ASSEMBLY STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1180

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 17, 2021

The Assembly State and Local Government Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1180.

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 Senate Bill No. 2644, which was also reported by the committee on this date.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2020-2021 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.