

ties, except that such per diem rate shall not be greater than the comparable per diem operating cost per patient at the National Leprosarium, Carville, Louisiana."

Approved June 25, 1952.

Public Law 412

CHAPTER 461

June 25, 1952
[H. R. 5990]

AN ACT

To amend the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second proviso of subsection 201 (e) and the third proviso of subsection 201 (h) of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950 (64 Stat. 249), are both amended to read as follows: "*Provided further,* That the Administrator is authorized to lease real property required for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this subsection, but shall not acquire fee title to property unless specifically authorized by Act of Congress."

Approved June 25, 1952.

64 Stat. 1249.
50 USC app.
2281.

Public Law 413

CHAPTER 462

June 25, 1952
[H. R. 7340]

AN ACT

To amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act approved July 11, 1916 (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented, to authorize appropriations for continuing the construction of highways, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Federal-Aid Road Act approved July 11, 1916 (39 Stat. 355), and all Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$550,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and a like sum for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955.

The sum herein authorized for each fiscal year shall be available for expenditure as follows:

(a) \$247,500,000 for projects on the Federal-aid primary highway system.

(b) \$165,000,000 for projects on the Federal-aid secondary highway system.

(c) \$137,500,000 for projects on the Federal-aid primary highway system in urban areas.

The sums authorized by this section for each fiscal year, respectively, shall be apportioned among the several States in the manner now provided by law and in accordance with the formulas set forth in section 4 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1944, approved December 20, 1944 (58 Stat. 838).

Any sums apportioned to any State under the provision of this section shall be available for expenditure in that State for two years after the close of the fiscal year for which such sums are authorized, and any amount so apportioned remaining unexpended at the end of such period shall lapse: *Provided,* That such funds for any fiscal year shall be deemed to have been expended if a sum equal to the total of the sums apportioned to the State for such fiscal year is covered by formal agreements with the Commissioner of Public Roads for the improvement of specific projects as provided by this Act.

Federal-Aid
Highway Act of
1952.
23 USC 9a note.
Appropriation.

Apportionment.

SEC. 2. For the purpose of expediting the construction, reconstruction, and improvement, inclusive of necessary bridges and tunnels, of the national system of interstate highways, designated in accordance with the provisions of section 7 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1944 (58 Stat. 838), there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the additional sum of \$25,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and a like additional sum for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955. The sum herein authorized for each fiscal year shall be apportioned among the several States in the manner now provided by law for the apportionment of Federal-aid primary funds: *Provided*, That the Federal share payable on account of any project provided for by funds made available under the provisions of this section shall be determined in the same manner as now provided by law for projects on said Federal-aid primary system.

SEC. 3. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 23 of the Federal Highway Act (42 Stat. 218), as amended and supplemented, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated (1) for forest highways the sum of \$22,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and a like sum for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955; and (2) for forest development roads and trails the sum of \$22,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and a like sum for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955: *Provided*, That with respect to any proposed construction or reconstruction of a timber access road, advisory public hearings shall be held at a place convenient or adjacent to the area of construction or reconstruction with notice and reasonable opportunity for interested persons to present their views as to the practicability and feasibility of such construction or reconstruction: *And be it further provided*, That the appropriation herein authorized for forest highways shall be apportioned by the Secretary of Commerce for expenditure in the several States, Alaska, and Puerto Rico in accordance with the provision of section 3 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1950.

SEC. 4. (a) For the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of roads and trails, inclusive of necessary bridges, in national parks, monuments, and other areas administered by the National Park Service, including areas authorized to be established as national parks and monuments, and national park and monument approach roads authorized by the Act of January 31, 1931 (46 Stat. 1053), as amended, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$10,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and a like sum for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955.

(b) For the construction, reconstruction, improvement, and maintenance of parkways, authorized by Acts of Congress, on lands to which title is vested in the United States, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$10,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and a like sum for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955: *Provided*, That the limitation of \$13,000,000 on the cost of construction of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway prescribed by the Act of August 3, 1950 (64 Stat. 400), is hereby increased to \$14,500,000 and the additional sum of \$1,500,000 hereby authorized shall be available for contract immediately upon the passage of this Act.

(c) For the construction, improvement, and maintenance of Indian reservation roads and bridges and roads and bridges to provide access to Indian reservations and Indian lands under the provisions of the Act approved May 26, 1928 (45 Stat. 750), there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$10,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and a like sum for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955:

Additional ap-
propriation.

23 USC 60.

Federal share.

Forest roads.

23 USC 23.

23 USC 23 note.

National parks,
etc.

16 USC 8a-8c.

Baltimore-Wash-
ington Parkway.

Indian reserva-
tions.

25 USC 318a.

Provided, That the location, type, and design of all roads and bridges constructed shall be approved by the Commissioner of Public Roads before any expenditures are made thereon, and all such construction shall be under the general supervision of the Commissioner of Public Roads.

Nicaragua.

SEC. 5. Recognizing the mutual benefits that will accrue to the Republic of Nicaragua and to the United States from the completion of the road from San Benito to Rama in said Republic of Nicaragua, the construction of which road was begun and partially completed pursuant to an agreement between said Republic and the United States, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated \$2,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and a like sum for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, for the construction of such road, to be available until expended. No expenditure shall be made hereunder for the construction of said road until a request therefor shall have been received by the Secretary of State from the Government of the Republic of Nicaragua nor until an agreement shall have been entered into by said Republic with the Secretary of State which shall provide, in part, that said Republic—

Restrictions.

