

18A:73-35.1

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA 18A:73-35.1 (State library--library materials and binding  
--purchase without advertising for bids)

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Bill No. S1004

Sponsor(s) Lipman, Vreeland and Herbert

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Senate Education

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

SENATE, No. 1004

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 4, 1980

By Senators LIPMAN, VREELAND and HERBERT

Referred to Committee on Education

AN ACT concerning the Division of the State Library, Archives and History and supplementing chapter 73 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. The State Librarian may, within the limits of funds appro-  
2 priated or otherwise made available to the Division of the State  
3 Library, Archives and History, purchase the following without  
4 advertising for bids: library materials including books, periodicals,  
5 newspapers, documents, pamphlets, photographs, reproductions,  
6 microfilms, pictorial or graphic works, musical scores, maps, charts,  
7 globes, sound recordings, slides, films, filmstrips, video and mag-  
8 netic tapes, other printed or published matter, and audiovisual and  
9 other materials of a similar nature and necessary binding or  
10 rebinding of library materials.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

This bill authorizes the State Librarian to purchase library materials, and binding services without advertising for bids. The authority to purchase library materials and services without advertising for bids has been granted to county colleges, county library commissions, municipal libraries and public schools. The requirement that the State Library advertise for bids in order to purchase library materials and binding services has increased the costs of such purchases, has necessitated additional library staff time and has resulted in unnecessary delays in purchasing. In many instances, advertising for bids for special publication is futile because the materials are only produced by one company. Permitting the State Librarian to purchase library materials, and binding services without advertising for bids should save the State money, manpower and delays.

ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
STATEMENT TO  
**SENATE, No. 1004**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 19, 1980

On June 19, 1980 the Assembly Education Committee favorably reported Senate Bill No. 1004 which authorizes the State Librarian to purchase library materials and binding services without advertising for bids.

**BACKGROUND:**

The State Library performs many services for its constituents. In the course of providing services the State Library must often acquire materials that are either one of a kind or are not available from any other source or both. The current bidding requirement makes this acquisition procedure administratively costly and cumbersome without reducing the purchase price. Such materials do not include equipment or items such as blank magnetic tapes, only published materials.

In addition to acquiring one-of-a-kind materials, the library is also required to furnish its constituents with documents and reference materials that are needed within a specific period of time. Such service is critical to serving the legislative, executive and judicial branches of State government and has been made very difficult under the constraints of the current bidding requirement. The authority to purchase such materials without bidding has been granted to county colleges, county library commissions, municipal libraries and public schools. The requirement has caused the State Library to expend additional staff time and has resulted in unnecessary delays in purchasing.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Permitting the State Librarian to purchase certain library materials and services without advertising for bids in these instances should save the State money, manpower and delays.

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1004

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 25, 1980

The Senate Education Committee favorably reports this bill which authorizes the State Librarian to purchase library materials, and binding services without advertising for bids. The authority to purchase library materials and services without advertising for bids has been granted to county colleges, county library commissions, municipal libraries and public schools. The requirement that the State Library advertise for bids in order to purchase library materials and binding services has increased the costs of such purchases, has necessitated additional library staff time and has resulted in unnecessary delays in purchasing. In many instances, advertising for bids for special publication is futile because the materials are only produced by one company. Permitting the State Librarian to purchase library materials, and binding services without advertising for bids should save the State money, manpower and delays.