

ITEM 264.	Item Details(\$)		Appropriations(\$)	
	First Year FY1999	Second Year FY2000	First Year FY1999	Second Year FY2000

The Library of Virginia (202)

264.	Financial Assistance for Cultural and Artistic Affairs (14300)		\$17,297,684	\$15,897,684 \$18,697,684
	Financial Assistance to Public Libraries - Formula Aid (14301)	\$17,297,684	\$15,897,684 \$18,697,684	
	Fund Sources: General	\$15,543,113	\$14,143,113 \$16,943,113	
	Federal Trust	\$1,754,571	\$1,754,571	

Authority: Title 42.1, Chapter 3, Code of Virginia.

A. It is the objective of the Commonwealth to fully fund the state formula for state aid to local libraries. The additional appropriation in the ~~first year begins~~ *second year accomplishes the second step in a* three-year phase-in of full funding. It is the objective of the General Assembly to complete the phase-in in fiscal year 2001.

B. It is the objective of the Commonwealth that all local public libraries receiving state aid provide access to their patrons to worldwide electronic information on the Internet. It is the intent of the General Assembly that local public libraries receiving state aid invest in the technology necessary to provide or enhance this service. The Librarian of Virginia shall report to the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees prior to the 1999 Session of the General Assembly on progress made in meeting the intent of this provision.