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To: Montana State Library Commission
From: Cara Orban, Statewide Projects Librarian
Subject: Montana Library Network Shared E-Resources Collection Development Policy draft
Date: November 28, 2022

The Electronic Resources (“E-Resources”) Core Services Committee has drafted a collection development policy for e-resources procured by the Montana State Library for the benefit of all Montanans. This policy has been reviewed by Agency Legal Services and the Network Advisory Committee (NAC). Changes from the draft the Commission reviewed in October include:

- Language regarding the rights of minors and that encourages caregivers to be familiar with what their children are reading and to guide their children’s use of the library.
- Language to clarify the period in which a request for reconsideration will be reviewed and forwarded to the Commission.
- Language that states that items that have been previously contested within the previous three years will not be reconsidered.

Staff and the NAC recommend the Commission adopt this collection development policy.