

## CHAPTER 2023-179

### Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 726

An act relating to library cooperative grants; amending s. 257.42, F.S.; deleting the limitation on the funding a library cooperative is eligible to receive; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 257.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

257.42 Library cooperative grants.—The administrative unit of a library cooperative is eligible to receive an annual grant from the state of ~~not more than \$400,000~~ for the purpose of sharing library resources based upon an annual plan of service and expenditure and an annually updated 5-year, long-range plan of cooperative library resource sharing. Those plans, which must include a component describing how the cooperative will share technology and the use of technology, must be submitted to the division of ~~Library and Information Services of the Department of State~~ for evaluation and possible recommendation for funding in the division's legislative budget request. Grant funds may not be used to supplant local funds or other funds. A library cooperative must provide from local sources matching cash funds equal to 10 percent of the grant award.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

Approved by the Governor June 2, 2023.

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