Public Law 98–78 98th Congress

An Act

Making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1984, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1984, and for other purposes, namely:

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, including not to exceed \$36,500 for allocation within the Department of official reception and representation expenses as the Secretary may determine, \$41,275,000, of which \$4,000,000 shall remain available until expended and shall be available for the purposes of the Minority Business Resource Center as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 332: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds available for the purposes of the Minority Business Resource Center in this or any other Act, may be used for business opportunities related to any mode of transportation.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING, RESEARCH, AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses for conducting transportation planning, research, and development activities, including the collection of national transportation statistics, to remain available until expended, \$4,878,000.

LIMITATION ON WORKING CAPITAL FUND

Necessary expenses for operating costs and capital outlays of the Department of Transportation Working Capital Fund not to exceed \$67,974,000 shall be paid, in accordance with law, from appropriations made available by this Act and prior appropriation Acts to the Department of Transportation, together with advances and reimbursements received by the Department of Transportation. Aug. 15, 1983 [H.R. 3329]

Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1984.

COAST GUARD

OPERATING EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for the operation and maintenance of the Coast Guard, not otherwise provided for; purchase of not to exceed one new ambulance and eight passenger motor vehicles, for replacement only: and recreation and welfare, \$1,656,256,000, together with \$12,550,000 to be derived from the appropriation for "Retired pay", of which \$263,544 shall be applied to Capehart Housing debt reduction: Provided, That the number of aircraft on hand at any one time shall not exceed two hundred and ten exclusive of planes and parts stored to meet future attrition: Provided further. That none of the funds appropriated in this or any other Act shall be available for pay or administrative expenses in connection with shipping commissioners in the United States: Provided further, That none of the funds provided in this Act shall be available for expenses incurred for vacht documentation under 46 U.S.C. 103 except to the extent fees are collected from yacht owners and credited to this appropriation, and, notwithstanding any other law, the Secretary may prescribe fees to recover the expenses of vacht documentation.

ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, AND IMPROVEMENTS

For necessary expenses of acquisition, construction, rebuilding, and improvement of aids to navigation, shore facilities, vessels, and aircraft, including equipment related thereto; to remain available until September 30, 1988, \$369,000,000.

ALTERATION OF BRIDGES

For necessary expenses for alteration or removal of obstructive bridges, \$8,600,000, to remain available until expended.

RETIRED PAY

For retired pay including the payment of obligations therefor otherwise chargeable to lapsed appropriations for this purpose, and payments under the Retired Serviceman's Family Protection and Survivor Benefit Plans, and for payments for medical care of retired personnel and their dependents under the Dependents Medical Care Act (10 U.S.C., ch. 55), \$341,300,000.

Reserve Training

For all necessary expenses for the Coast Guard Reserve, as authorized by law; maintenance and operation of facilities; and supplies, equipment, and services, \$54,805,000.

RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for basic and applied scientific research, development, test, and evaluation; maintenance, rehabilitation, lease, and operation of facilities and equipment, as authorized by law, \$22,500,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That there may be credited to this appropri-

14 USC 92 note.

Yacht documentation.

10 USC 1071 et seg.

ation, funds received from State and local governments, other public authorities, private sources and foreign countries for expenses incurred for research, development, testing and evaluation: Provided *further*. That \$500,000 of this appropriation shall be available only for the development and testing of a sealed electronic ocean dumping surveillance system to assist the Coast Guard in conducting enforcement and surveillance activities pursuant to title I of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (33 U.S.C. 1401 et seq.).

OFFSHORE OIL POLLUTION COMPENSATION FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of title III of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act Amendments of 1978 (Public Law 95–372), such sums as may be necessary, to be derived from the 43 USC 1811. Offshore Oil Pollution Compensation Fund and to remain available until expended. In addition, the Secretary of Transportation is authorized to issue to the Secretary of the Treasury, to meet the obligations of the Fund, notes or other obligations pursuant to section 302 of the Amendments in such amounts and at such times 43 USC 1812. as may be necessary: Provided. That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the implementation or execution of programs the obligations for which are in excess of \$60,000,000 in fiscal year 1984 for the "Offshore Oil Pollution Compensation Fund".

DEEPWATER PORT LIABILITY FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 18 of the Deepwater Port Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-627), \$1,000,000, to 33 USC 1517. be derived from the Deepwater Port Liability Fund and to remain available until expended. In addition, the Secretary of Transporta- 33 USC 1517a. tion is authorized to issue, and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to purchase, without fiscal year limitation, notes or other obligations pursuant to section 18(f)(3) of the Act in such amounts and at such times as may be necessary to meet the obligations of the Fund: Provided, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the implementation or execution of programs, the obligations for which are in excess of \$50,000,000 in fiscal year 1984 for the "Deepwater Port Liability Fund".

NATIONAL RECREATIONAL BOATING SAFETY AND FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT FUND

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

For payment of obligations incurred for recreational boating safety assistance under Public Law 92-75, as amended, \$12,500,000, to be derived from the National Recreational Boating Safety and Facilities Improvement Fund and to remain available until expended: Provided, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs, the obligations for which are in excess of \$12,500,000 in fiscal year 1984 for recreational boating safety assistance: Provided further. That no obligations may be incurred for the improvement of recreational boating facilities.

Ocean dumping surveillance.

46 USC 1451 note.

97 STAT. 455

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

HEADQUARTERS ADMINISTRATION

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, of providing administrative services at the headquarters location of the Federal Aviation Administration, including but not limited to accounting, budgeting, personnel, legal, public affairs, and executive direction for the Federal Aviation Administration, \$56,900,000: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Transportation is authorized to transfer appropriated funds between this appropriation and the Federal Aviation Administration appropriation for Operations: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be neither increased nor decreased by more than 7.5 per centum by any such transfers: *Provided further*, That any such transfers shall be reported to the Committees on Appropriations.

OPERATIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Federal Aviation Administration, not otherwise provided for, including administrative expenses for research and development and for establishment of air navigation facilities, and carrying out the provisions of the Airport and Airway Development Act, as amended, or other provisions of law authorizing obligation of funds for similar programs of airport and airway development or improvement; purchase of four passenger motor vehicles for replacement only and purchase and repair of skis and snowshoes, \$2,500,000,000: *Provided*, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources, for expenses incurred in the maintenance and operation of air navigation facilities: *Provided further*, That none of these funds shall be available for new applicants for the second career training program: *Provided further*, That the unexpended balances of the appropriations, "Federal Aviation Administration Safety Regulation" and "Federal Aviation Administration Research and Development" shall be transferred to this appropriation and remain available until expended.

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT (AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for acquisition, establishment, and improvement by contract or purchase, and hire of air navigation and experimental facilities, including initial acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; engineering and service testing including construction of test facilities and acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; construction and furnishing of quarters and related accommodations for officers and employees of the Federal Aviation Administration stationed at remote localities where such accommodations are not available, and the lease or purchase of six aircraft; to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to remain available until September 30, 1988, \$750,000,000: *Provided*, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources, for expenses incurred in the establishment and modernization of air navigation facilities.

Report to congressional committees.

49 USC app. 1701 note.

RESEARCH, ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for research, engineering, and development, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Aviation Act (49 U.S.C. 1301–1542), including construction of experimental facilities and acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant, \$263,452,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources, for expenses incurred for research, engineering and development.

GRANTS-IN-AID FOR AIRPORTS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT Authorization) (Airport and Airway Trust Fund)

For liquidation of obligations incurred for airport planning and development under section 14 of Public Law 91-258, as amended, and under other law authorizing such obligations, and obligations for noise compatibility planning and programs, \$745,000,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs the commitments for which are in excess of \$800,000,000 in fiscal year 1984 for grants-in-aid for airport planning and development, and noise compatibility planning and programs notwithstanding section 506(e)(4) of the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982.

96 Stat. 677. 49 USC app. 2205.

84 Stat. 224.

Operation and Maintenance, Metropolitan Washington Airports

For expenses incident to the care, operation, maintenance, improvement, and protection of the federally owned civil airports in the vicinity of the District of Columbia, including purchase of ten passenger motor vehicles for police or ambulance type use, for replacement only; and purchase of two motor bikes for replacement only; purchase of one ambulance, for replacement only; purchase, cleaning, and repair of uniforms; and arms and ammunition, \$34,557,000: *Provided*, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from air carriers, concessionaires, and non-Federal tenants sufficient to cover utility and fuel costs which are in excess of \$6,767,000: *Provided further*, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, or private sources, for expenses incurred in the maintenance and operation of the federally owned civil airports.

CONSTRUCTION, METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON AIRPORTS

For necessary expenses for construction at the federally owned civil airports in the vicinity of the District of Columbia, including purchase of fourteen buses, \$14,250,000, to remain available until September 30, 1986.

Aviation Insurance Revolving Fund

The Secretary of Transportation is hereby authorized to make such expenditures and investments, within the limits of funds available pursuant to section 1306 of the Act of August 23, 1958, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1536), and in accordance with section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended (31 U.S.C. 9104), as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for the current fiscal year for aviation insurance activities under said Act.

AIRCRAFT PURCHASE LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM

During fiscal year 1984, no commitments for guarantee of aircraft purchase loans under the Act of September 7, 1957, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1324 note), shall be made: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Transportation may hereafter issue notes or other obligations to the Secretary of the Treasury, in such forms and denominations, bearing such maturities, and subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe. Such obligations may be issued to pay any necessary expenses required pursuant to the guarantee issued under the Act of September 7, 1957, Public Law 85-307, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1324 note). The amount of such obligations when combined with the aggregate of all such obligations made during fiscal year 1983 shall not exceed \$175,000,000 by September 30, 1984. Such obligations shall be redeemed by the Secretary from appropriations authorized by this section. The Secretary of the Treasury shall purchase any such obligations, and for such purpose he may use as a public debt transaction the proceeds from the sale of any securities issued under the Second Liberty Bond Act, as now or hereafter in force. The purpose for which securities may be issued under such Act are extended to include any purchase of notes or other obligations issued under the subsection. The Secretary of the Treasury may sell any such obligations at such times and price and upon such terms and conditions as he shall determine in his discretion. All purchase, redemptions, and sales of such obligations by such Secretary shall be treated as public debt transactions of the United States.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

LIMITATION ON GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES

Necessary expenses for administration, operation, and research of the Federal Highway Administration, not to exceed \$200,000,000, shall be paid, in accordance with law, from appropriations made available by this Act to the Federal Highway Administration together with advances and reimbursements received by the Federal Highway Administration: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$38,650,000 of the amount provided herein shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the request for waiver of repayment of Federal funds for the withdrawn I-335 right of way in Minnesota meets the requirements of section 103(e)(5)(B) of title 23, United States Code, that it is for a public purpose and in the public interest to waive repayment of Federal funds, and the waiver is granted.

49 USC app. 1324 note.

MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY

For necessary expenses to carry out motor carrier safety functions of the Secretary, as authorized by the Department of Transportation Act (80 Stat. 939-940), \$13,020,000, of which \$600,000 shall remain available until expended and not to exceed \$1,601,000 shall be available for "Limitation on general operating expenses".

MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY GRANTS

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 402 of Public Law 97-424, \$8,000,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund and to remain available until September 30, 1987.

HIGHWAY SAFETY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses in carrying out provisions of sections 307(a) and 403 of title 23, United States Code, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended, \$8,500,000.

ACCESS CONTROL DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

Section 150(d) of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1978 is amended 23 USC 307 note. by striking out the period at the end thereof, and inserting the following: ": Provided, however, That sums shall not lapse until September 30, 1985.".

