

# SENATE BILL NO. 742

March 06, 2024, Introduced by Senators CAMILLERI, BAYER and POLEHANKI and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled  
"The revised school code,"  
(MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1162.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 1162. (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), beginning  
2 with the 2024-2025 school year, the board of a school district or  
3 board of directors of a public school academy shall employ a  
4 certified school librarian for each school library operated by the  
5 board or board of directors as follows:

1 (a) For a school with fewer than 300 pupils, at least 1 half-  
2 time certified school librarian.

3 (b) For a school with 300 to 1,499 pupils, at least 1 full-  
4 time certified school librarian.

5 (c) For a school with 1,500 or more pupils, at least 2 full-  
6 time certified school librarians.

7 (2) The board of a school district or board of directors of a  
8 public school academy that has fewer than 51 pupils enrolled in the  
9 school district or public school academy may apply to the  
10 department, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, for  
11 a waiver from the requirement under subsection (1). Upon receipt of  
12 a waiver application under this subsection, the department must  
13 grant the waiver. A school district or public school academy that  
14 has been granted a waiver under this subsection is not subject to  
15 the requirement under subsection (1).

16 (3) The board of a school district or board of directors of a  
17 public school academy that has at least 51 pupils enrolled in the  
18 school district or public school academy may apply to the  
19 department, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, for  
20 a waiver from the requirement under subsection (1). Upon receipt of  
21 a waiver application under this subsection, the department may  
22 grant the waiver. A school district or public school academy that  
23 has been granted a waiver under this subsection is not subject to  
24 the requirement under subsection (1).

25 (4) A certified school librarian shall work collaboratively  
26 with classroom teachers and principals or comparable school  
27 administrators to provide literacy instruction to pupils to ensure  
28 that pupils achieve grade-level reading proficiency. A certified  
29 school librarian shall also work to integrate information,

1 technology, and research skills with the curriculum offered by the  
2 school to meet state academic and technology standards.

3 (5) As used in this section, "certified school librarian"  
4 means either of the following, as applicable:

5 (a) A certificated teacher under section 1531 with an ND  
6 school librarian endorsement issued by the department.

7 (b) Until 2026, a certificated teacher under section 1531 who  
8 is in the process of obtaining an ND school librarian endorsement  
9 issued by the department.

10 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect  
11 unless all of the following bills of the 102nd Legislature are  
12 enacted into law:

13 (a) Senate Bill No. 741.

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15 (b) Senate Bill No. 743.