

# U.S. Senate passed bill with NIH open access mandate

Martin Fenner, Gobbledygook

October 24, 2007

The U.S. senate yesterday passed the FY2008 Labor, HHS, and Education Appropriations Bill. The bill includes provisions that make public access of all papers from NIH-funded research mandatory. Peter Suber reports that last-minute amendments to weaken these provisions were not included (the official U.S.Senate website hasn't been updated yet to include that information). The House of Representatives passed this bill in July, and we now have to wait for the likely presidential veto.