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Chairwoman Roers
And Members of the State & Local Government Committee,

I am writing in support of the proposed changes presented in SB2050.

Having served as a Library Director of a public library in our state since 2012, I have seen my library and many others be profoundly impacted by State Aid. Local maintenance of effort as currently required is a barrier that is hard for many of the smaller libraries in our state to overcome.

Our branch library in Kenmare has been impacted by this in the past few years due to a misunderstanding of the process worked by governing entities. The change in being based on services offered as opposed to services and past revenue/expenses may be the difference needed for our small libraries.

I urge you to consider voting in favor of this proposed change and I thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

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