HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES LOCAL BILL STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 1485 Alachua County/Library District Governing Board

SPONSOR(S): Rep. Jennings

TIED BILLS: IDEN./SIM. BILLS:

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST S	STAFF DIRECTOR
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SUMMARY ANALYSIS

This bill adds one member to the Alachua County Library District, an independent special district. The additional member must be a member of the School Board of Alachua County, selected by the school board. The total number of library district members currently totals five members.

The Economic Impact Statement indicates no fiscal impacts but positive outcomes relating to better public library service.

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FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. DOES THE BILL:

1.	Reduce government?	Yes[]	No[]	N/A[]
2.	Lower taxes?	Yes[]	No[]	N/A[]
3.	Expand individual freedom?	Yes[]	No[]	N/A[]
4.	Increase personal responsibility?	Yes[]	No[]	N/A[]
5.	Empower families?	Yes[]	No[]	N/A[]

For any principle that received a "no" above, please explain:

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill adds one board member to the Alachua County Library District, an independent special district. The additional member must be a member of the School Board of Alachua County, to be selected by the school board. Currently the total number of library district members totals five; three members of the Alachua County Commission and two members of the Gainesville City Commission. When acting together as the library governing board, the members may not sit as either commission members or school board member.

C. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section I – Amends section 2 of chapter 98-502, Laws of Florida, to add one member of the Alachua County School Board as a member of the Alachua County Library District board.

Section 2 – Provides an effective date of upon becoming law.

II. NOTICE/REFERENDUM AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

A. NOTICE PUBLISHED? Yes [X] No []

IF YES, WHEN? January 2, 2003

WHERE? Gainesville, Florida, The Gainesville Sun

B. REFERENDUM(S) REQUIRED? Yes [] No [X]

IF YES, WHEN?

- C. LOCAL BILL CERTIFICATION FILED? Yes, attached [X] No []
- D. ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FILED? Yes, attached [X] No []

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III. COMMENTS

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

None.

В.	RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY: None.
C.	DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:
	According to comments ¹ received on behalf of the library district, the process to add a school board member to the library district's board was begun in June, 2001 by appointing a school board member as an ex-officio member. In December, 2002, the library district's governing board requested the legislative delegation consider legislation to amend the district's special acts to allow the school board member permanent membership on the library board.
	IV. AMENDMENT/COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES
	None.

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¹ Informational email message from Ms. Julia Richardson, Legislative Assistant to Representative Ed Jennings, Jr., House District 23.