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**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 30182; 23 U.S.C. 403

**Mike Brown,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Office of the Secretary of Transportation**

**Adjustment to Rail Passenger Transportation Liability Cap**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice details the adjustment made to the rail passenger transportation liability cap under section 11415 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act (December 7, 2015). As a result of the FAST Act, the rail passenger transportation liability cap is raised from \$200,000,000 to \$294,278,983.

**DATES:** This adjustment will go into effect 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information regarding this notice, please contact Stephanie Lawrence, Office of Policy and Planning, Federal Railroad

Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Mail Stop 20, Washington, DC 20590; Email: [stephanie.lawrence@dot.gov](mailto:stephanie.lawrence@dot.gov); Phone: (202) 493-1376; Fax: (202) 493-6333.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Notice:* The Department of Transportation is publishing the inflation adjusted index factors for the rail passenger transportation liability cap under 49 U.S.C. 28103(a)(2), as directed by section 11415 of the FAST Act. The index methodology ensures that the allowable awards to all rail passengers, against all defendants, for all claims, including claims for punitive damages, arising from a single accident or incident is based on current dollars and is adjusted for inflation from the \$200,000,000 cap that went into effect on December 2, 1997.

Under the FAST Act, the index is adjusted to the date of enactment of the FAST Act using the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Consumer Price Index-All Urban Consumers. The index is based on the month of the original liability cap and the last full month prior to the enactment of the FAST Act on December 7, 2015 (December 1997 to November 2015, the last available month of the monthly index). Thereafter, the FAST Act directs the Secretary to update the liability cap every fifth year after the date of the FAST Act's enactment. The table below shows the Index and inflator FRA used to calculate an inflation adjusted amount of \$294,278,983.

PASSENGER LIABILITY CAP INFLATION ADJUSTED INDEX AND INFLATION FACTOR

Month	Index	Inflator	Liability cap
December 1997 .....	161.30	1.00	\$200,000,000
November 2015 .....	237.34	1.47	294,278,983

The adjustment of the rail passenger transportation liability cap to \$294,278,983 shall be effective 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.

**Anthony R. Foxx,**

*Secretary of Transportation.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Departmental Offices; Interest Rate Paid on Cash Deposited to Secure U.S. Immigration and Customs; Enforcement Immigration Bonds**

**AGENCY:** Departmental Offices, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** For the period beginning January 1, 2016, and ending on March 31, 2016, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Immigration Bond interest rate is 0.14 per centum per annum.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments or inquiries may be mailed to Sam Doak, Reporting Team Leader, Federal Borrowings Branch, Division of Accounting Operations, Office of Public Debt Accounting, Bureau of the Fiscal Service, Parkersburg, West Virginia, 26106-1328. You can download this notice at the following Internet addresses: <http://www.treasury.gov> or <http://www.federalregister.gov>.

**DATES:** Effective January 1, 2016 to March 31, 2016.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Adam Charlton, Manager, Federal Borrowings Branch, Office of Public Debt Accounting, Bureau of the Fiscal Service, Parkersburg, West Virginia, 26106-1328, (304) 480-5248; Sam Doak, Reporting Team Leader, Federal Borrowings Branch, Division of Accounting Operations, Office of Public Debt Accounting, Bureau of the Fiscal Service, Parkersburg, West Virginia, 26106-1328, (304) 480-5117.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Federal law requires that interest payments on cash deposited to secure immigration bonds shall be "at a rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, except

that in no case shall the interest rate exceed 3 per centum per annum.” 8 U.S.C. 1363(a). Related Federal regulations state that “Interest on cash deposited to secure immigration bonds will be at the rate as determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, but in no case will exceed 3 per centum per annum or be less than zero.” 8 CFR 293.2.

Treasury has determined that interest on the bonds will vary quarterly and will accrue during each calendar quarter at a rate equal to the lesser of the average of the bond equivalent rates on 91-day Treasury bills auctioned during the preceding calendar quarter, or 3 per centum per annum, but in no case less than zero. [FR Doc. 2015–18545] In

addition to this Notice, Treasury posts the current quarterly rate in Table 2b—Interest Rates for Specific Legislation on the TreasuryDirect Web site.

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