

HSLI Legislative Committee

Updates/Issues/Topics

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System Merger—Development of Reaching Across Illinois Library System (RAILS) Merging of Metropolitan, North Suburban, Alliance, Prairie Area and Dupage Library Systems. Over 1500 public, private, university, special, and school library members—Covering over 27,000 square miles.

Funding issues—Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) and Institute of Museum and Library Services—Action needed to maintain funding and support.

Budget cuts—Elimination of print versus of *Statistical Abstract, State and Metropolitan Area Data Book, County and City Data Book, and Federal Aid to States*

Other issues—Workforce Investment Act—funding for libraries

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