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Public Library Fund
PLF



PLF History

- **Began in 1983**
 - Foundation base 1983: \$12
 - 10% state (\$1.20), 90% local
 - Adjusted for inflation
 - Full funding would be entire 10% share
 - Currently \$2.69 but only \$.38 appropriated
- **Provisions have changed**
 - 90% formula changed to MOE year to year
- **Annual Certification Process**

Certification

- Required per Education code, due December December 1st each year
- Based on appropriation looking forward, not not report of income received or expenditures expenditures
- Maintenance of effort required, equal or more more than previous year's appropriation

Waivers

- Limited waiver provisions exist in the law law
- Technical corrections to budget that do not result in reduced service possible
- Equal treatment in reductions to budget not a viable waiver claim

Annual Cycle

- June: Jurisdiction Populations Certified
- September: Estimated Payments Report
- October: Certification Forms Mailed
- December 1: Absolute Deadline
- Jan– Feb: Waivers Considered
- February: Payments Sent

Appropriations

- Locally appropriated revenue
- Specific items that may be included
 - Fines, gifts, fees
 - Consider effect on future years
- Specific items that may not be included
 - CLSA
 - PLF
 - LSTA
 - Funds for major capital improvements

Waivers

- ERAF Shift
 - Document that reduction is no greater than percentage reduction to overall government budget due to ERAF shift
- Automatic Termination of Tax
 - Locally approved special tax or benefit assessment
 - Document reduction is no greater than amount no longer received

Use of Funds

- Must be used for library purposes
- Supplement, not supplant local revenue

Questions



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