House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 599

January Session, 2025

House Bill No. 7145

House of Representatives, April 8, 2025

The Committee on Planning and Development reported through REP. KAVROS DEGRAW of the 17th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT DISSOLVING THE LAURA ANDREWS FREE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (*Effective October 1, 2025*) The Laura Andrews Free Library Association, established pursuant to number 134 of the special acts of 1880, as amended by number 30 of the special acts of 1892, is hereby dissolved. The funds and tangible property held by such association shall be transferred to the town of Thomaston for the benefit of the Thomaston Public Library.

Sec. 2. Number 134 of the special acts of 1880 and number 30 of the special acts of 1892 are repealed. (*Effective October 1, 2025*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	*October 1, 2025*	New section
Sec. 2	*October 1, 2025*	Repealer section

PD *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 26 $	FY 27 $
Thomaston	Revenue Gain	See Below	None

Explanation

The bill turns all funds and tangible property held by the Laura Andrews Free Library Association to the town of Thomaston. This results in a revenue gain to the town of Thomaston in FY 26.

Any additional impact will be dependent on how Thomaston uses the funds and tangible property.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable
Yea 19 Nay 0 (03/21/2025)