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- [U.S. Senators Seek to Enhance Support for America's Libraries & Museums](#) "Today's introduction of the bipartisan MLSA reauthorization is the first critical step toward ensuring federal support for our nation's nearly 120,000 libraries," said American Library Association President Jim Neal. "LSTA grants enable libraries in every state to innovate and meet the growing demand for services that meet the needs of our communities. Millions of people – including students, veterans, entrepreneurs and job seekers – depend on the programs that the MLSA will allow to continue. ALA supports this bill and encourages our members and library supporters across the country to urge their senators to cosponsor the MLSA."
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