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## Costs for Library Materials Projected to Surge

A new Fast Facts from Library Research Service projects costs for most library materials to surge over the next few years. The two exceptions are audio and video tapes. See the complete report at <http://www.lrs.org/documents/fastfacts/172matsprices.pdf>.

## State Publications Library Changes Web Address

The State Publications Library, which provides convenient access to information produced by state government agencies (such as annual reports, budgets, planning reports, newsletters, consumer information, and directories), has changed its Web address. The new address, [www.cde.state.co.us/stateinfo](http://www.cde.state.co.us/stateinfo), is easier to remember and more appropriate to the office's functions. The State Publications Library catalogs Web publications as well as printed items from state agencies.

## E-Learning and ETIL Become Education Priority

The State Board of Education is discussing a new initiative on e-learning (formerly known as distance learning) and educational technology and information literacy (ETIL). Nancy Bolt, assistant commissioner for libraries, and Eric Feder, director of telecommunications at CDE, prepared a presentation for a recent State Board of Education work-session. The presentation (to be available on the CDE Web site shortly) focused on definitions of ETIL and of a quality e-learning program, current issues and barriers to e-learning, and recommendations for action.

The State Board seems committed to including ETIL in the new accreditation

rules and regulations. In addition the concept of ETIL is being proposed as part of the new "principal standards." Commissioner Moloney has also designated ETIL as a priority for the Department of Education.

Eric Feder is leading the development of a new state technology plan. The State Library has assigned five staff members to work on various aspects of this planning effort, and the concepts of information literacy will be included.

The State Library is pleased to be part of this effort. Watch for the PowerPoint presentation on the State Library's Web site.

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