

**NORTH DAKOTA STATE LIBRARY
REPORT TO NORTH DAKOTA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**

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Governor Hoeven presented his 2009/2011 budget to the legislature yesterday. It contained funding for the current North Dakota State Library services, including \$1.2M for State Aid to Public Libraries, \$237,000 for Library Vision 2010, \$200,000 for Online Library Resources, reference and interlibrary loan services, training, talking book and radio reading services, and cataloging and state document services. It also included an optional package of \$100,000 for State Aid to Public Libraries and \$120,000 for Online Library Resources.

This is just the first step in the process which ends with both the House and the Senate making final decisions about the budget.

The Legislature begins January 6, 2009. The State Library will send information out each Friday, beginning January 9, 2009, about library bills, hearings, and other library related information.