

**LOCAL AND SPECIAL ACTS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Short Title: FULTON COUNTY COUNTY-WIDE LIBRARY SYSTEM ACT AMENDED.

Law Number: No. 369

Origin: (House Bill No. 658).

Type: AN ACT

To amend an Act providing for the establishment of a county-wide library system in Fulton County, approved April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 4174), so as to authorize the City of Atlanta to create a special district within that portion of said city lying within DeKalb County for the provision of library services therein pursuant to a contract with certain other local governments; to provide for the authority of the library board of trustees; to provide for a director and deputy director of library services to be appointed by the board of trustees; to provide for other personnel; to provide for funding the county-wide library system and for procedures and requirements relative thereto; to provide for other matters relative to the foregoing; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Georgia:

Section 1. An Act providing for the establishment of a county-wide library system in Fulton County, approved April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 4174), is amended by adding at the end of Section 1 a new subsection (h) to read as follows:

"(h) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, pursuant to a contract with either Fulton County or DeKalb County for the provision of public library services and facilities within that portion of the City of Atlanta lying within DeKalb County, the City of Atlanta may create within that portion of the City of Atlanta lying within DeKalb County a special district for the provision of library services and levy and collect within such special district fees, assessments, and taxes to pay the cost of such services. The levy of an ad valorem tax

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by the city for such purposes shall equal the ad valorem tax millage rate set by Fulton County to support the county-wide library system provided for by this Act. The levy of such ad valorem tax by the city within the special district shall not constitute a violation of the contract provided for in subsection (g) of this section."

Section 2. Said Act is further amended by adding at the end of Section 4 a new subsection (c) to read as follows:

"(c) The library board of trustees provided for in this section shall have general supervision of the county-wide library system provided for in this Act and shall have power to make reasonable rules and regulations for the operation of the county-wide library system. Said board of trustees may establish branches and stations wherever deemed advisable and may carry on other forms of library extension service. Said board of trustees shall create the office of director and deputy director of library services and fix the terms of office and compensation of said officers, and said offices shall be filled by persons with professional library training and experience who shall be appointed by the board of trustees. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 2 of this Act, the director and deputy director of library services shall not be subject to the civil service laws and regulations of Fulton County. Other employees of the library board of trustees shall be subject to the civil service laws and regulations of Fulton County as provided in Section 2 of this Act, but such employees shall be subject to the supervision and control of the library board of trustees. The county-wide library system and the board of trustees shall be subject to the budgetary laws and purchasing procedures and requirements of Fulton County in the same manner as other departments of the Fulton County government, and said county-wide library system shall be funded by appropriations made to the library board of trustees by the county in accordance with the budgetary laws and purchasing procedures and requirements of Fulton County. In addition thereto, the board of trustees may also receive funds to support financially the county-wide library system pursuant to a contract entered into under the provisions of subsection (h) of Section 1 of this Act. The board of trustees may also accept grants, bequests, or donations from any source to carry out the purposes and functions of the county-wide library system. The board of trustees may contract within the limits of funds made available to the board, provided that any such contract shall be made in accordance with the purchasing and contracting laws and regulations of Fulton County."

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Section 3. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 1983.

Section 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Notice of Intention to Introduce Local Legislation.

Notice is hereby given that there will be introduced at the regular 1983 Session of the General Assembly of Georgia, a bill to amend an Act providing for the establishment of a County-wide library system in Fulton County, approved April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 4174), and for other purposes.

This 21st day of December, 1982.

John Type Ferguson

Associate County Attorney,
Fulton County

Publisher's Affidavit.

Georgia, Fulton County.

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, this day personally came Frances K. Beck, who, being first duly sworn, according to law, says that she is the President of the Daily Report Company, publishers of the Fulton County Daily Report, official newspaper published at Atlanta, in said county and State, and that the publication, of which the annexed is a true copy, was published in said paper on the 23rd, 30th days of December, 1982, and on the 6th days of January, 1983. As provided by law.

/s/ Frances K. Beck

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Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 11th day of January, 1983.

/s/ April M. Elmore
Notary Public, Georgia State at Large.
My Commission Expires February 17, 1986.
(Seal).

Approval Date: Approved March 18, 1983.