LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6066 NOTE PREPARED: Oct 28, 2025

BILL NUMBER: SB 8 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Library Budgets.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Byrne BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill requires the county, city, or town fiscal body (as applicable) to review the proposed budget and property tax levy of a public library that is not comprised of a majority of officials who are elected to serve on the public library's governing body and adopt a final budget and property tax levy for the public library. It repeals separate provisions that apply if particular conditions are satisfied as each pertains to county, city, or town fiscal body review and adoption of the final budget and property tax levy of a public library that is not comprised of a majority of officials who are elected to serve on the public library's governing body.

The bill makes corresponding changes and technical corrections.

Effective Date: July 1, 2026.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: This bill will decrease the workload for public library governing bodies and will increase the workload for county councils and city/town councils. The review and approval of a public library's proposed budget and property tax levies will shift from the library's governing body to the city, town, or county council.

[For CY 2025, there are 236 public library districts statewide. They have a total of \$634 M in certified appropriations and \$435 M in certified property tax levy.]

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Public library governing bodies; County councils; City/town councils.

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<u>Information Sources:</u> Local Government Database.

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