

## Weekly Legislative Update: **Local News and Democracy**

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### Bill Updates

*Bills in **green** are supported. Bills in **red** are opposed by the League. Bills in **black** the League is watching.*

No new action this week.

**SB 5626 Expanding and Enhancing Media Literacy and Digital Citizenship in K-12.** Sen. Marko Liias has signaled he prefers an administrative approach to expanding media literacy and digital citizenship education. He is working with the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction as the agency updates its state Learning Standards.

Meanwhile **SB 5102 Concerning School Library and Technology Programs**, which would require each district to adopt a policy requiring a teacher-librarian to provide media literacy and digital citizenship education, remained in the Rules committee. Proponents say there is solid support for libraries but not for requiring school district to take specific action.

### How You Can Be Involved

- Respond to Action Alerts that are posted in the legislative newsletter.
- Contact **Dee Anne Finken** for further information about the LWVWA's Local News and Democracy position and work the committee is planning related to additional future legislation. The committee meets the third Tuesday of each month.