

Why I Voted Yes on H.R. 6122, to revise authority of the Librarian of Congress to accept gifts on behalf of the Library.

I voted Yes on H.R. 6122, which would allow the Librarian of Congress to accept gifts of securities, personal property valued at \$25,000 or less, and certain services in the interest of the Library of Congress. Under current law, the Librarian can receive and use gifts of money. The bill also requires that each gift or bequest accepted during the year valued at \$1,000 or more to be included in the Annual Report of the Library.

The Library of Congress, first established in 1800 by President John Adams, contains the world's largest collection of legal materials, films, maps, sheet music, and more than 33 million cataloged books and 63 million manuscripts. I supported this legislation to allow the Library of Congress to accept and use more types of donations as a way of supporting this historic national resource in its mission to further the knowledge of the American people.

H.R. 6122 was approved by a vote of 377 – 0.