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2 Introduced by Representatives Kupersmith of South Burlington, Head of
3 South Burlington, Pugh of South Burlington, and Townsend of
4 South Burlington

5 Referred to Committee on

6 Date:

7 Subject: Municipal government; municipal charters; City of South Burlington;
8 amendment; Library Department

9 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to approve an
10 amendment to the charter of the City of South Burlington regarding the Library
11 Department.

12 An act relating to approval of an amendment to the charter of the City of
13 South Burlington regarding the Library Department

14 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

15 Sec. 1. CHARTER AMENDMENT APPROVAL

16 The General Assembly approves the amendments to the charter of the City
17 of South Burlington as set forth in this act. Proposals of amendment were
18 approved by the voters on November 6, 2012.

1 Sec. 2. 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 13 is amended to read:

2 CHAPTER 13. CITY OF SOUTH BURLINGTON

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4 Subchapter 21. ~~Amendment of Charter~~ Library Department

5 § 2101. CITY LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

6 (a) The South Burlington Community Library shall be a department of the
7 City of South Burlington.

8 (b) There shall be a Library Director who shall be chosen and serve as a
9 city department head. The City Manager and library trustees shall collaborate
10 regarding appointment or removal of the Library Director. Final appointment
11 and removal authority is vested in the City Manager. The City Manager shall
12 be responsible for evaluating the performance of the Library Director and shall
13 seek input from the library trustees.

14 (c) The library trustees, with the advice of the Library Director, are
15 responsible for proposing to the City Manager the appropriation of city
16 revenues the library trustees believe are necessary to fund library operations.
17 The library trustees, in consultation with the Library Director, shall have
18 authority to make, adopt, modify, and repeal nonfiscal library policies such as
19 content of library collections.

20 (d) Except as otherwise provided, the library trustees shall serve as an
21 advisory body to the City Council on areas such as the Library's mission.

1 location, and facilities, including fundraising to support these areas. The City
2 Council and the City Manager may seek input from the library trustees prior to
3 implementing any action that would have a material effect on the library's
4 operations, policies, or procedures.

5 (e) The library trustees shall have exclusive authority to adopt, amend, and
6 repeal bylaws which do not impact library finances, which concern the meeting
7 schedule for library trustees, and which relate to activities necessary to meet
8 the advisory requirements of this chapter. Bylaws shall not be in contradiction
9 to the requirements or intent of this chapter.

10 Subchapter 23. Amendment of Charter

11 § ~~2404~~ 2301. AUTHORITY TO AMEND

12 This charter may be amended in the manner provided by the laws of the
13 ~~state~~ State of Vermont for the amendment of municipal charters.

14 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

15 This act shall take effect on passage.