(1) will provide, without participation of funds herein authorized, all necessary right-of-way for the construction of said highway, which right-of-way shall be of a minimum width where practicable of one hundred meters in rural areas and fifty meters in municipalities and shall forever be held inviolate as a part of the highway for public use;

(2) will not impose any highway toll, or permit any such toll to be charged for the use of said highway by vehicles or persons;

(3) will not levy or assess, directly or indirectly, any fee, tax, or other charge for the use of said road by vehicles or persons from the United States that does not apply equally to vehicles or persons of such Republic;

(4) will continue to grant reciprocal recognition of vehicle registration and drivers' licenses in accordance with the provisions of the Convention for the Regulation of Inter-American Automotive Traffic, which was opened for signature at the Pan American Union in Washington on December 15, 1943, and to which such Republic and the United States are parties; or any other treaty or international convention establishing similar reciprocal recognition; and

(5) will maintain said road after its completion in proper condition adequately to serve the needs of present and future traffic.

61 Stat., Pt. 2,
p. 1129.

Survey and construction.

(b) The funds appropriated pursuant to this authorization shall be available for expenditure in accordance with the terms of this Act for the survey and construction of the said road from San Benito to Rama and for the survey but not for the construction of a road from Rama to El Bluff in the Republic of Nicaragua without being matched by said Republic, and all expenditures made under the provisions of this Act for materials, equipment, and supplies, shall, whenever practicable, be made for products of the United States or of the Republic of Nicaragua.

Inter-American Highway.

SEC. 6. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for cooperation with Central American Republics in the construction of the Inter-American Highway" approved December 26, 1941 (55 Stat. 860), as amended by section 11 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1950, approved September 7, 1950 (64 Stat. 785), there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, in addition to the sums heretofore authorized, the sum of \$8,000,000

for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and a like sum for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, to be available until expended, to enable the United States to cooperate with the Governments of the American Republics situated in Central America—that is, with the Governments of the Republics of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Panama—in the survey and construction of the Inter-American Highway within the borders of the aforesaid Republics, respectively. Not to exceed one-third of the appropriation authorized for each fiscal year may be expended without requiring the country or countries in which such sums may be expended to match any part thereof, if the Secretary of State shall find that the cost of constructing said highway in such country or countries will be beyond their reasonable capacity to bear.

SEC. 7. There is hereby authorized an emergency fund in the amount of \$10,000,000 for expenditure by the Commissioner of Public Roads, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal-Aid Highway Act, as amended and supplemented, after receipt of an application therefor from the highway department of any State, in the repair or reconstruction of highways and bridges on the Federal-aid highway systems, which he shall find have suffered serious damage as the result of disaster over a wide area, such as by floods, hurricanes, tidal waves, earthquakes, severe storms, landslides, or other catastrophes in any part of the United States. The appropriation of such moneys as may be necessary for the initial establishment of this fund and for its replenishment on an annual basis is hereby authorized: *Provided*, That, pending the appropriation of said sum, or its replenishment, the Commissioner of Public Roads may expend, from existing Federal-Aid highway appropriations, such sums as may be necessary for the immediate prosecution of the work herein authorized, such appropriations to be reimbursed from the appropriation herein authorized when made: *Provided further*, That no expenditures shall be made hereunder with respect to any such catastrophe in any State unless an emergency has been declared by the Governor of such State and concurred in by the Secretary of Commerce: *And provided further*, That the Federal share payable on account of any repair or reconstruction project provided for by funds made available under this section shall not exceed 50 per centum of the cost thereof.

SEC. 8. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 10 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1950 (64 Stat. 785) there is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the survey, construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of main roads through unappropriated or unreserved public lands, nontaxable Indian lands, or other Federal reservations the sum of \$2,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and a like sum for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, to remain available until expended.

SEC. 9. The Commissioner of Public Roads is authorized and directed to assist in carrying out the action program of the President's Highway Safety Conference and to cooperate with the State highway departments and other agencies in this program to advance the cause of safety on the streets and highways: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$150,000 shall be expended annually for the purposes of this section.

SEC. 10. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 6 of the Defense Highway Act of 1941 (55 Stat. 765), as amended, and section 12 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1950 (64 Stat. 785), as amended, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the additional sum of \$50,000,000 to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That whenever any project for the construction or improvement of a circumferential highway around a city or of a radial intracity route

Emergency fund.

42 Stat. 212.
23 USC 1.

Restrictions.

Federal reservations.

President's
Highway Safety
Conference.Access roads.
23 USC 106 and
note.

thereto submitted by any State, is certified by the Secretary of Defense, or such other official as the President may designate, as being important for civilian or military defense, such project may be constructed under the authorization in this section and in accordance with the conditions contained therein: *And be it further provided*, That with respect to any proposed construction or reconstruction of a timber access road under the authority contained in this section, advisory public hearings shall be held at a place convenient or adjacent to the area of construction or reconstruction with notice and reasonable opportunity for interested persons to present their views as to the practicability and feasibility of such construction or reconstruction.

23 USC 60-63,
21, 23c, 3a note •
16 USC 8b.

SEC. 11. All provisions of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1944, approved December 20, 1944 (58 Stat. 838); the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1948, approved June 29, 1948 (62 Stat. 1105); and the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1950, approved September 7, 1950, not inconsistent with this Act, shall remain in full force and effect.

Separability.

SEC. 12. If any section, subsection, or other provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Act and the application of such section, subsection, or other provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Effective date.

SEC. 13. That all Acts or parts of Acts in any way inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, and this Act shall take effect on its passage.

Short title.

SEC. 14. This Act may be cited as the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1952.

Approved June 25, 1952.