

By Mr. Craven of Boston, petition of James J. Craven, Jr., for legislation to further regulate library incentive grants and regional library systems. State Administration.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Four.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING LIBRARY INCENTIVE GRANTS AND REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEMS. STATE ADMINISTRATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 19A of Chapter 78 of the General Laws,
2 as most recently amended by chapter 99 of the acts of 1980, is
3 hereby further amended by striking out clauses (1) and (2) and
4 inserting in place thereof the following two clauses: —

5 (1) To each town having a population of less than two thousand
6 five hundred a sum equivalent to the amount appropriated by it for
7 free public library service during the preceding year, but in no
8 event more than seventeen hundred fifty dollars.

9 (2) To each city and to each town having a population of two
10 thousand five hundred or more, a sum not exceeding seventy cents
11 for each resident therein; provided, that such city or town appro-
12 priates during the preceding year for its free public library service
13 at least seventeen hundred fifty dollars.

1 SECTION 2. Section 19C of Chapter 78 of the General Laws,
2 as most recently amended by section 278 of chapter 351 of the acts
3 of 1981, is hereby further amended by striking out clause (3) and
4 inserting in place thereof the following clause: —

5 (3) Any library system providing service under an approved
6 plan shall be entitled to receive annually in state aid an amount per

7	capita of its served population per square mile of the area served in	
8	accordance with the following schedule: —	
9	Over 1,000 population	\$.85 per capita
10	750-999 population	.95 per capita
11	Under 750 population	1.15 per capita