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IF THE DAYTON LAW LIBRARY CLOSED, WHAT WOULD IT COST YOUR OFFICE?

For attorneys in and around the Miami Valley, the financial implications of a shuttered law library are steep. Listed on the reverse side are the purchase costs for a sampling of frequently used and borrowed titles maintained by the Law Library. Authoritative legal information is not free and it certainly is not cheap and low cost Internet information is not reliable. With the enactment of H.B. 66 and the phase-out of county support for law libraries, the State of Ohio is gambling on the fact that lawyers will be satisfied with cheap information because the cost of maintaining a library with premium legal services is too high.

Currently, county support entails the payment of salaries and benefits for up to three employees and providing space and utilities in a courthouse or other county-owned building. The primary financial support for the Law Library comes from a portion of traffic fines collected within the county. Beginning in January, 2007, county support will be reduced by 20% each year through 2010, at which time 100% of the cost of salaries as well as rent and utilities will have to be paid from the fine money received each year. It has been calculated that, without severely cutting information sources and services, the elimination of county support will create over a half-million dollar shortfall for the Law Library by 2011.

In facing this reality, the Association's Board of Trustees has begun the process of exploring the options for alternative sources of funding and housing the Library's collection as well as maintaining the services available to its members.

In addition, the legislative Task Force created by H.B. 66 continues its work on examining the current structure of the county law library system in Ohio as it prepares to make its formal recommendations by October as to the existence, governance, and funding of the libraries in the future.

The administration of justice is an integral part of good county government and skilled lawyers are vital to each community's citizens and commercial enterprises. Efforts must be made to establish guidelines for the negotiation between law library associations and local officials to ensure the continued existence of a legal research facility that serves all practitioners and the clients they represent.

Ohio Jurisprudence 3d	\$ 4,864.00
Baldwin's Ohio Revised Code Annotated	\$ 984.00
Ohio Forms of Pleading and Practice	\$ 2,716.00
Ohio Forms, Legal and Business	\$ 973.00
Ohio Administrative Code, Approved Edition	\$ 1,415.00
Ohio Transaction Guide	\$ 1,709.00
United States Code Annotated	\$ 4,465.00
Federal Tax Coordinator	\$ 2,610.00
Tax Management Portfolios (upkeep, 3 sections)	\$ 5,228.00
Unemployment Insurance Reporter	\$ 3,848.00
Am Jur Legal Forms	\$ 2,578.00
Am Jur Pleading & Practice Forms	\$ 2,700.00
Bankruptcy Service, Lawyers Edition	\$ 3,249.00
Bruner and O'Connor on Construction Law	\$ 900.00
Couch on Insurance	\$ 1,995.00
No Fault and Uninsured Motorist Automobile Insurance	\$ 1,191.00
Damages in Tort Actions	\$ 1,826.00
Milgrim on Trade Secrets	\$ 1,390.00
Drinking/Driving Litigation, Criminal and Civil	\$ 875.00
Defense of Speeding, Reckless Driving and Vehicular Homicide	\$ 617.00
Handling Narcotic and Drug Cases	\$ 220.00
Searches and Seizures, Arrests and Confessions	\$ 972.00
Manual on Employment Discrimination and Civil Rights Actions	\$ 310.00
Avoiding and Defending Wrongful Discharge Claims	\$ 425.00
McQuillin on Municipal Corporations	\$ 2,000.00
Nichols on Eminent Domain	\$ 3,449.00
Rathkopf's Law of Zoning and Planning	\$ 1,100.00
Unjust Dismissal	\$ 669.00
Civil Rights Actions	\$ 1,325.00
Housing and Development Reporter	\$ 1,507.00
Moore's Federal Practice	\$ 4,039.00
Bender's Federal Practice Forms	\$ 3,240.00
Bender's Forms of Discovery	\$ 3,090.00
Newberg on Class Actions	\$ 1,344.00
Immigration Law Service 2d	\$ 1,100.00
Individuals with Disabilities Education Law Report	\$ 1,095.00
ERISA Practice and Litigation	\$ 382.00
Franchising Law, Practice and Forms	\$ 555.00
Larson's Workers' Compensation Law	\$ 3,234.00
Environmental Law in Real Estate and Business Transactions	\$ 631.00
Law of Hazardous Waste	\$ 1,030.00
Treatise on Health Care Law	\$ 880.00
Estate Planning Taxation Coordinator	\$ 1,345.00
Am Jur Trials	\$ 2,436.00
Am Jur Proof of Facts	\$ 4,245.00
Weinstein's Federal Evidence	\$ 2,225.00
Modern Federal Jury Instructions	\$ 1,244.00
Forensic Sciences	\$ 1,100.00

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