

IV. LEGISLATION – POLICIES – RULES

A. Legislation – Information Item

Bills passed by 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.
- SB1227.** Addresses Budget Stabilization Fund and Public Education Stabilization Fund (federal stimulus) moneys and makes null and void all references to salary reductions in fiscal year 2010 appropriations.
- SB1243.** Appropriates \$4,995,600 to Idaho Commission for Libraries for fiscal year 2010; limits full-time equivalent positions to 45.5; provides legislative intent on personnel costs; and directs salary reductions (the latter provision is overridden by SB1227).
- 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 to violations.
- HB102.** Adds to IC 31-857 to establish a standard seven year statute of limitations for procedural and jurisdictional challenges to the creation of governmental districts to eliminate unreasonably delayed legal challenges to the procedures used by the county commissions. Partially addresses the issue **SB1060** (developed and introduced via the Idaho Library Association to provide a clear process for the dissolution of a library district but was held in committee)was intended to solve.
- HB160.** Amends IC 33-2728 by increasing the bonding authority of library districts from .4% to 1%.
- HB372a.** Amends, adds to and repeals existing law to limit elections to two dates in each calendar year, and provides that the county clerk shall administer all elections on behalf of any political subdivision. Effects on library districts: trustee terms will increase from 5 to 6 years, elections will be held in odd-numbered years, and counties will pay all election expenses.