HIGHWAY-RELATED SAFETY GRANTS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION) (TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, section 402, administered by the Federal Highway Administration, to remain available until expended, \$9,738,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund: Provided, That not to exceed \$200,000 of the amount appropriated herein shall be available for "Limitation on general operating expenses": Provided further, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs, the obligations for which are in excess of \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 1984 for "Highway-related safety grants".

RAILROAD-HIGHWAY CROSSINGS DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

For necessary expenses of certain railroad-highway crossings demonstration projects as authorized by section 163 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, as amended, to remain available until ex- 23 USC 130 note. pended, \$15,000,000, of which \$10,000,000 shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund.

FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAYS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION) (TRUST FUND)

For carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, which are attributable to Federal-aid highways, including the National Scenic and Recreational Highway as authorized by 23 U.S.C. 148, not otherwise provided, including reimbursements for sums expended pursuant to the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 308,

49 USC app. 1651 note.

96 Stat. 2155. 49 USC app.

2302.

97 STAT, 459

\$11,600,000,000 or so much thereof as may be available in and

23 USC 104 note.

23 USC 144 note. 95 Stat. 1701. 96 Stat. 2119. 40 USC 818.

derived from the Highway Trust Fund, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That, (a) notwithstanding any other provision of law, the total of all obligations for Federal-aid highways and highway safety construction programs for fiscal year 1984 shall not exceed \$12,600,000,000, except that this limitation shall not apply to obligations for emergency relief under section 125 of title 23, United States Code, projects covered under section 147 of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1978, section 9 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1981, subsections 131 (b) and (j) of Public Law 97-424, section 118 of the National Visitors Center Facilities Act of 1968, section 320 of title 23, United States Code, or section 157 of title 23, United States Code.

(b) For fiscal year 1984 the Secretary of Transportation shall distribute the limitation imposed by subsection (a) by allocation in the ratio which sums authorized to be appropriated for Federal-aid highways and highway safety construction which are apportioned or allocated to each State for such fiscal year bears to the total of the sums authorized to be appropriated for Federal-aid highways and highway safety construction which are apportioned or allocated to all the States for such fiscal year.

(c) During the period October 1 through December 31, 1983, no State shall obligate more than 35 per centum of the amount distributed to such State under subsection (b), and the total of all State obligations during such period shall not exceed 25 per centum of the total amount distributed to all States under such subsection.

(d) Notwithstanding subsections (b) and (c), the Secretary shall— (1) provide all States with authority sufficient to prevent lapses of sums authorized to be appropriated for Federal-aid highways and highway safety construction which have been apportioned to a State, except in those instances in which a State indicates its intention to lapse sums apportioned under section 104(b)(5)(A) of title 23, United States Code;

(2) after August 1, 1984, revise a distribution of the funds made available under subsection (b) if a State will not obligate the amount distributed during the fiscal year and redistribute sufficient amounts to those States able to obligate amounts in addition to those previously distributed during that fiscal year giving priority to those States having large unobligated balances of funds apportioned under section 104 of title 23, United States Code, and giving priority to those States which, because of statutory changes made by the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 and the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1981, have experienced substantial proportional reductions in their apportionments and allocations; and

(3) not distribute amounts authorized for administrative expenses and the Federal Lands Highway Programs.

EMERGENCY RELIEF

Notwithstanding sections 125, 129, and 301 of title 23, United States Code, an additional \$20,000,000 shall be available from the Highway Trust Fund for the emergency fund authorized under section 125 of title 23, United States Code: Provided, That the Secretary shall give first priority to making funds available to repair or replace the Mianus Bridge on I-95 in Connecticut: Provided further, That the Federal funds provided herein shall not

96 Stat. 2097. 23 USC 101 note.

Mianus Bridge, I-95, Conn.

duplicate assistance provided by any other Federal emergency program, compensation received from Connecticut bridge insurance policies, or any other non-Federal source: Provided further, That regulations issued under section 125, title 23, United States Code, shall apply to the expenditure of such Federal funds: Provided further, That such funds shall not be available until the State of Connecticut enters into an agreement pursuant to section 105 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1978 which covers the Mianus Bridge. 92 Stat. 2692.

MIANUS BRIDGE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

For necessary expenses to help defray costs such as additional police and fire services and road repairs resulting from the Mianus Bridge collapse, \$1,000,000: *Provided*, That such sum shall be equally divided between and allocated to the towns of Greenwich, Connecticut, and Port Chester, New York.

RIGHT-OF-WAY REVOLVING FUND (LIMITATION ON DIRECT LOANS) (TRUST FUND)

During fiscal year 1984 and within the resources and authority available, gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans shall not exceed \$30,000,000.

Access Highways to Public Recreation Areas on Certain Lakes

For necessary expenses of certain Access Highway projects, as authorized by section 155, title 23, U.S.C., \$4,270,000.

WASTE ISOLATION PILOT PROJECT ROADS

For necessary expenses in connection with planning and design activities associated with the upgrading of certain highways for the transportation of nuclear waste generated during defense-related activites, not otherwise provided for, \$5,800,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided, however*, That these funds become availa-ble when construction of the Waste Isolation Pilot Project commences.

NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH

For expenses necessary to discharge the functions of the Secretary with respect to traffic and highway safety and functions under the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Savings Act (Public Law 92-513, as amended), \$78,000,000, of which \$21,884,000 shall be derived 15 USC 1901 from the Highway Trust Fund: *Provided*, That not to exceed note. \$33,070,000 shall remain available until expended, of which \$8,810,000 shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund.

HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION) (TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 402, 406, and 408, and section 209 of Public Law 95-599, 23 USC 401 note. to remain available until expended, \$118,000,000, to be derived from

23 USC 401 note.

the Highway Trust Fund: *Provided*, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs, the total obligations for which are in excess of \$100,000,000 in fiscal year 1984 for "State and community highway safety" authorized under 23 U.S.C. 402: *Provided further*, That none of these funds shall be used for construction, rehabilitation or remodeling costs or for office furnishings and fixtures for State, local, or private buildings or structures: *Provided further*, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs, the total obligations for which are in excess of \$37,950,000 for "Alcohol safety incentive grants" authorized under 23 U.S.C. 408: *Provided further*, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs authorized by section 209 of Public Law 95–599, as amended, the total obligations for which are in exceed \$4,990,000 shall be available for administering the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 402.

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

For necessary expenses of the Federal Railroad Administration, not otherwise provided for, \$11,680,000.

RAILROAD SAFETY

For necessary expenses in connection with railroad safety, not otherwise provided for, \$28,900,000.

RAILROAD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses for railroad research and development, \$16,225,000, to remain available until expended.

RAIL SERVICE ASSISTANCE

For necessary expenses for rail service assistance authorized by section 5 of the Department of Transportation Act, as amended, for Washington Union Station, as authorized by Public Law 97-125, and for necessary administrative expenses in connection with Federal rail assistance programs not otherwise provided for, \$25,094,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That none of the funds provided under this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of a program making commitments to guarantee new loans under the Emergency Rail Services Act of 1970, as amended, and that no new commitments to guarantee loans under section 211(a) of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973, as amended, shall be made: *Provided further*, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the acquisition, sale or transference of Washington Union Station without the prior approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: Provided further, That, of the funds available under this head, \$15,000,000 shall be available for allocation to the States under section 5(h)(2) of the Department of Transportation Act, as amended: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, a State may not apply for fiscal vear 1984 funds available under section 5(h)(2) until such State has

49 USC app. 1654. 40 USC 801 note.

45 USC 661 note.

45 USC 721.

49 USC app. 1654.

expended all funds granted to it in the fiscal years prior to the beginning of fiscal year 1979, other than funds not expended due to pending litigation: Provided further, That a State denied funding by reason of the immediately preceding proviso may still apply for and receive funds for planning purposes: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, of the funds available under section 5(h)(2), \$2,500,000 shall be made available for use under sections 5(h)(3)(B)(ii) and 5(h)(3)(C) of the Department of Transportation Act, as amended, notwithstanding the limitations set forth in section 5(h)(3)(B)(ii).

CONRAIL LABOR PROTECTION

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For labor protection as authorized by section 713 of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973 as added by section 1143 of the 45 USC 7971. Northeast Rail Service Act of 1981, \$20,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$4,000,000 shall be derived from the unobligated balances of "Rail labor assistance": Provided, That such sum shall be considered to have been appropriated to the Secretary under said section 713 for transfer to the Railroad Retirement Board for the payment of benefits under section 701 of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973, as amended: Provided further, That, for the purposes of section 710 of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973, as added by section 1143 of the Northeast Rail Service Act of 45 USC 797i. 1981, such sum shall be considered to have been appropriated under section 713 of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973 and counted against the limitation on the total liability of the United States: Provided further, That such sums as may be necessary shall be made available for necessary expenses of administration of section 701 of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973 by the Railroad Retirement Board.

ROCK ISLAND LABOR PROTECTION

For employee protection as authorized by the Rock Island Railroad Transition and Employee Assistance Act, as amended (45 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.), \$35,000,000.

NORTHEAST CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

For necessary expenses related to Northeast Corridor improvements authorized by title VII of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976, as amended (45 U.S.C. 851 et seq.), \$100,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the provisions of Public 45 USC 851 note. Law 85-804 shall apply to the Northeast Corridor Improvement 50 USC 1431. Program: Provided further, That the Secretary may waive the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 322 (c) and (d) if such action would serve a public purpose: Provided further, That all public at grade-level crossings remaining along the Northeast Corridor upon completion of the project shall be equipped with protective devices including gates and lights.

49 USC app. 1654.

45 USC 797.

GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, \$716,400,000, to remain available until expended, for operating losses incurred by the Corporation, capital improvements, and labor protection costs authorized by 45 U.S.C. 565: Provided, That none of the funds herein appropriated shall be used for lease or purchase of passenger motor vehicles or for the hire of vehicle operators for any officer or employee, other than the president of the Corporation, excluding the lease of passenger motor vehicles for those officers or employees while in official travel status: Provided further, That the Secretary shall make no commitments to guarantee new loans or loans for new purposes under 45 U.S.C. 602 in fiscal year 1984: Provided further, That the incurring of any obligation or commitment by the Corporation for the purchase of capital improvements not expressly provided for in an appropriation Act or prohibited by this Act shall be deemed a violation of 31 U.S.C. 1341: Provided further, That no funds are required to be expended or reserved for expenditure pursuant to 45 U.S.C. 601(e): Provided further, That none of the funds in this Act shall be made available to finance the rehabilitation and other improvements (including upgrading track and the signal system, ensuring safety at public and private highway and pedestrian crossings by improving signals or eliminating such crossings, and the improvement of operational portions of stations related to intercity rail passenger service) on the main line track between Atlantic City, New Jersey, and the main line of the Northeast Corridor, unless the Secretary of Transportation certifies that not less than 40 per centum of the costs of such improvements shall be derived from non-Federal sources: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the National Railroad Passenger Corporation shall not operate rail passenger service between Atlantic City, New Jersey, and the Northeast Corridor main line unless the Corporation's Board of Directors determines that revenues from such service have covered or exceeded 80 per centum of the short term avoidable costs of operating such service in the first year of operation and 100 per centum of the short term avoidable operating costs for each year thereafter.

