



Advocacy and Policy Update: A View from DC

ARL Membership Meeting

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Appropriations

Congressional proposal:

- Over \$ 5 trillion in deficit reduction over 10 years through spending cuts
- No new taxes
- Hardest hit are discretionary programs, e.g. NEH, IMLS, NSF
- House Budget Resolution calls for eliminating IMLS

Accessibility

- Katya Pereyaslavska, ARL Visiting Program Officer working with publishers
- DoJ and edX settlement
- TEACH Act update
- AAU, ARL, ACE, EDUCAUSE accessibility forums
- BC Open Textbook Project:
<http://opentextbc.ca/accessibilitytoolkit/>
- University of Minnesota Open Textbook Initiative

Copyright

- US House of Representatives Copyright Reform
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- GAO reports on the Library of Congress and the Copyright Office IT infrastructure