

**THE DISTRICT LIBRARY ESTABLISHMENT ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 24 of 1989**

**397.182 Powers of board; compensation and expenses of board members; deposit and expenditure of money in district library fund.**

Sec. 12. (1) A board may do 1 or more of the following:

- (a) Establish, maintain, and operate a public library for the district.
- (b) Appoint and remove officers from among its members.
- (c) Appoint and remove a librarian and necessary assistants and fix their compensation.
- (d) Purchase, sell, convey, lease, or otherwise acquire or dispose of real or personal property, including, but not limited to, land contracts and installment purchase contracts.
- (e) Erect buildings.
- (f) Supervise and control district library property.
- (g) Enter into a contract to receive library-related service from or give library-related service to a library or a municipality within or without the district.
- (h) Adopt bylaws and regulations, not inconsistent with this act, governing the board and the district library.
- (i) Propose and levy upon approval of the electors as provided in this act a tax for support of the district library.
- (j) Borrow money pursuant to the district library financing act, 1988 PA 265, MCL 397.281 to 397.290.
- (k) Issue bonds pursuant to the district library financing act, 1988 PA 265, MCL 397.281 to 397.290.
- (l) Accept gifts and grants for the district library.
- (m) Do any other thing necessary for conducting the district library service, the cost of which shall be charged against the district library fund.

(2) A board may reimburse a board member for necessary expenses that the member incurs in the performance of official duties. A board may compensate board members for attending official meetings of the board or committees of the board and shall include the amount of compensation in the annual budget. Compensation shall not exceed \$30.00 per board member per meeting. A board member shall not be compensated for attending more than 52 meetings per year.

(3) Money for the district library shall be paid to the board and deposited in a fund known as the district library fund. The board shall exclusively control the expenditure of money deposited in the district library fund.

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**Popular name:** District Libraries Act