

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL #2719

Friday, March 11, 2016

Currently I am serving as a member of the Marysville City Council . Our librarian informed me that this bill would restrict the mill levy to be set at no higher than 3/4 mill for our library's regional system. This would seriously impact our local library services in our community.

The library is used extensively by all ages. Many of our lower income residents do not have home computers. Having to cut back on providing electronic equipment would seriously affect students as well as other residents.

Some of the other services that could be affected are inter-library loan, book vendor discounts, summer reading programs and the use the courier.

Sponsorship of visiting poets, musicians, authors and other performers would most likely have to be cut due to lack of funds. For many in this community, this is their only opportunity to experience such activities.

Please consider the serious consequences to rural community libraries.

Sincerely,

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