
HOUSE BILL 2456

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By Representatives Schmidt, Zellinsky and Wood

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1 AN ACT Relating to public libraries; and amending RCW 27.12.340.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 27.12.340 and 1987 c 456 s 29 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 (1) It is a class 4 civil infraction for any person to willfully
6 retain any book, newspaper, magazine, pamphlet, manuscript, or other
7 property belonging in or to any public library, reading room, or other
8 educational institution, for thirty days after notice in writing to
9 return the same, given after the expiration of the time that by the
10 rules of such institution such article or other property may be kept.

11 (2) A public library may not contract with a third party for the
12 collection of a fine or penalty assessed under the authority of this
13 chapter without first serving a thirty-day notice by certified mail to
14 the person assessed the fine or penalty. If the fine or penalty is due

1 to the actions of a person eighteen years of age or less, the library
2 must serve the thirty-day notice on that person's parent or legal
3 guardian.