## ACT 135

S.B. NO. 2773

A Bill for an Act Relating to Libraries.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 312-2.1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**"§312-2.1 Appointment of state librarian; duties; salary.** (a) The state librarian shall be appointed by the board of education, without regard to chapter 76, shall be under the direction of the board, shall be responsible for the operation, planning, programming, and budgeting of all community/school and public libraries within the State, and may be removed by a majority vote of its members. The state librarian may be appointed:

(1) Without regard to the state residency provisions of section 78-1(b); and

(2) For a term of up to four years.

(b) The salary of the state librarian shall be set by the board of education at a rate no greater than \$120,000 a year.

(c) The state librarian may appoint, without regard to chapter 76, one secretary for the state librarian. The secretary for the state librarian shall serve at the pleasure of the state librarian."

SECTION 2. Section 312-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**"§312-3 Exchange of librarians.** The [board-of-education] state librarian may contract for the exchange of librarians with librarians of any state, country, or territory in accordance with this section, except as otherwise provided in section 78-27. Local librarians so exchanged shall be paid their regular salaries out of the funds appropriated for personal services in the library budget for the library concerned. The qualifications of all librarians from any such state, country, or territory so exchanged shall be equal to those of the local librarians exchanged. In the selection of local librarians for exchange, preference shall be given to persons born in the State. The requirements of citizenship shall not apply to any librarian coming to the State from any foreign state, country, or territory under any such contract of exchange. All librarians so exchanged shall furnish their own transportation to and from the state, country, or territory with which exchanged.

No compensation shall be paid by the State to visiting exchange librarians; provided that in any case where the local exchanged librarian becomes incapacitated or, for any reason, leaves the exchanged position permanently, the library concerned may pay the visiting exchange librarian an amount not to exceed the salary rating of the local exchanged librarian, such an arrangement to continue until the end of the period of exchange or until such time as some satisfactory adjustment has been made."

SECTION 3. Section 312-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is repealed.

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken.<sup>1</sup> New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved June 19, 2012.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.