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## Museum Services Act (1984): Correspondence 13

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To phone

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

November 21, 1979

617-329-5300

The Honorable Claiborne Pell  
U.S. Senate  
325 Old Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Claiborne:

When I called you from London you suggested that I give you some language suggestions for the "insurance policy," ~~and~~ for the reauthorization, with regard to our current status in the Department of Education bill. The suggested wording, which is as brief as was possible, is below:

SP  
Lee  
could we  
get statutory  
language added  
at full COP level?  
check out notes  
still. If not,  
lets do report  
language.

SUGGESTED LANGUAGE FOR THE  
INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM SERVICES REAUTHORIZATION

Possible Statutory Language

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_

Notwithstanding the provision of any other law, the Institute of Museum Services is to retain its status as a separate agency of the Federal Government, within the Department of Education, until otherwise changed by an Act of Congress.

Possible Report Language

Although Section 413 of the Enabling Act which created the Department of Education provided that the functions of the Institute of Museum Services could be consolidated, altered or discontinued, it is the sense of the (House, Senate, Conference, etc.) that the Institute of Museum Services should retain its status as a separate agency unless that status is altered by an Act of Congress.

identity  
Statute

I'm giving Jack Duncan a copy of this and I believe he will talk to John about it.

I do hope your reaction is in favor of this or its equivalent as we feel very, very uncomfortable at the moment and this, of course, would restore us to our original position.

Have a good Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

George C. Seybolt