

# SENATE, No. 2176

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

IN THE YEAR OF TWO THOUSAND AND SEVEN

### AN ACT RELATIVE TO PUBLIC LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION FUNDING

*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. For a program of grants to cities and towns for approved public library  
2 projects as authorized by sections 19G to 19I, inclusive, of chapter 78 of the General  
3 Laws; provided further, that not more than \$500,000 of the amount authorized herein  
4 may be expended by the board of library commissioners for the administrative costs  
5 directly attributable to the projects funded herein, including the costs of temporary  
6 personnel; provided, however, that no permanent personnel shall be compensated from  
7 this item; provided further, that said board shall file an annual spending plan with the  
8 fiscal affairs division and the house and senate committees on ways and means which  
9 details, by subsidiary, all temporary personnel and administrative costs charged to this  
10 Item.....\$100,000,000.

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12 SECTION 2. To fund public library projects, established in section 1, the state  
13 treasurer shall, upon the request of the governor, issue and sell bonds of the  
14 commonwealth in an amount to be specified by the governor from time to time, but not  
15 exceeding, in the aggregate, the sum of \$100,000,000. All bonds issued by the  
16 commonwealth as aforesaid shall be designated on their face, Public Library Projects, Act  
17 of 2007, and shall be issued for such maximum term of years, not exceeding 20 years, as  
18 the governor may recommend to the general court pursuant to Section 3 of Article LXII  
19 of the Amendments to the Constitution. All such bonds shall be payable not later than  
20 June 30, 2027. All interest and payments on account of principal of such obligations  
21 shall be payable from the General Fund. Bonds issued under the authority of this section  
22 shall not be included in the computation of outstanding direct bonds for purposes of the  
23 limit imposed by the second paragraph of section 60A of chapter 29 of the General Laws,

24 nor included in the computation of general obligation debt for purposes of the limit  
25 imposed by section 60B of said chapter 29.

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SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.