

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 6305

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning library districts.

Sponsors: Senators Liias, Braun, Wagoner and Wilson, C.

Senate Committee on Local Government
House Committee on Local Government

Background: Library Districts. A county, city, town, or library district may establish and maintain a library, either by itself or in cooperation with one or more other governmental units. Library districts are taxing districts and fall into the following four categories:

- rural county library districts provide library service to the entire area of a county outside of the area of incorporated cities and towns;
- island library districts provide library service for all areas outside of incorporated cities and towns on a single island only;
- rural partial-county library districts provide library service to a portion of the unincorporated area of a county; and
- intercounty rural library districts provide library services to the entire area outside of incorporated cities or towns within two or more counties.

Summary: For rural, intercounty, and island library districts, the maximum term of nonvoter approved general obligation bonds is extended from 6 to 20 years.

Library capital facilities areas may propose formation and taxation authority in a single ballot proposition rather than separately. The ballot proposition must be approved by a supermajority vote.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	41	7	
House	73	23	(House amended)
Senate	45	3	(Senate concurred)

Effective: June 11, 2020

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