ALASKA RAILROAD REVOLVING FUND

The Alaska Railroad Revolving Fund shall continue available until expended for the work authorized by law, including operation and maintenance of oceangoing or coastwise vessels by ownership, charter, or arrangement with other branches of the Government service, for the purpose of providing additional facilities for transportation of freight, passengers, or mail, when deemed necessary for the benefit and development of industries or travel in the area served and payment of compensation and expenses as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 8146, to be reimbursed as therein provided: *Provided*, That no employee shall be paid an annual salary out of said fund in excess of the salaries prescribed by the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, for grade GS-15, except the general manager of said railroad, one assistant general manager and five officers at not to exceed the salaries prescribed for members of the Senior Executive Service.

5 USC 5101 et seq.

RAILROAD REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT FINANCING FUNDS

The total commitments to guarantee new loans pursuant to sections 511 through 513 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Public Law 94-210), as amended, shall not 45 USC 831-833. exceed \$20,000,000 of contingent liabilities for loan principal during fiscal year 1984: Provided. That the Secretary of Transportation is authorized to issue to the Secretary of the Treasury notes or other obligations pursuant to section 512 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Public Law 94-210), as amended, in such amounts and at such times as may be necessary to pay any amounts required pursuant to the guarantee of the principal amount of obligations under sections 511 through 513 of such Act, such authority to exist as long as any such guaranteed obligation is outstanding: Provided further, That the amount of such notes or other obligations, when combined with the aggregate of all such notes or obligations issued during fiscal year 1983, shall not exceed \$150,000,000 by September 30, 1984.

REDEEMABLE PREFERENCE SHARES

The Secretary of Transportation is hereby authorized to expend proceeds from the sale of fund anticipation notes to the Secretary of the Treasury and any other moneys deposited in the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Fund pursuant to sections 502, 505-507, and 509 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Public Law 94-210), as amended, and section 803 of Public Law 95-620, for uses authorized for the Fund: Provided, That all unobligated balances in this account shall lapse at the end of fiscal year 1985.

ILLINOIS FEEDER LINE ASSISTANCE

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For a grant related to the acquisition and rehabilitation of the railroad feeder line as authorized by section 511 of the Rail Safety and Service Improvement Act of 1982, \$3,000,000, to be derived by 96 Stat. 2555. transfer from the unobligated balances of "Redeemable preference shares": Provided, That such grant shall contain terms requiring (1) the repayment of the full amount of the grant to the United States in the event of the cessation of service on such line within five years after the first operation of such service after receipt of such grant, and (2) a liquidation priority for the United States in the event of bankruptcy within such five-year period.

URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For necessary administrative expenses of the urban mass transportation program authorized by the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), 23 U.S.C. chapter 1, 23 USC 101 et in connection with these activities, including hire of passenger seq. motor vehicles and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$29,200,000.

45 USC 832.

45 USC 822 825-827, 829. 45 USC 821, 822 and note, 825.

Research, Development, and Demonstrations and University Research and Training

For necessary expenses for research and training, as authorized by the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), to remain available until expended, \$54,800,000: *Provided*, That \$51,450,000 shall be available for research, development, and demonstrations, \$2,000,000 shall be available for university research and training and not to exceed \$1,350,000 shall be available for managerial training as authorized under the authority of said Act.

FORMULA GRANTS

49 USC app. 1607a, 1614. For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of sections 9 and 18 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), \$2,388,592,200, to remain available until expended.

DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

Total obligations for grants under the contract authority authorized for fiscal year 1984 in section 21(a)(2)(B) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), shall not exceed \$1,225,000,000: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, total amounts of contract authority authorized for fiscal year 1984 in section 21(a)(2)(B) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, shall be available for obligation through fiscal year 1987: *Provided further*, That no funds shall be made available for the proposed Woodward light rail line in the Detroit, Michigan area until a source of operating funds has been approved in accordance with Michigan law: *Provided further*, That the Woodward line restriction shall not apply to alternatives analysis studies.

LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out section 21(a)(2) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), administered by the Urban Mass Transportation Administration, \$242,000,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended.

INTERSTATE TRANSFER GRANTS-TRANSIT

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 103(e)(4) related to transit projects, \$295,400,000, to remain available until expended.

WASHINGTON METRO

93 Stat. 1320.

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 14 of Public Law 96-184, \$250,000,000, to remain available until expended.

SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds

49 USC app. 1617.

and borrowing authority available to such Corporation, and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for the current fiscal year for the Corporation except as hereinafter provided.

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Not to exceed \$1,800,000 shall be available for administrative expenses which shall be computed on accrual basis, including not to exceed \$3,000 for official entertainment expenses to be expended upon the approval or authority of the Secretary of Transportation: Provided, That Corporation funds shall be available for the hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft, operation and maintenance of aircraft, uniforms or allowances therefor for operation and maintenance personnel, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902), and \$15,000 for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.

RESEARCH AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION

RESEARCH AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

For expenses necessary to discharge the functions of the Research and Special Programs Administration, for expenses for conducting research and development and for grants-in-aid to carry out a pipeline safety program, as authorized by section 5 of the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act of 1968 (49 U.S.C. 1674), \$20,200,000, of which \$8,200,000 shall remain available until expended.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, 5 USC app. \$26,795,000, of which \$900,000 shall be available only for necessary expenses of the Office of the Inspector General to augment the bid rigging investigative efforts currently underway.

TITLE II—RELATED AGENCIES

ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, as authorized by section 502 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, \$1,900,000.

29 USC 792.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the National Transportation Safety Board, including hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft;

services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the rate for a GS-18; uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902), \$20,858,000, of which not to exceed \$300 may be used for official reception and representation expenses.

CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Civil Aeronautics Board, including hire of aircraft; hire of passenger motor vehicles; services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901–5902); and not to exceed \$5,000 for official reception and representation expenses, \$18,400,000, for the period October 1, 1983 through August 1, 1984.

