



**STAFF REPORT
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Investigation of Legal Options to Increase E-Book Access

Date:	June 6, 2013
To:	E-Book Working Group
From:	City Librarian
Reason for Confidential Information	This report relates to potential litigation or advice that is the subject of solicitor-client privilege – <i>Public Libraries Act</i> , R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P. 44, s. 16.1 (4) (e) and (f)

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide the E-Book Working Group with information about legal options to increase e-book access.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

If these options are pursued, it is estimated legal costs could range from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

The Director, Finance & Treasurer has reviewed this financial impact and is in agreement with it.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The E-Book Working Group recommends that the Toronto Public Library Board:

1. receives the confidential report concerning the *Investigation of Legal Options to Increase E-Book Access* for information; and
2. recommends that the information concerning the *Investigation of Legal Options to Increase E-Book Access* not be made public as the subject matter being considered relates to potential litigation or advice that is the subject of solicitor-client privilege.

DECISION HISTORY

The E-Book Working Group met on April 18, 2013 and approved a confidential recommendation to the Toronto Public Library Board for approval. The recommendation was approved by the Board at its April 27, 2013 meeting.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: *Investigation of Legal Options to Increase E-Book Access* confidential report to the June 6, 2013 E-Book Working Group meeting