

BOARD MEETING DATE: August 18, 2025

AGENDA ITEM NAME: Senate Bill 13 - Recommendation of Local School Library

Advisory Council.

THIS ITEM RELATES TO STRATEGIC PLAN PILLAR(S):

Student Learning and Progress; Safety and Well-Being

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Senate Bill 13 (effective Sept 1, 2025) restructures decisionmaking over school library collections by shifting authority from certified librarians to school boards and/or newly created Local School Library Advisory Councils composed of parents. The new law expands on previous policy created by HB 900 by prohibiting materials deemed "indecent" and/or "profane," and post acquisition lists to the public for approval. Parents are granted access to their child's library checkout records and can submit lists of items their child may not check out

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

The creation of a Local School Library Advisory Council is not recommended at this time.

ATTACHMENTS: Link to Presentation

BUDGET INFORMATION: N/A

RESOURCE PERSONNEL:

Heather Conklin, District Librarian; Dr. Kristy Dietrich, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning; Carrie Reed, Deputy Superintendent of Academics

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

I move that the Board accept the administration's recommendation that the creation of a Local School Library Advisory Council is not recommended at this time.