



SENATE BILL 2348

By Watson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 10
and Title 49, relative to librarians.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) The state board of education, in consultation with the department of education, shall qualify an advanced degree in media and technology as an advanced degree that leads to a library information specialist endorsement.

(b) A public school that serves any combination of grades nine through twelve (9-12):

(1) With a current student enrollment of more than seven hundred fifty (750) students but less than one thousand five hundred (1,500) students must, at a minimum, employ a full-time library information specialist with an endorsement as a library information specialist; and

(2) With a current student enrollment of fewer than seven hundred fifty (750) students must, at a minimum, employ a part-time library information specialist with an endorsement as a library information specialist, or designate a teacher to serve as a library information coordinator. If the library is open during regular school hours and a library information specialist is not present, then a teacher or other staff member must be assigned to supervise students in the library.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2026, the public welfare requiring it.

Amendment No. 1 to SB2348

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Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 2348*

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by deleting subdivision (b)(1) in Section 1 and substituting instead the following:

(1) With a current student enrollment between seven hundred fifty (750) students and one thousand five hundred (1,500) students, both inclusive, must, at a minimum, employ a full-time library information specialist with an endorsement as a library information specialist; or