

IV. LEGISLATION – POLICIES – RULES

A.1 Legislation – 2009 Session – Information Item

Bills introduced to date in the 2009 Legislature that effect the Commission for Libraries or the Idaho library community include:

SB1013. Places the Commission for Libraries within the Department of Self-Governing Agencies and revises provisions relating to the appointment, removal and terms of the Board of Library Commissioners.

Status as of 2/11/09: passed Senate, referred to House State Affairs Committee

HB61. The Idaho Budget Reduction Act of 2009, reduces the appropriation to agencies and institutions for FY2009.

Status as of 2/11/09: passed the House, on 2nd reading in the Senate with a “do pass” recommendation

SB1060. Provides a process for the dissolution of a library district. (Idaho Library Association)

Status as of 2/11/09: on 2nd reading in the Senate with a “do pass” recommendation

HB68. Amends, adds to and repeals existing law to limit elections to two dates in each calendar year. Provides that the county clerk shall administer all elections on behalf of any political subdivision. Provisions for library districts begin on page 45 of the bill: trustee elections will be held in odd-numbered years, terms will be for 6 years, and the transition process is described.

Status as of 2/11/09: referred to House State Affairs

Pending introduction: A bill to amend IC 33-2728 by increasing the bonding authority of library districts from .4% to 1%. ILA is working with Rep. Raybould and Sen. Hill to introduce the bill.