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House Bill 4018 (Substitute H-2 as passed by the House)
Sponsor: Representative Sue Rocca
House Committee: Local Government and Urban Policy
Senate Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 138 of 1917, which authorizes the creation of county libraries and library boards, to provide that, in a county with a population over 700,000 but not over 1.5 million, one member of the library board could be a county commissioner, who would have the same voting rights as other members of the library board.

The bill also provides that, if a county commissioner were serving on the library board after the bill's effective date, all of the following would apply:

- Those county commissioners serving on a library board could serve the remainder of their terms and could be reappointed to the library board.
- A county could appoint a county commissioner to fill a vacancy on the library board created by a county commissioner's departure from the board.
- If a county did not appoint a county commissioner to fill a vacancy created by a county commissioner's departure from the board, that board position occupied by the departing county commissioner could not subsequently be occupied by a county commissioner.

The Act currently provides that, to administer the county library fund, a library board consisting of five members must be appointed by the county board of commissioners for terms of five years each. In a county with a population of more than 1 million, the superintendent of the intermediate school district serving the county, or in a county with a population over 1.5 million, the superintendent's designee must be one of the members of the library board during the superintendent's term of office. In a county with a population over 1 million, the county board of commissioners may expand the library board to seven members, at the request of that board.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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