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Introduced by M. of A. THIELE -- read once and referred to the Committee  
on Libraries and Education Technology

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to maintenance of effort  
for state aid to public library systems

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-  
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. Subparagraph 3 of paragraph j of subdivision 1 of section  
2     272 of the education law, as amended by section 2 of part O of chapter  
3     57 of the laws of 2005, is amended to read as follows:  
4     (3) The commissioner may waive the requirements of subparagraphs one  
5     and two of this paragraph, if the commissioner determines that the  
6     application of such subparagraphs would result in excessive hardship for  
7     the public library system or central library brought about by an  
8     extraordinary change in a local sponsor's economic condition, loss by a  
9     local sponsor of state aid to local governments provided under section  
10    fifty-four of the state finance law, or by a natural disaster. [Such  
11    waiver may be granted only one time to each public library system or  
12    central library within five calendar years. The commissioner may grant  
13    such waiver for a period of up to two consecutive calendar years.] THE  
14    COMMISSIONER MAY GRANT SUCH WAIVER FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO THREE CONSEC-  
15    UTIVE CALENDAR YEARS. The commissioner shall report any waivers granted  
16    under this subparagraph to the speaker of the assembly, the temporary  
17    president of the senate, the chairs of the legislative fiscal committees  
18    and the director of the division of the budget.  
19    S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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