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Note 557
Use of Funds

House Proposal

(a) IN GENERAL--Of the funds provided to a State library administrative agency under section 454(a)(2)(A), the agency shall expend (either directly or through subgrants or cooperative agreements) at least ⁹⁶97 percent in the aggregate for the following two purposes:

(1) to establish or enhance electronic linkages among or between libraries, career center systems designated or established under section 107, and local service providers receiving grants under paragraphs (1) or (2) of section 432(a), or any combination thereof; and

(2) to target library and information services to persons having difficulty using a library, and to ~~communities which are geographically remote from a library, and which persons or communities need special materials, services, and information technology,~~ ^{underserved urban + rural communities} including children (from birth through age 17) from families living below the income official poverty line (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget and revised annually in accordance with section 673(2) of the Community Services Block Grant Act (42 USC 9902(2))).

Special Rule. With respect to subsections (a)(1) and (a)(2) above, each State library administrative agency may apportion funds between the two purposes, as appropriate, to meet the needs of the individual State.

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Special Rule. Of the allotments reserved for the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau, the Secretary/Director shall make a grant to the Pacific Region Educational Laboratory in Honolulu, Hawaii, to make grants consistent with the provisions of this Act in Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau. The eligibility of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau for assistance under this Act shall terminate as of September 30, 2001.

Limitation. The Pacific Region Educational Laboratory may use not more than 5 percent of the funds received pursuant to the Special Rule for administrative costs.