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Missouri House Passes Bill to Help Consolidated Public Library Districts with Budget

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – HB 2084, sponsored by State Representative Brad Banderman, has successfully advanced through the Missouri House. This legislation specifically targets the existing statute regarding the fiscal year start and end dates for public library districts.

Currently, budgeting for the year for each consolidated public library district must be done within the timeframe of July 1 to June 30th. HB 2084 would allow the districts to have a more flexible timeframe for the start and end dates of their budget plan for the year. The bill would also allow for the board of trustees to take a more measured account from the librarian about any deemed necessary changes to the fiscal budget as the year progresses.

"I brought this bill up last year and it didn't reach the finish line. To have it succeed this year, and pass out of the House is great news," stated Banderman, R-St. Clair. "While not mandated, this would put new language into statute, giving the trustees of the five consolidated library districts the freedom to set their fiscal year in the way they choose, should they choose to do so. I sponsored this bill to help these districts save money, and I feel this bill provides a solid option for that to be a greater potential."

Should the consolidated public library districts decide against setting their own fiscal year start and end date, it would fall back to those dates in current statute.

The passage of HB 2084 garnered bipartisan support in the House for successful passage, and will next move to the Missouri Senate for review where supporters are hopeful for passage by the end of the legislative session.

Rep. Brad Banderman, a Republican, represents part of Franklin County, (District 119) in the Missouri House of Representatives. Rep. Banderman was elected in November 2022. For more information, please contact Rep. Banderman at 573-751-0549 or by email at Brad.Banderman@house.mo.gov.