PAYMENTS TO AIR CARRIERS

For payments to air carriers of so much of the compensation fixed and determined by the Civil Aeronautics Board under section 419 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1389), as is payable by the Board, \$50,800,000, to remain available until expended and such amounts as may be necessary to liquidate obligations incurred prior to September 30, 1983, under 49 U.S.C. 1376 and 1389 and under Public Law 97-369, "Payments to air carriers".

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Interstate Commerce Commission, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, and not to exceed \$1,500 for official reception and representation expenses, \$60,000,000: *Provided*, That joint board members and cooperating State commissioners may use Government transportation requests when traveling in connection with their official duties as such: *Provided further*, That, of the funds available under this head, \$8,000,000 shall not be available for obligation until the Commission has published final rules updating its user fee program unless the Commission is precluded from meeting this requirement because of circumstances beyond its control.

PAYMENTS FOR DIRECTED RAIL SERVICE

None of the funds provided under this Act shall be available for the execution of programs the obligations for which can reasonably be expected to be in excess of \$5,000,000 for directed rail service under 49 U.S.C. 11125 or any other legislation.

PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION

OPERATING EXPENSES

For operating expenses necessary for the Panama Canal Commission, including hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902); not to exceed \$8,000 for official reception and represen-

96 Stat. 1778.

49 USC 10344 note.

tation expenses of the Board; operation of guide services; residence for the administrator; disbursements by the administrator for employee and community projects; not to exceed \$25,000 for official reception and representation expenses of the Administrator; and to employ services as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 3109); maintaining, improving, and altering facilities of other United States Government agencies in the Republic of Panama and facilities of the Government of the Republic of Panama for Panama Canal Commission use; and for payment of liabilities of the Panama Canal Company and Canal Zone Government that were pending on September 30, 1979, or that have accrued thereafter, including accounts payable for capital projects, \$409,662,000, to be derived from the Panama Canal Commission Fund: *Provided*, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from the Panama Canal Commission's capital outlays account for expenses incurred for supplies and services provided for capital projects and funds received from officers and employees of the Commission and/or commercial insurors of Commission employees for payment to other United States Government agencies for expenditures made for services provided to Commission employees and their dependents by such other agencies.

CAPITAL OUTLAY

For acquisition, construction, replacement, and improvements of facilities, structures, and equipment required by the Panama Canal Commission, including the purchase of not to exceed forty-six passenger motor vehicles of which twenty-one are for replacement only; to employ services authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 3109); for payment of liabilities of the Panama Canal Company and Canal Zone Government that were pending on September 30, 1979, or that have accrued thereafter; to improve facilities of other United States Government Agencies in the Republic of Panama and facilities of the Government of the Republic of Panama for Panama Canal Commission use, \$29,438,000, to be derived from the Panama Canal Commission Fund and to remain available until expended.

UNITED STATES RAILWAY ASSOCIATION

Administrative Expenses

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary administrative expenses to enable the United States Railway Association to carry out its functions under the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973, as amended, to remain 45 USC 701 note. available until expended, \$2,500,000, of which \$400,000 shall be derived by transfer from the unobligated balances of "Payments for purchase of Conrail securities" and of which not to exceed \$500 may be available for official reception and representation expenses.

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

INTEREST PAYMENTS

For necessary expenses for interest payments, to remain available until expended, \$51,663,569: *Provided*, That these funds shall be

93 Stat. 1320.

Panama Canal Commission, pay increase.

FAA personnel, dependents' school expenses. 20 USC 241 note.

Mass transit fare for elderly and handicapped. disbursed pursuant to terms and conditions established by Public Law 96-184 and the Initial Bond Repayment Participation Agreement.

TITLE III—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 301. During the current fiscal year applicable appropriations to the Department of Transportation shall be available for maintenance and operation of aircraft; hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; purchase of liability insurance for motor vehicles operating in foreign countries on official departmental business; and uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902).

SEC. 302. Funds appropriated for the Panama Canal Commission may be apportioned notwithstanding section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U.S.C. 1341), to the extent necessary to permit payment of such pay increases for officers or employees as may be authorized by administrative action pursuant to law which are not in excess of statutory increases granted for the same period in corresponding rates of compensation for other employees of the Government in comparable positions.

SEC. 303. Funds appropriated under this Act for expenditures by the Federal Aviation Administration shall be available (1) except as otherwise authorized by the Act of September 30, 1950 (20 U.S.C. 236-244), for expenses of primary and secondary schooling for dependents of Federal Aviation Administration personnel stationed outside the continental United States at costs for any given area not in excess of those of the Department of Defense for the same area, when it is determined by the Secretary that the schools, if any, available in the locality are unable to provide adequately for the education of such dependents and (2) for transportation of said dependents between schools serving the area which they attend and their places of residence when the Secretary, under such regulations as may be prescribed, determines that such schools are not accessible by public means of transportation on a regular basis.

SEC. 304. Appropriations contained in this Act for the Department of Transportation shall be available for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the rate for a GS-18.

SEC. 305. None of the funds provided under this Act for Formula grants shall be made available to support mass transit facilities, equipment, or operating expenses unless the applicant for such assistance has given satisfactory assurances in such manner and forms as the Secretary may require, and in accordance with such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, that the rates charged elderly and handicapped persons during nonpeak hours shall not exceed one-half of the rates generally applicable to other persons at peak hours: Provided, That the Secretary, in prescribing the terms and conditions for the provision of such assistance shall (1) permit applicants to continue the use of preferential fare systems for elderly or handicapped persons where those systems were in effect on or prior to November 26, 1974, (2) allow applicants a reasonable time to expand the coverage of operating preferential fare systems as appropriate, (3) allow applicants to continue to use preferential fare systems incorporating the offering of a free return ride upon payment of the generally applicable full fare where any such applicant's existing fare collection system does not reasonably permit the collection of half fares, and (4) allow applicants to define the eligibility of "handicapped persons" for the purposes of preferential fares in conformity with other Federal laws and regulations

governing eligibility for benefits for disabled persons.

