 Department of Libraries Board to be the most feasible way to provide  
7 public library services to such part of a county.

8 Special levies of any and all taxes authorized to be levied by  
9 counties, ~~cities~~ and ~~towns~~ municipalities under this and other  
10 Oklahoma Statutes as amended and the Oklahoma Constitution as  
11 amended are hereby authorized to be levied for support of library  
12 systems.

13 When any multicounty system is established under provisions of  
14 this act, existing public libraries in the district may be  
15 incorporated into the system under a unified administration by act  
16 of local governing bodies or vote of the people as provided in the  
17 procedure for establishment. Existing public libraries not  
18 incorporated into the system shall have the same relationship to the  
19 system as similar public libraries outside the district have to the  
20 local system and to other systems.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

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