"(4) a detailed analysis of the on-time performance of intercity rail passenger service operations assumed by the Corporation, together with such recommendations as the Secretary may deem advisable to eliminate delays in such intercity rail passenger service operations caused by freight train operations;

"(5) recommendations with respect to the establishment of the optimum intercity rail passenger service system as soon as possible after July 1, 1973, taking into account economic feasibility, requirements as to public convenience and necessity, and the ability of the Corporation to provide adequate service over the total system, which optimum system shall include recommended routes and discontinuances; and

"(6) recommendations with respect to the improvement of tracks and roadbeds on routes over which the Corporation operates intercity passenger trains.

"(c) Such report shall contain such additional recommendations as the Secretary may deem advisable to assist the Corporation in carrying out the purposes of this Act, including recommendations for legislative enactments or administrative actions which would enable the Corporation, after July 1, 1973, to discontinue more rapidly and efficiently those routes which do not meet the criteria recommended by the Secretary for the establishment of the optimum intercity rail passenger service system.

"(d) In carrying out the provisions of this section, the Secretary may use available services and facilities of other departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Federal Government with their consent and on a reimbursable basis.

"(e) Departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Federal Government shall exercise their powers, duties, and functions in such manner as will assist in carrying out the provisions of this section.".

Effective date.

SEC. 13. The amendments made by this Act shall be effective upon enactment.

Approved June 22, 1972.

Public Law 92-317

June 22, 1972
[H. R. 13034]

AN ACT

To authorize appropriations to carry out the Fire Research and Safety Act of 1968 and the Standard Reference Data Act, and to amend the Act of March 3, 1901 (31 Stat. 1449), to make improvements in fiscal and administrative practices for more effective conduct of certain functions of the National Bureau of Standards.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Commerce not to exceed $5,000,000 for fiscal year 1973, not to exceed $9,000,000 for fiscal year 1974, and not to exceed $10,500,000 for fiscal year 1975 to carry out the purposes of the Fire Research and Safety Act of 1968 (Public Law 90–259; 82 Stat. 34).

National Bureau of Standards. Certain programs. Appropriation authorization.

15 USC 278f note.

SEC. 2. There is authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Commerce not to exceed $3,000,000 for fiscal year 1973, not to exceed $4,500,000 for fiscal year 1974, and not to exceed $5,500,000 for fiscal year 1975 to carry out the purposes of the Standard Reference Data Act (15 U.S.C. 290–290f; 82 Stat. 339).

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SEC. 3. (a) The Act entitled "An Act to establish the National Bureau of Standards", approved March 3, 1901 (31 Stat. 1449), as amended, is further amended by adding the following section:

82 Stat. 35.
15 USC 271 *et seq.*

"SEC. 18. Appropriations to carry out the provisions of this Act may remain available for obligation and expenditure for such period or periods as may be specified in the Acts making such appropriations."

Teaching authority.
64 Stat. 371.
15 USC 272.

(b) Such Act is further amended by striking the period at the end of paragraph (19) of section 2, by inserting a comma in lieu thereof and by adding the following: "and including the use of National Bureau of Standards scientific or technical personnel for part-time or intermittent teaching and training activities at educational institutions of higher learning as part of and incidental to their official duties and without additional compensation other than that provided by law."

International organizations, service.
15 USC 273.

(c) Such Act is further amended by revising the first sentence of section 3 to read as follows: "The Bureau is authorized to exercise its functions for the Government of the United States and for international organizations of which the United States is a member; for governments of friendly countries; for any State or municipal government within the United States; or for any scientific society, educational institution, firm, corporation, or individual within the United States or friendly countries engaged in manufacturing or other pursuits requiring the use of standards or standard measuring instruments: *Provided*, That the exercise of these functions for international organizations, governments of friendly countries and scientific societies, educational institutions, firms, corporations, or individuals therein shall be in coordination with other agencies of the United States Government, in particular the Department of State in respect to foreign entities."

72 Stat. 1711.
15 USC 278d.

(d) Such Act is further amended by deleting in section 14 the figure "$40,000" and substituting in lieu thereof the figure "$75,000".

15 USC 278e.

(e) Such Act is further amended by revising section 15(b) to read as follows:

"(b) the care, maintenance, protection, repair, and alteration of Bureau buildings and other plant facilities, equipment, and property."

Repeal.

(f) That portion of the Act of April 29, 1926 (44 Stat. 356; 40 U.S.C. 14a) which relates to the National Bureau of Standards is hereby repealed.

Approved June 22, 1972.

Public Law 92-318

AN ACT

June 23, 1972
[S. 659]

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965, the Vocational Education Act of 1963, the General Education Provisions Act (creating a National Foundation for Postsecondary Education and a National Institute of Education), the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, Public Law 874, Eighty-first Congress, and related Acts, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Education Amendments of 1972".

Education Amendments of 1972.