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HEA II-D. An end-of-session omnibus funding bill (H.J.Res. 395, PL 100-202) assured start-up funding of \$3,590,000 for the new technology and cooperation grants for academic libraries under Title II-D of the Higher Education Act. This extraordinary accomplishment, aided by the leadership of Rep. John Porter (R-IL) was the one bright spot in funding for Department of Education library programs for the 1988 fiscal year. Watch for draft regulations for the II-D program; they are expected to be published in the *Federal Register* about the time you receive this issue.

Other program funding. Most other increases for library programs passed earlier by the House or Senate were wiped out by implementation of the deficit reduction package agreed to by the White House and Congressional leaders. The results for selected library programs are as follows:

(amounts in thousands)	FY 1987 Funding	FY 1988 House	FY 1988 Senate	FY 1988 Funding
HEA II-A college libraries	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
HEA II-B training & research	1,000	1,000	500	718
HEA II-C research libraries	6,000	6,000	6,000	5,744
HEA II-D tech. & coop.	0	5,000	2,500	3,590
HEA III developing instits.	147,208	180,000	138,300	152,370
HEA IV-C college work study	592,500	625,000	614,423	588,249
HEA VI international educ.	27,550	26,550	26,550	25,419
LSCA III interlibrary coop.	18,000	20,000	19,000	18,669
GPO SuDocs	23,763	25,300	25,300	24,662
Library of Congress	239,305	252,786	255,235	247,971
Nat'l Lib. of Medicine	61,838	71,465	70,399	67,910
Nat'l Agricultural Lib.	11,098	11,962	12,795	12,194
NCLIS	683	750	791	718
NEH	138,890	139,640	139,291	140,435
NHPRC	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Postal revenue forgone	650,000	556,507	517,000	517,000
FIPSE	12,163	12,163	12,163	11,645
Center for Educ. Statistics	8,747	22,386	20,586	20,953

FCC access charges. Staff of the Federal Communications Commission have indicated by phone that the proposal to impose access charges on "enhanced service providers" or value-added networks will not go into effect January 1 as proposed (CC Docket 87-215). No new date has been set, and no written announcement made; the proposal will simply not be in effect unless and until further notice from the FCC. FCC staff have said the Commission received approximately 20,000 communications on the issue.

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Manuscript donations. Sen. Daniel Moynihan (D-NY) introduced on December 10 the National Heritage Resource Act (S. 1940) to restore a tax deduction for artwork or manuscripts donated by their creators to libraries and museums. Since 1969 such deductions have been limited to the cost of the materials rather than the fair market value of the items. S. 1940 is the companion to HR 2050, introduced last April by Rep. Thomas Downey (D-NY). In his introductory statement (in the December 10 *Congressional Record*, pp. S17760-61), Sen. Moynihan spoke about how the deduction was lost:

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