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[Report No. 96-___]

To extend the Museum Services Act for two years, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

June 27 (legislative day, June 21), 1979

Mr. Pell introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources

September , 1979

Reported by Mr. Pell, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

A BILL

To extend the Museum Services Act for two years, and for other purposes.

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
2 of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
3 ~~That this Act may be cited as the "~~Museum Services

1 Amendments of 1979''.

2 See 2. Section 206 of the Museum Services Act is amended
3 by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

4 "(e) Procedures for reviewing grant applications under
5 this section may not be subject to any review outside of the
6 Institute.''

7 See 3. (a) Section 209 of the Museum Services Act is
8 amended by striking out "each of the fiscal years 1979 and
9 1980'' and inserting in lieu thereof "the fiscal year 1979
10 and for each of the succeeding fiscal years ending prior to
11 October 4, 1982''.

12 (b) Section 209 (d) of such Act is amended by striking
13 out "1980'' and inserting in lieu thereof "1982''.

14 That this Act may be cited as the "Museum Services
15 Amendments of 1979''.

16 Sec. 2. Section 205 of the Museum Services Act is amended
17 by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

18 "(c) The Director may appoint without regard to the
19 provisions of title 5 of the United States Code governing
20 appointment in the competitive service and may compensate
21 without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 of subchapter
22 III of chapter 53 of such title relating to classification
23 and General Schedule pay rates not to exceed one-fifth of the
24 number of full-time regular technical or professional
25 employees of the Institute. The rate of basic compensation

1 for such employees may not equal or exceed the rate
2 prescribed for GS-16 of the General Schedule under section
3 5332 of title 5, United States Code.''.

4 Sec. 3. (a) Section 206 of the Museum Services Act is
5 amended by redesignating subsection (b) as subsection (c) and
6 by adding after subsection (a) the following new subsection:

7 “(b) (1) The Director, subject to the policy direction
8 of the National Museum Services Board, is authorized to enter
9 into contracts and cooperative agreements with professional
10 museum organizations to provide financial assistance to such
11 organizations in order to enable such organizations to
12 undertake projects designed to strengthen museum services.

13 “(2) (A) No financial assistance may be made under this
14 subsection for any project for a period in excess of one
15 year.

16 “(B) No grant may be made under this subsection to pay
17 for the operational expenses of any professional museum
18 organization.

19 “(3) The aggregate amount of financial assistance made
20 under this subsection to professional museum organizations
21 shall not exceed 5 per centum of the amount appropriated
22 under this Act for that fiscal year.

23 “(4) The term ‘professional museum organization’ means
24 an nonprofit professional museum-related organization,
25 institution, or association which engages in activities

1 designed to advance the well-being of museums and the museum
2 profession.".

3 (b) Section 206 (c) of such Act (as redesignated by
4 subsection (a)) is amended--

5 (1) by inserting ", contracts and cooperative
6 agreements" after "Grants";

7 (2) by inserting "or financial assistance or" after
8 "grant"; and

9 (3) by inserting "financial assistance or" after
10 "grants".

11 Sec. 4. Section 206 of the Museum Services Act is further
12 amended by adding at the end thereof the following new
13 subsection:

14 "(d) The Director shall establish procedures for
15 reviewing and evaluating grants, contracts and cooperative
16 agreements made or entered into under this section.

17 Procedures for reviewing grant applications or contracts and
18 cooperative agreements for financial assistance under this
19 section may not be subject to any review outside of the
20 Institute.".

21 Sec. 5. (a) Section 209 of the Museum Services Act is
22 amended by striking out "each of the fiscal years 1979 and
23 1980" and inserting in lieu thereof "the fiscal year 1979
24 and for each of the succeeding fiscal years ending prior to
25 October 1, 1982".

1 (b) Section 209 (d) of such Act is amended by striking
2 out ``1980`` and inserting in lieu thereof ``1982``.