HB 2133 -- CITY AND COUNTY LIBRARIES

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This bill changes the role of members of the House of Representatives, members of the Senate, and the State Librarian on the Secretary of State's Council on Library Development to ex officio members.

Currently, participating libraries are required to maintain paper copies of designated publications, make them available to the public, and assist agencies in the distribution of those publications. The bill removes all provisions relating to participating libraries, and repeals a provision allowing the state library to enter into agreements with participating libraries.

The bill modifies the responsibilities of various agencies, the Secretary of State, and the state library in making state publications available to the public.

Additionally, any city not already served by a county or other established library district maintaining a free public library from its own resources without a levy or tax specifically for the support of such library shall be eligible for state aid as specified in the bill.