



## LIBRARY BOARD ITEM DESCRIPTION

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**DATE OF MEETING:** February 19, 2026

**ITEM TITLE:** Legislative Update

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### **BACKGROUND:**

There are a plethora of bills being discussed, and some that have passed the first funnel, that have the potential to cripple public libraries across the state. Some deal with governance, library collection and access (physical and digital), and access according to age. Many of the bills open up the library and staff to legal liabilities, would move control of gifts to the city council, and tax reform resulting in decreased general fund dollars.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Be aware of and advocate against proposed legislation that will hurt and/or close public libraries.