

ASSEMBLY STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2644

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 17, 2021

The Assembly State and Local Government Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2644.

This bill amends current law to allow public libraries to dispose of certain materials without advertising for bids.

Under current law, a county library commission and the board of trustees of any regional, municipal, or joint public library may purchase certain library materials without advertising for bids. These library materials include: books, periodicals, newspapers, documents, pamphlets, photographs, reproductions, microforms, pictorial or graphic works, musical scores, maps, charts, globes, sound recordings, slides, films, filmstrips, video and magnetic tapes, other printed or published matter, and audiovisual and other materials of a similar nature. This bill amends that law to allow public libraries to also dispose of those materials without advertising for bids.

This bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 1180, which was also reported by the committee on this date.