STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. E. BROWN, BEEPHAN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Employees

AN ACT to amend the civil service law, the public officers law and the general municipal law, in relation to the employment by and funding of the Nassau county public library system

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Legislative intent. This act seeks to enhance civil service exemptions for library employees in the state of New York, recognizing the unique challenges and contributions of libraries within their communities. It aims to provide greater flexibility in hiring, fair compensation, and equitable funding for libraries.

§ 2. The civil service law is amended by adding a new section 61-a to read as follows:

§ 61-a. Appointment and promotion; Nassau county public library system. Notwithstanding the provisions of section fifty-one of this article or section sixty-one of this title, the Nassau county public library system is authorized to appoint or promote from an eligible list to a position in the competitive class by the selection of one of the five persons certified by the appropriate civil service commission as standing highest on such eligible list who are willing to accept such appointment or promotion.

§ 3. Section 3 of the public officers law is amended by adding a new subdivision 76 to read as follows:

76. In the county of Nassau, the provisions of this section requiring a person to be a resident of the political subdivision or municipal corporation of the state for which such person shall be employed or within which their official functions are required to be exercised, shall not prevent a person from holding the office of Nassau county public library system employee, provided that such person resides within the state of New York.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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§ 4. Subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (g) of subdivision 2 of section 3-c of the general municipal law, as added by section 1 of part A of chapter 97 of the laws of 2011, is amended and a new subparagraph (v) is added to read as follows:

(iv) in years in which the normal contribution rate of the New York state teachers' retirement system, as defined by paragraph a of subdivision two of section five hundred seventeen of the education law, increases by more than two percentage points from the previous year, a tax levy necessary for expenditures for the coming fiscal year for local government employer contributions to the New York state teachers' retirement system caused by growth in the normal contribution rate minus two percentage points[~~.~~]**;**

(v) a tax levy necessary for expenditures of the Nassau county public library system.

§ 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 273 of the education law, any library that falls under the purview of a school district within a county shall receive equal funding increases in allocation.

§ 6. The department of education shall promulgate any rules and regulations necessary for the implementation and enforcement of this act, ensuring that the libraries have the necessary support and flexibility to provide essential services to their communities.

§ 7. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.