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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 6250H.011
 Bill No.: HB 3005
 Subject: Libraries and Archives; Elementary and Secondary Education; Department of
 Elementary and Secondary Education
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Bill Summary: This proposal establishes provisions relating to the reconsideration of materials in a public library or public school library.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

- Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.
- Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Local Government*	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§182.910 – Reconsideration of Library Materials

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Office of the Secretary of State, Missouri Ethics Commission, St. Louis City Board of Elections, City of Kansas City, the Platte County Board of Elections** and the **St. Louis County Board of Elections** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for this agency.

Oversight has requested additional information from the **Office of the Secretary of State** but did not receive a response by the time this fiscal note was published. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information that we have. Upon the receipt of additional information, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval to publish a new fiscal note.

In response to similar legislation, HCS HB 1146 (2025), officials from the **Rolling Hills Consolidated Library** assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact, as they already do all of this as a part of the Admin Rule set in 2023.

In response to similar legislation, HB 1146 (2025), officials from the **City of O’Fallon, Jackson County Election Board, Kansas City Election Board, and Mid-Continent Public Library** each assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

In response to similar legislation, HB 1146 (2025), officials from the **City of Osceola** responded to **Oversight’s** request but did not provide a fiscal impact response for this proposal.

Oversight notes this proposal requires the appeals process developed by each public library shall include a review board composed of local professional librarians, and the appeals process developed by each school library shall include a review board composed of local professional librarians and teachers.

Oversight assumes there could be a potential cost to local libraries and school districts for newly composed review boards and if more staff time is used to review content or replace current digital services. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a \$0 to unknown cost to local libraries and school districts for this proposal.

Oversight only reflects the responses that we have received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other school districts and public libraries were requested to respond to

this proposed legislation but did not. Upon the receipt of additional responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval to publish a new fiscal note. A general listing of political subdivisions included in our database is available upon request.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS			
<u>Cost – School districts (\$182.910)</u> Potential for additional staffing p.3	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)
<u>Cost – Public Libraries (\$182.910)</u> potential for additional staffing p.3	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	<u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

No direct fiscal impact on small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill establishes provisions relating to the reconsideration of materials in a public library or public school library. The bill defines "digital library material" as material including, but not limited to, digital audiobooks, electronic journals, electronic magazines, and other resources that are directly accessible through the public library or school library database, but excluding any online content that is available outside of the public library or school library database or platform.

This bill defines "library material" as any resource in print or non-print format, including, but not limited to, books, magazines, microfiche, microfilm, slides, exhibits, and other materials that are found in a public library or school library.

The bill defines "reconsideration" as a process in which library personnel, public schools, school districts, or library governing bodies review materials in a public library or school library due to a formal complaint filed by a member of the community. The outcome of this reconsideration may include relocating or removing library materials or removing or restricting access to digital library materials.

This bill requires all public libraries and public school libraries to establish a policy outlining the process for library materials and digital library materials to undergo reconsideration based on a complaint made about library materials or digital library materials from a member of the community.

The policy must be made publicly available as provided in the bill. A public library or school library will remove library materials from its permanent collection, relocate library materials within its collection, or remove or restrict access to digital library materials within its collection only if the materials have been reviewed in accordance with an established policy for the reconsideration of library materials and digital library materials that comply with the requirements of the bill.

To request reconsideration of library materials or digital library materials, the individual making the request must sign an affidavit affirming that: the individual has read or consumed the entirety of the challenged material; and the individual resides in the taxing district of the public library in which the request is made or the school district in which the request is made.

Each public library or school library must develop an appeals process for the reconsideration policy that outlines a process for appealing a decision made regarding the removal of library materials or digital library materials, as specified in the bill.

Digital library resources will not track or monitor the access of library materials or digital library materials by individual users, especially minors, including any tracking or monitoring to personalize user experiences. An individual who is an employee or volunteer of a public library or school library must not be subject to termination, demotion, discipline, retaliation, or any other penalty for refusing to remove library materials or digital library materials before the materials have been reviewed in accordance with a policy that complies with the provisions of this bill.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of the Secretary of State
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Missouri Ethics Commission
Kansas City
O'Fallon
Jackson County Election Board
Kansas City Election Board
Platte County Board of Elections
St. Louis City Board of Elections
St. Louis County Board of Elections
Mid-Continent Public Library
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