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November 25, 1957

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6. The participating legislative service agency of this state agrees to continue to provide 3 copies of all legislative service agency publications to the Council of State Governments for the Legislative Research Checklist and the Interstate Loan Library maintained by the Council; and also to provide one copy to the Library of Congress.

7. It is agreed by the participating legislative service agency of this state that the publications it will send out to other states under this agreement will include: all final reports of studies prepared by legislative service agencies, including interim legislative study committees and commissions, when such reports are published; significant intermediate reports of studies prepared by such agencies, when they are published; summary published reports of activities of such agencies; and such other published reports as, in the opinion of the legislative service agency of this state, may have interstate interest.

8. This agreement shall be operative as far as this state is concerned as of the date of this Letter of Notification and shall continue in effect until a Letter of Discontinuance shall be sent on behalf of the participating legislative service agency of this state to the Council of State Governments.

9. It is understood that this agreement is confined in its application to the agencies and materials herein described, and that it does not affect any existing or subsequent exchange agreements entered into by any participating agencies with other agencies; that it does not prohibit solicitation of other publications of legislative service agencies; and that it does not restrict distribution of copies of publications if a distributing state desires to supply additional copies.

Sincerely yours,

Roger H. McDonough
Director

DFH:pb

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to Mr. H. H. Hough for his
signature. Should be copied
from attached on our letter
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Roger H. McDonough
FROM: Mr. Dan F. Henke
DATE: February 20, 1957
SUBJECT: National Legislative Conference Exchange of Publications Program

At the outset, I believe we should be aware that in its perfected form, this program contemplates a supply of legislative research reports in excess of 150 copies for distribution to the more than 50 jurisdictions comprising the membership of the National Legislative Conference. Since it is tied to the depository library idea by which a library in each jurisdiction is to receive three copies of each publication—one for depository use, one for circulating use and one for legislative agency use—it is likely to be somewhat expensive in its operation.

In return for its publications, a participating state would, if all other States participated, receive at least a single copy of all of the legislative research reports issued by the various states. In our case, this would further complicate our space situation, although not as much as one might think because we already receive the bulk of these reports. Our present procedure is to write a letter for desired materials which we usually receive gratis.

In principle, I favor the idea of receiving these reports automatically. They are valuable and find great use here. If I hesitate at all in recommending our active participation it is because of a fear that we may not be able to reciprocate with consequent adverse publicity flowing therefrom. At the Seattle meeting, Mr. Leonard and Mrs. Dalton of New York and California expressed their dissatisfaction with the New Jersey publications distribution set-up stating that while we were supplied with their publications, that they had great difficulty in obtaining those from New Jersey. Not knowing what the situation was, I listened and promised to cooperate in any way possible. Last Fall, when Mr. Alito was working on what is now S-117, I advised him of the plan relative to supply of 150 copies for exchange purposes.

The plan is somewhat grandiose because it has been pushed by the richer states and it seems likely that many of the poorer states will be unable to participate. This being true, we could probably participate even under our present allotment of publications, and where legislative research reports are involved, we should be able to secure enough.

If, in view of our present situation in regard to space, limited publications, and personnel to handle such chores, you think we are able to participate, then I would be in favor of joining in the cooperative program.

If we accept, then this library should be the receiving, distributing, and depository agency under the program and receive at least one, and possible two copies of Legislative Services wants copies.

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SECRETARIAT
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IMPORTANT! -- PERSONAL ATTENTION PLEASE!

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE:

Will you please note on your business calendar that the Tenth Annual Meeting of the National Legislative Conference will be held at the Biltmore Hotel in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, October 16-19, 1957!

The Executive Committee of the Conference met here in Chicago last week and made plans for the program at the forthcoming Oklahoma City meeting. We shall be writing you more fully about these decisions as well as in regard to the entertainment program which the Oklahoma Legislative Council is developing.

Meantime -- please circle the above dates and plan to attend.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely,

Herbert L. Wiltsee

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Mr. Dan Henke
Bureau of Law and Legislative Reference
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State House Annex
Trenton 7, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Henke:

We are now in the process of making a complete roundup of 1957 state legislation affecting water resources similar to State Water Legislation, 1955 - BX 299

I realize that the 1957 session has still not adjourned. However, I would appreciate knowing if any significant legislation affecting water rights, conservation and use of water resources, small watershed or irrigation projects, pollution control, or construction of water supply facilities has been passed so far at this session. If so, we would appreciate receiving copies of such acts or information about them.

Thank you for your assistance. We will, of course, send you a copy of the final summary when it is prepared.

Sincerely,

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