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House Bill 4146 (as passed by the House)  
Sponsor: Representative Thomas Kelly  
House Committee: Local Government  
Senate Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

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**CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Library Privacy Act to revise the definition of "library record" to include information that personally identified a library patron, including a patron's name, address, or telephone number.

The Act defines "library record" as a document, record, or other method of storing information retained by a library that identifies a person as having requested or obtained specific materials from a library. "Library record" does not include nonidentifying material that may be retained for studying or evaluating the circulation of library materials in general. Under the Act, a library record is exempt from the Freedom of Information Act, and library employees are prohibited from disclosing someone's library record without his or her consent or a court order.

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**FISCAL IMPACT**

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

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