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**Abstract:** Authorizes library boards of control to hire a library director and establish qualifications for the position.

Present law authorizes library boards of control to establish rules and regulations, not inconsistent with law, for its own government and that of the library. Authorizes boards to elect and employ a librarian and assistant librarians and to fix salaries and compensation of librarian and assistant librarians.

Present law prohibits library boards of control from hiring a head librarian who has not been certified by the State Bd. of Library Examiners.

Proposed law retains present law and authorizes library boards of control to hire a library director and establish the qualifications for the position. Authorizes the boards to require a certificate or permit from the State Bd. of Library Examiners as a qualification for the position of library director.

Proposed law authorizes library boards of control to provide that the library director shall serve as the head librarian. Provides that a head librarian who also serves as the library director is exempt from requirement for certification by the State Bd. of Library Examiners.

(Amends R.S. 25:215(A))