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The Florida Division of Library and Information Services (FDLIS) has contracted with the Information Use Management and Policy Institute (Information Institute) to evaluate pilot programs developed for the Florida Electronic Library (FEL) located at http://www.flelibrary.org/. FEL is funded by the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA), administered by FDLIS, and planned, developed, and implemented in cooperation with libraries throughout Florida. The purpose of this research is to evaluate three current FEL pilot programs: 1) the Ex Libris Metalib/SFX Portal, 2) the Digital Collections Catalog (DCC), and 3) the FEL web interface. Study results from usability, functionality, and accessibility testing will provide data that can inform the FDLIS decision-making process for the continued implementation of the statewide electronic library.

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