

Legislative Analysis



COMPENSATION FOR MEMBER OF LIBRARY GOVERNING BOARD

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House Bill 5617

Sponsor: Rep. Ken Yonker

Committee: Local Government

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5617 AS INTRODUCED 6-4-14

House Bill 5617 would amend Public Act 164 of 1877—a law authorizing cities, villages and townships to establish free public libraries—to allow a "director" to receive compensation, as determined by "the board of directors." Now the law prohibits a director from receiving compensation.

[Note: Recent amendments to this act since this bill was drafted have replaced the term "director" with the term "member" and "board of directors" with "governing board."]

MCL 397.204

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 5617 would have no fiscal impact on the state, but could increase costs for local units of government to the extent that a city, village, or township's library board approves compensation for its board members. There are no available data to indicate how many library boards would adopt board member compensation or the potential levels of compensation.

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