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House Bill 4942 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)
House Bill 4943 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Representative LaMar Lemmons (H.B. 4942)
Representative Mary Ann Middaugh (H.B. 4943)
House Committee: Commerce
Senate Committee: Government Operations

CONTENT

House Bill 4942 (H-1) would amend the District Library Establishment Act to replace references in the Act to the Legislative Council with references to the "Department of History, Arts, and Libraries" (DHAL) (which House Bill 4941 (S-1) would create).

House Bill 4943 (H-1) would amend the State Aid to Public Libraries Act to replace references in the Act to the "state board" with references to the DHAL. (Currently, under the Act, "state board" means the Legislative Council.)

Under the Act, the governing board of a cooperative library is required to provide certain services to member libraries within the cooperative library's area. The services are subject to standards approved by the State board. The bill provides that the services would be subject to approval by the DHAL, in consultation with the State Librarian.

Currently, the Act states that there is appropriated each year from the State's General Fund a sum necessary to fulfill the requirements of the Act. The bill specifies that it would be the intent of the Legislature that money available under this provision be used solely for assistance to public libraries or cooperative libraries and not for the administrative expenses of the Library of Michigan or the DHAL.

The bills are tie-barred to House Bill 4941.

MCL 397.172 et al. (H.B. 4942)
397.552 et al. (H.B. 4943)

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FISCAL IMPACT

Please see **FISCAL IMPACT** on House Bill 4941 (S-1).

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