

1999 SENATE BILL 62

February 24, 1999 – Introduced by Senators GROBSCHMIDT, DARLING, BAUMGART, ROESSLER, JAUCH, RISSER, SCHULTZ, WIRCH, BRESKE and ERPENBACH, cosponsored by Representatives OLSEN, J. LEHMAN, SPILLNER, LA FAVE, ALBERS, RYBA, GOETSCH, PLALE, M. LEHMAN, MILLER, LADWIG, KREUSER, GUNDERSON, HEBL, BOYLE, BLACK, HASENOHRL, PLOUFF and HUBER, by request of the Department of Public Instruction, Wisconsin Library Association, Council on Library and Network Development, The System and Resource Library Administrators Association of Wisconsin. Referred to Committee on Education.

1 **AN ACT** *to repeal* 43.24 (2) (f), 43.24 (2) (h) and 43.24 (2) (j); and *to amend* 43.24
 2 (2) (L) and 43.24 (2) (m) of the statutes; **relating to:** sharing public library
 3 system resources, preparing a written plan for library technology and the
 4 sharing of resources and eliminating redundant provisions relating to libraries.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law requires each public library system, as a condition of receiving state aid, to agree to share library resources with other libraries in the system area to benefit all libraries in the system area and to prepare a written plan for furthering cooperative activities among all types of libraries. This bill requires each public library system to agree to share the resources of its members with libraries other than public libraries and with library organizations that include libraries other than public libraries and eliminates the requirement that the public library system prepare a written plan. Current law also requires each public library system to engage in continuous planning with the department of public instruction's division for libraries and community learning (the division) and with participating public libraries and counties in the area concerning library automation and technical services, as evidenced by a written plan. This bill instead requires each public library system to plan with the division, participating libraries and other types of libraries in the area regarding library technology and the sharing of resources and to submit a written plan for library technology and the sharing of resources to the division every five years. The bill also repeals redundant provisions relating to public libraries.

