

ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1008

with Assembly committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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This bill as amended provides that records of public or private libraries which contain an individual's name or other personally identifying details are confidential and may not be disclosed except (1) insofar as it is necessary to operate the library, (2) the user requests disclosure, or (3) the records are under subpoena or court order.

Sixteen states have passed legislation protecting the confidentiality of library records.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

The amendment further specifies the type of subpoena that must be issued to gain access to confidential material.

The committee favorably reports this bill as amended.