SEC. 306. None of the funds appropriated in this Act for the Panama Canal Commission may be expended unless in conformance with the Panama Canal Treaties of 1977 and any law implementing those treaties.

SEC. 307. None of the funds provided in this Act may be used for planning or construction of rail-highway crossings under section 322(a) of title 23, United States Code, or under section 701(a)(5) or section 703(1)(A) of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 at the—

(1) School street crossing in Groton, Connecticut; and

(2) Broadway Extension crossing in Stonington, Connecticut. SEC. 308. None of the funds in this Act shall be used for the planning or execution of any program to pay the expenses of, or otherwise compensate, non-Federal parties intervening in regulatory or adjudicatory proceedings funded in this Act.

SEC. 309. None of the funds in this Act shall be used to assist, directly or indirectly, any State in imposing mandatory State inspection fees or sticker requirements on vehicles which are lawfully registered in another State, including vehicles engaged in interstate commercial transportation which are in compliance with Part 396— Inspection and Maintenance of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

SEC. 310. None of the funds contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 311. None of the funds in this Act shall be used to implement, administer, or enforce any regulation which has been disapproved pursuant to a resolution of disapproval duly adopted in accordance with the applicable law of the United States.

SEC. 312. (a) Neither the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating nor any other officer or employee of the United States shall approve any project or take any action which would interfere with the reasonable needs of navigation on the Columbia Slough, Oregon.

(b) For purposes of subsection (a) of this section, any bridge which is to be constructed across the Columbia Slough, Oregon, after the date of enactment of this section shall be deemed to provide for the reasonable needs of navigation on the Columbia Slough, Oregon, if such bridge provides at least thirty feet of vertical clearance Columbia River datum and at least eighty feet of horizontal clearance, as determined by the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating.

SEC. 313. (a) The City of Gadsden, Alabama, and its successors and assigns are hereby released from all the terms, conditions, reservations, and restrictions contained in the deed dated May 25, 1962, by which the United States conveyed certain real property to the city of Gadsden, Alabama, for airport purposes, insofar as such terms, conditions, reservations, and restrictions relate to the real property described in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) The real property to which the first subsection of this section applies is the real property located in Gadsden, Alabama, which was conveyed to the city of Gadsden, Alabama, by the United States by the deed dated May 25, 1962, and which is described as follows: Commence at the northeast corner of section 19, township 12 south,

Panama Canal Commission funds, treaty compliance.

Rail-highway crossings.

45 USC 851, 853.

Regulatory or adjudicatory proceedings.

Motor vehicles, State inspection fees or sticker requirements.

49 CFR Part 396. Fiscal year limitation.

Columbia Slough, Oreg., bridge construction.

Gadsden, Ala., real property conveyance. range 7 east, thence run south along the east line of section 19 a distance of 1,495.93 feet more or less to a point; thence deflect 90 degrees 04 minutes right and run in a westerly direction a distance of 1,038.85 feet more or less to a point, said point being the point of beginning; thence deflect 90 degrees 03 minutes right and run in a northerly direction a distance of 1,152.45 feet to a point, thence deflect 90 degrees 00 minutes right and run in an easterly direction a distance of 38.1 feet to a point; thence deflect 90 degrees 00 minutes left and run in a northerly direction a distance of 62.0 feet to a point; thence deflect 90 degrees 00 minutes right and run in an easterly direction a distance of 329.7 feet to a point; thence deflect 90 degrees 00 minutes left and run in a northerly direction a distance of 298.47 feet to a point on the south right-of-way line of Rabbit Town Road; thence deflect 80 degrees 43 minutes left and run in a westerly direction along the south right-of-way line of Rabbit Town Road a distance of 738.2 feet to a point; thence deflect 99 degrees 15 minutes left and run in a southerly direction a distance of 1,448.75 feet to a point; thence deflect 91 degrees 07 minutes left and run in easterly direction a distance of 81.0 feet to a point; thence deflect 91 degrees 30 minutes right and run in a southerly direction a distance of 185.2 feet to a point; thence deflect 89 degrees 28 minutes left and run in an easterly direction a distance of 279.08 feet to the point of beginning. Being a portion of the northeast quarter of section 19, and a portion of section 18, township 12 south, range 7 east, lying south of the Cherokee Indian boundary line in Etowah County, Alabama.

SEC. 314. The Congress intends and directs that the proposed rulemaking to adjust the annual passenger ceiling at Washington National Airport be held in abeyance for at least 60 days from the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 315. None of the funds provided in this Act for the Department of Transportation shall be used for the the enforcement of any rule with respect to the repayment of construction differential subsidy for the permanent release of vessels from the restrictions in section 506 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, until 60 days following the promulgation of any such rule.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the enforcement of any rule regarding the repayment of construction differential subsidy for the permanent release of vessels from the restrictions in section 506 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, shall be held in abeyance for at least 60 days from the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 316. The expenditure of any appropriation under this Act for any consulting service through procurement contract, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109, shall be limited to those contracts where such expenditures are a matter of public record and available for public inspection, except where otherwise provided under existing law, or under existing Executive order issued pursuant to existing law.

SEC. 317. No funds appropriated under this Act shall be expended to pay for any travel by the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration as passenger or crew member aboard any Department of Transportation aircraft to any destination served by a regularly scheduled air carrier: *Provided*, That this limitation shall not apply if no regularly scheduled carriers' flight arrives at the destination of the Administrator within 6 hours local time of the desired time of arrival: *Provided further*, That this limitation shall not apply to costs incurred by any flight which is essentially for the purpose of inspecting, investigating, or testing the operations of any

Washington National Airport, annual passenger ceiling. Vessels, construction differential subsidies.

46 USC app. 1156.

Consulting service contracts.

