

111TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 2872

To authorize appropriations for the National Historical Publications and Records Commission through fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 11, 2009

Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BYRD, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. WEBB) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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## A BILL

To authorize appropriations for the National Historical Publications and Records Commission through fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**  
4 **THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2014 FOR NATIONAL**  
5 **HISTORICAL PUBLICATIONS AND RECORDS**  
6 **COMMISSION.**

7 Section 2504(g)(1) of title 44, United States Code,  
8 is amended—

9 (1) in subparagraph (R), by striking “and”;

1           (2) in subparagraph (S), by striking the period  
2           and inserting “; and”; and

3           (3) by adding at the end of the following:

4           “(T) \$13,000,000 for fiscal year 2010,  
5           \$13,500,000 for fiscal year 2011, \$14,000,000 for  
6           fiscal year 2012, \$14,500,000 for fiscal year 2013,  
7           and \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 2014.”.

8   **SEC. 2. INCREASED FLEXIBILITY FOR ARCHIVIST IN THE**  
9                                   **RECORDS CENTER REVOLVING FUND.**

10          Subsection (d) under the heading “RECORDS CENTER  
11   REVOLVING FUND ” in title IV of the Independent Agen-  
12   cies Appropriations Act, 2000 (Public Law 106–58; 113  
13   Stat. 460; 44 U.S.C. 2901 note), is amended—

14               (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “not to exceed  
15               4 percent” and inserting “determined by the Archi-  
16               vist of the United States”; and

17               (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “Funds in ex-  
18               cess of the 4 percent at the close of each fiscal year”  
19               and inserting “Any unobligated and unexpended bal-  
20               ances in the Fund that the Archivist of the United  
21               States determines to be in excess of those needed for  
22               capital equipment or a reasonable operating re-  
23               serve”.

1 **SEC. 3. GRANTS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF STATE AND**  
 2 **LOCAL DATABASES FOR RECORDS OF SER-**  
 3 **VITUDE, EMANCIPATION, AND POST-CIVIL**  
 4 **WAR RECONSTRUCTION.**

5 Section 8 of the Presidential Historical Records Pres-  
 6 ervation Act of 2008 (44 U.S.C. 2504 note) is amended  
 7 to read as follows:

8 **“SEC. 8. GRANTS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF STATE AND**  
 9 **LOCAL DATABASES FOR RECORDS OF SER-**  
 10 **VITUDE, EMANCIPATION, AND POST-CIVIL**  
 11 **WAR RECONSTRUCTION.**

12 “(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Archivist of the United  
 13 States, after considering the advice and recommendations  
 14 of the National Historical Publications and Records Com-  
 15 mission, may make grants to States, colleges and univer-  
 16 sities, museums, libraries, and genealogical associations to  
 17 preserve records and establish electronically searchable  
 18 databases consisting of local records of servitude, emanci-  
 19 pation, and post-Civil War reconstruction.

20 “(b) **MAINTENANCE.**—Any database established  
 21 using a grant under this section shall be maintained by  
 22 appropriate agencies or institutions designated by the Ar-  
 23 chivist of the United States.”.

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