Advocacy and Policy Update: A View from DC

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Sample of Coalitions and Policy Partners

Open Access Working Group
Surveillance Coalition
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 Pereyaslavskaya, 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/](http://opentextbc.ca/accessibilitytoolkit/)
- University of Minnesota Open Textbook Initiative
Copyright

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