

Of no less importance, what is acquired does not belong to any one of them alone with the privilege of first call on it. It belongs to all equally, and each member has equal access to it.

In our judgment, this type of cooperative library program is a logical part of the networks for knowledge.

If I could pick up a point of Congressman Quie's—libraries do believe in this and we have been spending money on it, we are spending money on it, and we expect to continue to spend money on it, but we do need some help.

In our judgment, assistance to this kind of project should be provided under networks for knowledge. It seems to fit well within the intent and purpose of the act, but there is no clear specification that funds could be used for this purpose.

We would, therefore, respectfully suggest that certain paragraphs be renumbered and that the following statement be added, that, "Funds could be available for cooperative programs and facilities, for the acquisition and processing of library materials, for joint use and for buildings and equipment required to house, preserve, and make available such materials."

I have now some rather minor changes in language to which I would like to draw attention.

We would like to have inserted on page 93, line 4, the words "new and" so that the section would read "such grants may be made to other new and established public or nonprivate agencies."

As the law is written, it says "to other established." We think if you are going to stimulate this activity there should be recognition and opportunity for new organizations to be established and to present their proposals.

On line 18, page 93, we would suggest the deletion of the word "specialized" because we believe it might be interpreted in a restrictive fashion.

On line 19, page 93, we would suggest the insertion of the following language after the word "catalogs." These are the words we would like to have inserted, "and other bibliographic records in both conventional and unconventional form."

This section would then read "affording access to library collections through preparation of interinstitutional catalogs and the bibliographic records in conventional and unconventional form."

We suggest this change because the word "catalog" is sometimes interpreted narrowly. We believe that any type of library record that will serve the purpose of the title should be eligible for support.

We include the words "conventional and unconventional" because we think the library catalog of the future may be in some other form.

Now it is either on cards or in book form but it may be on a future date be in computer memory or on tape or some other form. So we believe that that should be provided for.

On page 94, line 11, we suggest that after the word "terminals" a comma and the following words be added, "except for pilot projects, research, and experimental purposes."

The section then would read "grants pursuant to clause (B) of paragraph 3 of subsection (b) may not be used to pay the cost of electronic transmission terminals, except for pilot projects, research, and experimental purposes."