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Location: section 5.2 ("Reauthentication"), Paragraph 2, last sentence.

Proposal:  
Session data SHOULD NOT be lost when reauthenticating. Also, repair a run-on sentence.

Rationale:  
My number one annoyance with reauthentication is that even when completed prior to expiration, many systems return you to the starting position and discard any edits in process. This has the undesirable effect of encouraging long reauthentication intervals.

Original Text (§ 5.2 Reauthentication, ¶ 2, last sentence):  
Session activity SHALL reset the inactivity timeout, and successful reauthentication during a session SHALL reset both timeouts.

Suggested Text:  
Session activity SHALL reset the inactivity timeout. Successful reauthentication during a session SHALL reset both timeouts and SHOULD preserve the session without losing unsaved changes.

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