

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: passed Senate, on 3rd reading calendar in the House

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

Status: passed the House, on 3rd reading in the Senate with a “do pass” recommendation, returned to Senate Finance Committee on 3/9

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

Status: amended with clarifying language and passed the Senate, on 3rd reading in the House with a “do pass” recommendation from House Education, returned to House Revenue and Taxation on 3/31

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: in House State Affairs since 2/6

HB160. Amends IC 33-2728 by increasing the bonding authority of library districts from .4% to 1% (ILA).

Status: passed both houses, awaiting Governor’s signature

SB1142. Amends existing provisions of the open public meeting law relating to notice requirements for meetings and agendas, the written minutes of meetings, executive sessions, and violations.

Status: passed both houses, awaiting Governor’s signature

RS Commission appropriations bill for FY2010.