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conversation -

February 10, 1988

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TO: Subcommittee Staffers

FROM: S. Gray Garwood

SUBJECT: OFFER TO SENATE ON WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON LIBRARIES

I suggest that we make the Senate an offer in writing to resolve House-Senate differences on the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services. The following offer seems reasonable:

1. The House and the Senate differ in the State participation language. Both bills allow delegates and alternate delegates to the national meeting to participate in state or territorial meetings. However, the Senate adds an additional provision that makes it clear that no State is required to participate in a State or regional conference.

RECOMMENDATION: House recede to Senate.

2. The House authorizes "such sums as may be necessary"; the Senate authorizes \$5 million.

RECOMMENDATION: Senate recede to House.

3. The Senate adds a restriction that limits a State's use of its Library Services Construction Act funds. Only funds appropriated for Title III (interlibrary cooperation) may be used for activities related to the White House Conference.

RECOMMENDATION: Senate recede to House.

4. The Senate adds a provision to authorize \$7.5 million for a grant to the Washington Library Consortium.

RECOMMENDATION: House recede to Senate.

5. The Senate adds an authorization of \$1 million for a grant to the Vermont Higher Education Council.

RECOMMENDATION: House recede to Senate.

6. The Senate adds a provision that authorizes a \$4.5 million grant to Vorhees College in Denmark, South Carolina.

RECOMMENDATION: House recede to Senate.

7. The Senate includes language that would authorize \$2.2 million for the University of Mississippi Law School.

RECOMMENDATION: House recede to Senate.

8. The Senate adds language that would increase the authorization of the Constitutional Bicentennial Education program by \$3 million, up to \$8 million.

RECOMMENDATION: House recede to Senate.

9. The Senate adds an amendment to the HEA to increase the number of institutions participating in the Income Contingent Loan Demonstration Program by up to 10 additional institutions, and these additional institutions may include consortia arrangements of institutions with the same state.

RECOMMENDATION: Senate recede to House.

10. The Senate adds an amendment to the Income Contingent Loan Demonstration that would allow institutions to pay the in-school interest on the loan out of the institution's share of these ICL funds.

RECOMMENDATION: Senate recede to House.

11. The Senate adds an amendment to the ICL Demonstration that would allow graduate and professional students to borrow under this demonstration program and allows an annual loan maximum of \$10,000 for such students and accumulative maximum of \$44,500 for such students.

RECOMMENDATION: Senate recede to House.

12. The Senate adds an amendment to the ICL Demonstration to allow only fixed interest rates, and this amendment also reduces the interest rate from that in current law (average interest rate for 91 day Treasury bills auctioned during the 3 months period ending September 30 of the preceding year, plus 3%) to the same T bill rate plus 0.5 percent.

RECOMMENDATION: Senate recede to House.

13. The Senate includes an amendment requiring guaranty agencies to provide eligible institutions with certain information. The House has already agreed to this provision.

RECOMMENDATION: House recede to Senate.

14. The Senate includes an amendment clarifying the GSL eligibility of students (who already have a bachelor's degree) who are seeking a teaching credential.

RECOMMENDATION: House recede to Senate.

15. The Senate adds a number of amendments to the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act of 1986. The House includes amendments to this Act in H.R. 5.

RECOMMENDATION: Senate and House reach agreement on this language in the context of the H.R. 5 conference.

If you have any problems with this proposal or if you object to making this offer in writing, please let me know ASAP. I will assume that if you have not contacted the Subcommittee by close of business on Wednesday, February 17, you are in agreement with this procedure and the contents of this memo. Should you have any further questions, please call me or Patty Sullivan at 6-3681.