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PINES Executive Committee Proposal: Add Circulation Modifier Equipment-Local-Long

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I would like to request the addition of a new circulation modifier or a change in duration levels to current modifier equipment-local. The ARPA Tech Grant funded hot spot circulation program we began in January 2022 has been popular beyond our expectations. However, now that we have passed the hold-protection period, we are having an issue with patrons placing holds from home that are attaching to devices in other branches. This creates patron confusion and slows down the overall usage and usability of the devices. We would like to restrict holds to branch-only while retaining the current two-week circulation period which has worked well for us. Unfortunately, the equipment-local circ modifier duration is currently 1/3/7 days. With more technology being successfully circulated in PINES libraries (hot spots, Chromebooks, etc.,) I feel this would potentially be beneficial to many PINES systems.

I would like to propose:

- A. The creation of a new circulation modifier (e.g. Equipment-Local-Long) with the same recurring fine options and no renewals, but with a normal duration of 14 days.

OR

- B. The modification of the existing circulation modifier Equipment-Local to include a 14 day duration by eliminating either 1 day or 3 days as an option.