

HOUSE BILL No. 5573

April 26, 2012, Introduced by Rep. Forlini and referred to the Committee on Local, Intergovernmental, and Regional Affairs.

A bill to amend 1947 PA 359, entitled
"The charter township act,"
by amending section 13a (MCL 42.13a), as added by 2006 PA 596.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 13a. (1) In a charter township in a county with a
2 population of more than ~~1,000,000~~ **750,000** but less than 2,000,000
3 that has not been located within the service area of an established
4 free public library for the previous ~~5~~ **3** years, the township board
5 may establish and maintain a free public library.

6 (2) The board shall establish a free public library under
7 subsection (1) by adopting an ordinance or passing a resolution as
8 provided by law. The board shall file a copy of the ordinance or
9 resolution with the department of ~~history, arts, and libraries~~
10 **EDUCATION** within 10 days after adoption or passage.

11 (3) The township board shall serve as board of directors for

1 the library with final authority over all library matters. The
2 township board shall appoint a library advisory committee
3 consisting of 7 members holding staggered 3-year terms to advise
4 the township board with regard to development, operation, and
5 maintenance of the library. The township board may fill vacancies
6 on the library advisory committee and may remove a member with or
7 without cause.

8 (4) The township board shall establish the rules and
9 regulations for the operation of the library, appoint a library
10 director and authorize the hiring of qualified assistants,
11 establish a separate and dedicated library fund, and pass any
12 necessary ordinances governing the operations of the library.

13 (5) A free public library established and operated under this
14 section is a public library for the purposes of the state aid to
15 public libraries act, 1977 PA 89, MCL 397.551 to 397.576.