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## AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 REGULAR SESSION

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### SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

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Check all that apply:

Bill Number: SB552 SEC Sub

Original ☐ Correction ☐

Amendment ☐ Substitute ☒

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### SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

#### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		
0	0	N/A	N/A
0	0		

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate expenditure decreases)

#### REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		
0	0	0	N/A	N/A
0	0	0		

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate revenue decreases)

#### ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
<b>Total</b>	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:  
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

### **SECTION III: NARRATIVE**

#### **BILL SUMMARY**

Synopsis: SB 552 amends the Public School Code to require school boards and governing bodies of charter schools to establish public school library policies by September 1, 2025, that protect against harassment and discrimination in regards to disability, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, family composition, religion, age, national origin or ancestry, with respect to the author, content and intended audience of a library resource in print or non-print format. Further the bill requires adoption of a reconsideration of library resources policy by September 1, 2025, that would allow only parents of students to challenge library materials, with the school board or governing body reviewing and making a final determination based on the library's established collection development and maintenance policy. Library materials cannot be reviewed more than once every two years, and cannot be removed from access by students while under review. A library staff member cannot be retaliated against for refusing to remove library materials under review. A request for reconsideration is a public record.

#### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

None identified.

#### **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

None identified.

#### **PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

None identified.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

None identified.

#### **CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP**

Like SB522 PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE.

Relates to HB27 LIBRARIAN PROTECTION ACT, which removes state funding of public libraries in the event a public library removes library materials for discriminatory purposes.

#### **TECHNICAL ISSUES**

None identified.

#### **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

None identified.

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

None identified.

#### **WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

School libraries may operate without an established collection development and maintenance

policy. Individuals and groups who are not parents of current students will continue to be able to challenge school library materials.

#### **AMENDMENTS**

None identified.