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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

for himself and Senators Kennedy, Hatch and Kassebaum

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

A BILL

To improve the operation and effectiveness of the United States National Commission on Libraries and Information Science, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "National Commission on Libraries and Information Science Act Amendments of 1991".

SEC. 2. COMMISSION ESTABLISHED.

Subsection (b) of section 3 of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science Act (hereafter in this Act referred to as the "Act") (20 U.S.C. 1502(b)) is repealed.

SEC. 3. CONTRIBUTIONS.
Section 4 of the Act (20 U.S.C. 1503) is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 4. CONTRIBUTIONS."

"The Commission is authorized to accept, hold, administer, and utilize gifts, bequests, and devises of property, both real and personal, for the purpose of aiding or facilitating the work of the Commission. Gifts, bequests, and devises of money and proceeds from sales of other property received as gifts, bequests, or devises shall be deposited in the Treasury and shall be available for disbursement upon the order of the Commission."

"SEC. 4. FUNCTIONS."

Paragraph (6) of section 5(a) of the Act (20 U.S.C. 1504(a)(6)) is amended by striking ""the national communications networks"" and inserting ""national and international communications and cooperative networks"".

"SEC. 5. MEMBERSHIP."

Subsection (a) of section 6 of the Act (20 U.S.C. 1505(a)) is amended--

(1) after the third sentence thereof, by inserting the following new sentence: ""A majority of members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for conduct of business at official meetings of the Commission.""; and

(2) in the fourth sentence thereof by striking ""(1) the terms of office"" and all that follows through ""time
of appointment,‘‘ and inserting ‘‘(1) the term of office of any member of the Commission shall continue until the earlier of (A) the date on which the member’s successor has been appointed by the President; or (B) July 19 of the year succeeding the year in which the member’s appointed term of office shall expire,‘‘.

SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Section 7 of the Act (20 U.S.C. 1506) is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 7. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

'There are authorized to be appropriated $911,000 for fiscal year 1992 and such sums as may be necessary for each succeeding fiscal year thereafter to carry out the provisions of this Act.'"