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SUMMARY

Library Services and Construction Act Amendments of 1989

SECTION 2 Definitions

The definition of "construction" is expanded to include projects "to ensure safe working environments" and the term "equipment" is expanded to include the lease of equipment, and information and building technologies and video and telecommunications equipment.

The phrase "handicapped individual" is defined to mean "an individual who is physically or mentally impaired, visually impaired, or hearing impaired."

The term "network" is defined as "any local, statewide, regional, or interstate cooperative association of library entities which provide for the systematic and effective coordination of the resources of school, public, academic, and special libraries and information centers for improved supplementary services for the clientele served by each type of library entity."

SECTION 3 Authorization of Appropriations

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"such sums" for each title for FY 1991 through 1994

SECTION 4 Allocations

One half of the setaside for Indian tribes would be used for basic grants with the amount of the basic grant being determined by dividing this half by the number of tribes that submit an approved application. The other half would be used for special
project grants. Under current law, the basic grant equals the 1.5% setaside divided by the total number of tribes. All funds not applied for successfully are reallocated as special project grants. The legislative intent is to put more emphasis on the basic grant over special grants. Tribes will get an average increase of $1500 in the size of their basic grant. Special grants will continue to go only to those tribes that receive a basic grant.

To avoid applications from overlapping entities serving the same area, the bill requires that implementing regulations "prevent an allocation from being received to serve the same population by any two or more of the following: an Alaskan native village, a regional corporation or a village corporation as defined in or established pursuant to the Alaskan Native Claims Settlement Act."

SECTION 5 Resource Sharing Coordination

Requires the Secretary of Education to coordinate programs under LSCA Titles V and VI with the programs assisted by LSCA I, II and III and provide the state library agency with the opportunity to comment on any application for Title V or VI funds as it relates to the overall state plan.

SECTION 6 Maintenance of Effort

Provides for periodic review and revision of maintenance of effort requirements to allow states to report levels of state and local expenditures more closely related to the LSCA program in the state. Review and revision would occur every 5 years.

SECTION 7 Intergenerational Library Services

Title I purposes as reflected in annual programs is expanded to include Intergenerational Library Services.

SECTION 8 Childcare Library Outreach

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SECTION 9  Library Literacy Centers

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SECTION 10  Use of Title I Funds

Amends Title I by recognizing that grants of Title I funds to library systems or networks result in improved public library services.

SECTION 11  Ratable Reductions for MURLS

Amends Title I to make it possible to ratably reduce grants to Major Urban Resource Libraries (MURLS) should there be a drop in federal appropriations or in the population of cities which qualify.

SECTION 12  State Annual Program

Deletes redundant and confusing language and leaves the purposes more appropriately stated under Section 102, Uses of Federal Funds.

SECTION 13  Technology Enhancement

The phrase "technology enhancement" is defined as "the acquisition, installation, maintenance, or replacement, of substantial technological equipment (including library bibliographic automation equipment) necessary to provide access to information in electronic and other formats made possible by new information and communication technologies."

Title I purposes as reflected in annual programs would be expanded to include use of technology.

LSCA Title II is retitled "Public Library Construction and Technology Enhancement".

Adds "technology enhancement" as an eligible use of Title II funds.
Expands the use of Title III funds to include "developing the technological capacity of libraries for interlibrary cooperation and resource sharing".

SECTION 14 Preservation Objectives in Construction

Amends Title II to ensure that public libraries constructed under this title are constructed with future preservation needs in mind.

SECTION 15 Resource Sharing

The word "attaining" is substituted for "eventual".

SECTION 16 Preservation Programs

Amends Title III by providing for an optional statewide preservation cooperation plan and the identification of preservation objectives. States choosing this option are required to develop such a plan "in consultation with such parties and agencies as the State archives, historical societies, libraries, scholarly organizations, and other interested parties". The plan must specify the methods by which the State library agency will work with these entities in preserving endangered library and information resources. The State library agency may contract all or part of its preservation program to other agencies or institutions.

States with preservation cooperation plans are permitted to use Title III funds to carry them out.

SECTION 17 Library Literacy Grants

Amends Title VI by raising the amount of a literacy program grant from $25,000 to 35,000.

SECTION 18 Evaluation and Assessment

Adds a new Title VII authorizing the Secretary of Education to carry out a program of evaluation and assessment of library programs.
SECTION 19  Public Library Services

Amends the heading of Title 1 and the heading of Section 101 to read PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES.

SECTION 20  Effective Date Provision

States that the amendments made by this Act shall take effect on October 1, 1989.
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