Air travel, limitation. aspect of the Federal Aviation Administration system designed to aid and control air traffic, or to maintain or improve aviation safety: *Provided further*, That this limitation shall not apply to costs incurred by any flight in Department of Transportation aircraft which is necessary in times of emergency or disaster, or for security reasons, or to fulfill official diplomatic representation responsibilities in foreign countries: *Provided further*, That written certifications shall be issued quarterly on all flights initiated in the previous quarter subject to this limitation and shall be made readily available to Congress and the general public.

SEC. 318. Section 120(j) of title 23, United States code, is amended by inserting after the word "Representatives" the following: ", and for funds allocated under the provisions of section 155 of this title and obligated subsequent to January 6, 1983,".

SEC. 319. None of the funds in this or any other Act shall be used by the Federal Aviation Administration for any facility closures or consolidations prior to December 1, 1983: *Provided*, That the Federal Aviation Administration shall, no later than October 1, 1983, submit to the appropriate committees of the congress a detailed, sitespecific, and time-phased plan, including cost-effectiveness and other relevant data, for all facility closure or consolidations over the next three years: *Provided further*, That, in the instance of any proposed closure or consolidation questioned in writing by the House or Senate Committees on Appropriations or by any legislative committee of jurisdiction, no such proposed closure or consolidation shall be advanced prior to April 15, 1984, in order to allow for the timely conduct of any necessary congressional hearings.

SEC. 320. Section 145 of Public Law 97-377, approved December 21, 1982, is amended (1) by designating the existing text thereof as subsection (a), and (2) by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(b) The amendment made by subsection (a) of this section shall be 5 effective as of 5 o'clock ante meridian eastern daylight time, ⁿ August 3, 1981.".

SEC. 321. (a) The Congress finds that-

(1) in this Nation there exist millions of handicapped people with severe physical impairments including partial paralysis, limb amputation, chronic heart condition, emphysema, arthritis, rheumatism, and other debilitating conditions which greatly limit their personal mobility:

(2) these people reside in each of the several States and have need and reason to travel from one State to another for business and recreational purposes;

(3) each State maintains the right to establish and enforce its own code of regulations regarding the appropriate use of motor vehicles operating within its jurisdiction;

(4) within a given State handicapped individuals are oftentimes granted special parking privileges to help offset the limitations imposed by their physical impairment;

(5) these special parking privileges vary from State to State as do the methods and means of identifying vehicles used by disabled individuals, all of which serve to impede both the enforcement of special parking privileges and the handicapped individual's freedom to properly utilize such privileges;

(6) there are many efforts currently underway to help alleviate these problems through public awareness and administrative change as encouraged by concerned individuals and na-

FAA facility closure or consolidation plans. Submittal to congressional committees.

Hearings.

5 USC 5546a.

5 USC 5546a note.

Handicapped parking. 23 USC 402 note. tional associations directly involved in matters relating to the issue of special parking privileges for disabled individuals; and

(7) despite these efforts the fact remains that many States may need to give the matter legislative consideration to ensure a proper resolution of this issue, especially as it relates to law enforcement and placard responsibility.

(b) The Congress encourages each of the several States working through the National Governors Conference to—

(1) adopt the International Symbol of Access as the only recognized and adopted symbol to be used to identify vehicles carrying those citizens with acknowledged physical impairments;

(2) grant to vehicles displaying this symbol the special parking privileges which a State may provide; and
(3) permit the International Symbol of Access to appear either

(3) permit the International Symbol of Access to appear either on a specialized license plate, or on a specialized placard placed in the vehicles so as to be clearly visible through the front windshield, or on both such places.

(c) It is the sense of the Congress that agreements of reciprocity relating to the special parking privileges granted handicapped individuals should be developed and entered into by and between the several States so as to—

(1) facilitate the free and unencumbered use between the several States, of the special parking privileges afforded those people with acknowledged handicapped conditions, without regard to the State of residence of the handicapped person utilizing such privilege;

(2) improve the ease of law enforcement in each State of its special parking privileges and to facilitate the handling of violators; and

(3) ensure that motor vehicles carrying individuals with acknowledged handicapped conditions be given fair and predictable treatment throughout the Nation.

(d) As used in this section the term "State" means the several States and the District of Columbia.

(e) The Secretary of Transportation shall provide a copy of this section to the Governor of each State and the Mayor of the District of Columbia.

SEC. 322. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the limitation on total obligations for Federal-aid highways and highway safety construction programs for fiscal year 1984 contained in title I of this Act shall be reduced by \$80,000,000.

SEC. 323. None of the funds appropriated by this Act or any other Act may be obligated or expended before October 15, 1983—

(1) to adopt, to issue, or to carry out a final rule or regulation, a final revision, addition, or amendment to regulations, or a final statement of policy based on any proposed rule, or regulation, any proposed revision, addition, or amendment to regulations, or any proposed statement of policy of which a notice was published in parts III-VI of the Federal Register on March 30, 1983 (48 F.R. 13,342 to 13,381) or in parts III through VI of the Federal Register on July 14, 1983 (48 F.R. 32,275 to 32,312); or

"State."

Copies to State Governors and D.C. Mayor.

Fiscal year limitation. 23 USC 104 note.

Office of Personnel Management regulatory proposals.

(2) to adopt, to issue, or to carry out any final rule or regulation, any final revision, addition, or amendment to a regulation, or any final statement of policy which effectuates the purposes of any proposed rule, regulation, revision, addition, amendment, or statement of policy referred to in clause (1). This Act may be cited as the "Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1984".

Short title.

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July 15, considered and passed Senate, amended.

Aug. 2, House agreed to conference report; concurred in certain Senate amendments and in others with amendments, and insisted on its disagreement to a Senate amendment.

Aug. 3, Senate agreed to conference report; concurred in certain House amendments, in another with an amendment, and receded from an amendment. House concurred in Senate amendment.

97 STAT, 475