



What the “Preserve the American Historical Record” Bill Means for Alabama

- ❖ Alabama would receive over \$783,668 annually from a total of \$50 million dollars appropriated nationally.
- ❖ Competitive grants would be available to Alabama’s 1,171 local governments; hundreds of local archives, historical societies, and heritage organizations; 207 public libraries; and more than 64 academic institutions with library and archival holdings.
- ❖ If we had this program, you might see:
 - ◆ Researchers using an Alabama online digital collection of historic photographs, documents, and maps
 - ◆ Teachers and students using an online educational site of archival records with lessons that support the teaching of Alabama history and a host of other academic subjects, from kindergarten through graduate school
 - ◆ Family historians searching name indexes online for military service, land ownership, naturalization, and the state census for all of Alabama
 - ◆ Assistance for institutions in developing sound archival programs based on best practices
 - ◆ Training to support implementation of electronic records programs
 - ◆ Researchers using email and databases that have been saved in a way that they can always be read
 - ◆ Government officials following a well-designed disaster plan to save essential records and resume operations after a flood or tornado

Please help us Preserve the American Historical Record

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