**Section 3035.650 Provision of Information Transmission Services**

a) The Director shall annually announce and accept grant applications or contract proposals from multi-state service centers or qualified providers to supply accessible electronic information service for eligible patrons.

b) Grant applications or contract proposals shall include:

1) Scope and subject matter of services offered by the qualified provider to eligible patrons;

2) How the entity will provide eligible patrons with international, national, State and local news, opinions, advertisements and other items of general interest using high-speed computers, telecommunications and attendant technologies;

3) A recital that the grant agreement is subject to the Grant Funds Recovery Act [30 ILCS 705];

4) Currency of the news and information to be provided, the method of access to the news and information, and the hours of distribution; and

5) A fee schedule of any costs to be paid by the eligible patron or ancillary items not provided by the qualified provider.

c) The service provider shall agree to the terms and conditions of the grant contract agreement.  These terms and conditions shall include:  annual grant application deadline; grant monetary ceiling; a provision stating the grant is subject to the terms and conditions of the Grant Funds Recovery Act [30 ILCS 705] (including Sections 4 through 11); a provision permitting the State Library to inspect records and conduct audits; name, address and business organization status of the grantee; reporting dates and statistical information required of a grantee for users of the program; date the agreement was executed; and term of the grant award.

d) The service provider shall submit annually and on an ongoing basis throughout the year statistical information regarding usage of the program.

e) Funds allocated for services under this program are exempt from the Illinois Procurement Code [30 ILCS 500].

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