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During 2009, several government studies were performed, and reports were published, which, potentially, will have a huge impact on the activities of the National Library.

Changes to legal deposit regulation, implying an *expansion of legal deposit to include web publishing* is proposed in one of the reports, *new responsibilities towards public libraries*, implying monitoring, development support and coordination, in another.

The legal proposal report met with opposition from some of the presumptive depositors, mainly the newspaper owners, who thought it far too complicated. At present, it is being modified in the hope of finding a more acceptable solution. A new proposal is expected in the autumn of 2010.

In addition, there is an ongoing evaluation of the Swedish copyright act. An interim report was published in March 2010, essentially supporting the use of extended collective licensing for large-scale digitisation performed by libraries and archives. A final report is expected by the end of 2010.

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