LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO Sixty-eighth Legislature First Regular Session - 2025

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 209

BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

AN ACT

- RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING SECTION 33-2607, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE AN
 EXCEPTION AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 33-2608,
 IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING LIBRARY DIRECTORS AND TO
 MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN
 EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

8 SECTION 1. That Section 33-2607, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 9 amended to read as follows:

33-2607. POWERS AND DUTIES OF TRUSTEES. In addition to the powers
elsewhere contained in this chapter and notwithstanding the provisions of
title 50, Idaho Code, the board of trustees of each city library shall have
the following powers and duties:

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(1) To establish bylaws for its own governance;

(2) To establish policies and rules of use for the governance of the library or libraries under its control; to exclude from the use of the library
any and all persons who violate such rules;

(3) To establish, locate, maintain, and have custody of libraries to
serve the city, and to provide suitable rooms, structures, facilities,
furniture, apparatus apparatuses, and appliances necessary for library
service;

- 22 (4) With the approval of the city:
- (a) To acquire real property by purchase, gift, devise, lease, or otherwise;
- (b) To own and hold real and personal property and to construct buildings for the use and purposes of the library;
- (c) To sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of real or personal prop erty when no longer required by the library; and
 - (d) To insure the real and personal property of the library;

30 (5) To prepare and adopt a budget for review and approval by the city 31 council;

- (6) To control the expenditures of money budgeted for the library;
- (7) To accept or decline gifts of money or personal property, in accor dance with library policy, and under such terms as may be a condition of the
 gift;
- (8) To hire, supervise, and evaluate the library director, except as
 provided in section 33-2608, Idaho Code;
- 38 (9) To establish policies for the purchase and distribution of library 39 materials;
- 40 (10) To attend all meetings of the board of trustees;
- 41 (11) To maintain legal records of all board business; and

(12) To exercise such other powers, not inconsistent with law, neces sary for the orderly and efficient management of the library.

3 SECTION 2. That Section 33-2608, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 4 amended to read as follows:

33-2608. LIBRARY DIRECTOR -- DUTIES -- OTHER EMPLOYEES. (1) The Except
as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the board of trustees of each
city library shall appoint the library director, who shall serve at the pleasure of the board. The library director shall <u>be an employee of the city and</u>
<u>shall</u> advise the board, implement policy set by the board, supervise all library staff, and shall acquire library materials, equipment, and supplies.
The library director shall attend all board meetings but shall not vote.

12 (2) The city council may designate the library director as a position 13 to be hired and terminated in the same manner as a category of city employees 14 that it determines. If so designated, the board may advise the city council 15 and the mayor or city manager on the job performance of the library director. 16 Any such job performance reports shall be treated in the same manner as city 17 employee personnel records.

18 (2) (3) With the recommendation of the library director, the board 19 shall budget to hire other employees as may be necessary for the operation 20 of the library. The library director shall hire or oversee the hiring of all 21 other employees based on the policies, procedures, and job descriptions of 22 the city. These employees shall be employees of the city and subject to the 23 city's personnel policies and classifications unless otherwise provided by 24 city ordinance.

25 SECTION 3. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby 26 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after 27 July 1, 2025.