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S.B. No. 902

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a prohibition on the adoption of certain library standards by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 441.127, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) In establishing the accreditation standards under Subsection (a), the commission may not require the governing body of a library that proposes to become a member of a major resource system or regional library system to satisfy minimum requirements related to:

(1) local operating expenditures;

(2) collections based on publication dates;

(3) hours the library is open to the public; or

(4) the number or classification of library employees.

SECTION 2. Not later than January 1, 2018, the Texas State Library and Archives Commission shall adopt or repeal any rules necessary to comply with Section 441.127(a-1), Government Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.