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:

Sec. 1162. (1) Subject to subsections (2), (3), and (5), beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, the board of a school district or board of directors of a public school academy shall employ a certified library media specialist for each school library operated by the school district or public school academy as
follows:

(a) For a school with less than 300 pupils, at least 1 half-time certified library media specialist.

(b) For a school with 300 to 1,499 pupils, at least 1 full-time certified library media specialist.

(c) For a school with 1,500 or more pupils, at least 2 full-time certified library media specialists.

(2) The board of a school district or board of directors of a public school academy that has less than 51 pupils enrolled in the school district or public school academy may apply to the department, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, for a waiver from the requirement under subsection (1). Upon receipt of a waiver application under this subsection, the department shall grant the waiver. A school district or public school academy that has been granted a waiver under this subsection is not subject to the requirement under subsection (1).

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

(4) A certified library media specialist shall work collaboratively with classroom teachers and principals or comparable school administrators to provide literacy instruction to pupils to ensure that pupils achieve grade-level reading
proficiency and to integrate information, technology, and research
skills with the curriculum offered by the school to meet state
academic and technology standards.

(5) This section does not apply to a cyber school.

(6) As used in this section:

(a) "Certified library media specialist" means either of the
following, as applicable:

(i) A certificated teacher under section 1531 with an ND
library media endorsement issued by the department.

(ii) Until 2024, a certificated teacher under section 1531 who
is in the process of obtaining an ND library media endorsement
issued by the department.

(b) "Cyber school" means that term as defined in section 551.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
after the date it is enacted into law.