

**NDLA Public Library Section report (#12)**  
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**Kelly Steckler, Chair**

Reviewed handbook for North Dakota Public Library Board members. Recommended that it be used a training tool for all trustees and directors.

State aid has been a serious concern for public libraries. The intent of the last session was to increase State Aid to public libraries, but funding requirement interpretations were different than the Attorney General's opinion. This has serious funding loss implications for ND public libraries. The final decision and cost analysis has not been announced. Once it has, public librarians will need to work closely with the NDLA Legislative Chair, State Library, and Legislators to resolve this issue early next year.