Public Law 87-98

July 21, 1961
[H. R. 6874]

AN ACT

To authorize appropriations to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for salaries and expenses, research and development, construction of facilities, and for other purposes.

NASA.
Appropriation authorization.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for the fiscal year 1962 the sum of $1,784,300,000, as follows:

(a) For "Salaries and expenses", $226,686,000.

(b) For "Research and development", $1,305,539,000.

(c) For "Construction of facilities", $252,075,000, as follows:

(1) Langley Research Center, Hampton, Virginia, $3,980,000.

(2) Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, California, $5,680,000.

(3) Lewis Research Center, Cleveland, Ohio, $3,590,000.

(4) Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Maryland, $9,212,000.

(5) Wallops Station, Wallops Island, Virginia, $6,313,000.

(6) Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, California, $3,642,000.

(7) Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, Alabama, $12,891,000.

(8) Atlantic Missile Range, Cape Canaveral, Florida, $49,583,000.

(9) Pacific Missile Range, Point Arguello, California, $998,000.

(10) At various locations, including those specified in subsection 1(c)(1)–1(c)(9), and including land acquisitions therefor, $146,186,000.

(11) Facility planning and design not otherwise provided for, $10,000,000.

(d) Appropriations for "Research and development" may be used (i) for any items of a capital nature (other than acquisition of land) which may be required for the performance of research and development contracts, and (ii) for grants to nonprofit institutions of higher education, or to nonprofit organizations whose primary purpose is the conduct of scientific research, for purchase or construction of additional research facilities; and title to such facilities shall be vested in the United States unless the Administrator determines that the national program of aeronautical and space activities will best be served by vesting title in any such grantee institution or organization. Each such grant shall be made under such conditions as the Administrator shall determine to be required to insure that the United States will receive therefrom benefit adequate to justify the making of that grant. None of the funds appropriated for "Research and development" pursuant to this Act may be used for construction of any major facility, the estimated cost of which, including collateral equipment, exceeds $250,000, unless the Administrator or his designee notifies the Committee on Science and Astronautics of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Aeronautical and Space Sciences of the Senate of the nature, location, and estimated cost of such facility.

(e) When so specified in an appropriation Act any amount appropriated for "Research and development" and for "Construction of facilities" may remain available without fiscal year limitation.

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(f) Appropriations other than "Construction of facilities" may be used, but not to exceed $20,000, for scientific consultations or extraordinary expenses upon the approval or authority of the Administrator and his determination shall be final and conclusive upon the accounting officers of the Government. Scientific consultations, expenses.

(g) The amount included for personnel security investigations in the sum authorized by section 1(a) in the discretion of the Administrator may be increased by not more than $2,000,000, but the aggregate sum provided by section 1(a) for salaries and expenses may not be exceeded by reason of any such increase. Personnel security investigations.

SEC. 2. Authorization is hereby granted whereby any of the amounts prescribed in subparagraphs (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), or (11) of subsection 1(c) may, in the discretion of the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, be varied upward 5 per centum to meet unusual cost variations, but the total cost of all work authorized under such subparagraphs shall not exceed a total of $252,075,000.

SEC. 3. Not to exceed 3 per centum of the funds appropriated pursuant to subsections 1(a) and 1(b) hereof may be transferred to the "Construction of facilities" appropriation, and, when so transferred, together with $30,000,000 of the funds appropriated pursuant to subsection 1(c) hereof, shall be available for expenditure to construct, expand, or modify laboratories and other installations at any location (including locations specified in subsection 1(c)), if (1) the Administrator determines such action to be necessary because of changes in the national program of aeronautical and space activities or new scientific or engineering developments, and (2) he determines that deferral of such action until the enactment of the next authorization Act would be inconsistent with the interest of the Nation in aeronautical and space activities. The funds so made available may be expended to acquire, construct, convert, rehabilitate, or install permanent or temporary public works, including land acquisition, site preparation, appurtenances, utilities, and equipment. No portion of such sums may be obligated for expenditure or expended to construct, expand, or modify laboratories and other installations until the Administrator or his designee has transmitted to the Committee on Science and Astronautics of the House of Representatives and to the Committee on Aeronautical and Space Sciences of the Senate a written report containing a full and complete statement concerning (1) the nature of such construction, expansion, or modification, (2) the cost thereof, including the cost of any real estate action pertaining thereto, and (3) the reason why such construction, expansion, or modification is necessary in the national interest. No such funds may be used for any construction, expansion, or modification if authorization for such construction, expansion, or modification previously has been denied by the Congress. Construction of laboratories, etc. Report to Committees of Congress.

SEC. 4. The Administrator is hereby authorized to transfer, with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, funds appropriated pursuant to this Act, to any other agency of the Government whenever the Administrator determines such transfer necessary for the efficient accomplishment of the objectives for which the funds have been appropriated. Not more than $20,000,000 of the funds authorized by this Act may be transferred by the Administrator under this section, and no transfer in excess of $250,000 shall be made under this section unless the Administrator has transmitted to the Committee on Aeronautical and Space Sciences of the Senate and to the Committee on Transfers to other agencies. Report to Committees of Congress.

Science and Astronautics of the House of Representatives a written statement concerning the amount and purpose of, and the reason for, such transfer, and (1) each such committee has transmitted to the Administrator written notice to the effect that such committee has no objection to that transfer, or (2) thirty days have passed after the transmittal by the Administrator of such statement to those committees.

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Public Law 87-99

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AN ACT

To equalize the provisions of title 38, United States Code, relating to the transportation of the remains of veterans who die in Veterans' Administration facilities to the place of burial.

Veterans.
Deceased members.
72 Stat. 1170.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 903(b) is amended to read as follows:

"(b) In addition to the foregoing, when such a death occurs in a State, the Administrator shall transport the body to the place of burial in the same, or any other State. For the purposes of this subsection the term 'State' includes the Canal Zone."

"State."

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Public Law 87-100

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[H. R. 4349]

AN ACT

To place Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps graduates (Regulars) in a status comparable with United States Naval Academy graduates.

Navy.
Reserve officers, status.
70A Stat. 424.
Repeal.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title 10, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(1) Section 6907 is repealed.

(2) The analysis of chapter 601 is amended by striking out the following item:

"6907. Officer candidate training program: officers other than naval aviators; retention or transfer to reserve."

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Public Law 87-101

July 21, 1961
[H. R. 2953]

AN ACT

To amend section 521 of title 38, United States Code, to provide that certain service shall be creditable for pension purposes.

Veterans.
Service credit.
73 Stat. 433.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 521(f) of title 38, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking out the word "or" at the end of paragraph (2);

(2) by striking out the period at the end of paragraph (3) and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon followed by the word "or"; and

(3) by adding a new paragraph (4) to read as follows:

"(4) for an aggregate of ninety days or more in two or more separate periods of service during more than one period of war."