classification of pesticides under the provisions of this Act and there­
after shall register all new applications under such provisions.
(2) After two years but within four years after the enactment of 
this Act the Administrator shall register and reclassify pesticides 
registered under the provisions of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, 
and Rodenticide Act prior to the effective date of the regulations 
promulgated under subsection (c) (1).
(3) Any requirements that a pesticide be registered for use only 
by a certified applicator shall not be effective until four years from 
the date of enactment of this Act.
(4) A period of four years from date of enactment shall be provided 
for certification of applicators.
(A) One year after the enactment of this Act the Administrator 
shall have prescribed the standards for the certification of 
applicators.
(B) Within three years after the enactment of this Act each 
State desiring to certify applicators shall submit a State plan 
to the Administrator for the purpose provided by section 4(b).
(C) As promptly as possible but in no event more than one 
year after submission of a State plan, the Administrator shall 
approve the State plan or disapprove it and indicate the reasons 
for disapproval. Consideration of plans resubmitted by States 
shall be expedited.
(5) One year after the enactment of this Act the Administrator shall 
have promulgated and shall make effective regulations relating to the 
registration of establishments, permits for experimental use, and the 
keeping of books and records under the provisions of this Act.
(d) No person shall be subject to any criminal or civil penalty 
imposed by the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, 
as amended by this Act, for any act (or failure to act) occurring before 
the expiration of 60 days after the Administrator has published effective 
regulations in the Federal Register and taken such other action as 
may be necessary to permit compliance with the provisions under which 
the penalty is to be imposed.
(e) For purposes of determining any criminal or civil penalty or 
liability to any third person in respect of any act or omission occurring 
before the expiration of the periods referred to in this section, the 
Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act shall be treated 
as continuing in effect as if this Act had not been enacted.
Approved October 21, 1972.

Public Law 92-517

AN ACT

To provide for acquisition by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority of the mass transit bus systems engaged in scheduled regular route operations in the National Capital area, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SHORT TITLE

Section 1. This Act may be cited as “National Capital Area Transit Act of 1972”.

STATEMENT OF FINDINGS AND PURPOSES

Sec. 2. The Congress finds that (1) an adequate and economically sound transportation system or systems, including bus and rail rapid
transit, serving the Washington metropolitan area is essential to commerce among the several States, and among such States and the District of Columbia, and to the health, welfare, and safety of the public;
(2) economies and improvement of service will result from the unification of bus transit and rail transit operations as well as from integration of bus transit facilities within the Washington metropolitan area;
(3) the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority is a body corporate and politic organized pursuant to interstate compact among the States of Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia, with the consent of Congress, to plan, develop, finance, and operate improved transit facilities in the Washington metropolitan area transit zone; (4) an appropriate solution to the current bus transportation emergency is public ownership and operation of bus transit facilities within the Washington metropolitan area; (5) the cost of such public ownership should be shared by the Federal and local governments in the Washington metropolitan area in accordance with the matching formula authorized by the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 (49 U.S.C. 1601–1612); and (6) to these ends it is necessary to enact the provisions hereinafter set forth.

TITLE I
CONSENT TO COMPACT AMENDMENT

Sec. 101. (a) The Congress hereby consents to amendments to articles XII and XVI of title III of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact (D.C. Code, sec. 1-1431 note) substantially as follows:
(1) Section 56 of article XII is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:
“(e) The Authority may acquire the capital stock or transit facilities of any private transit company and may perform transit service, including service by bus or similar motor vehicle, with transit facilities so acquired, or with transit facilities acquired pursuant to article VII, section 20. Upon acquisition of the capital stock or the transit facilities of any private transit company, the Authority shall undertake the acquisition as soon as possible of the capital stock or the transit facilities of each of the other private transit companies within the zone requesting such acquisition. Lack of such request, however, shall not be construed to preclude the Authority from acquiring the capital stock or the transit facilities of any such company pursuant to section 82 of article XVI.”
(2) Subsection (a) of section 82 of article XVI is amended by deleting “or by a private transit company” at the end of such subsection and by inserting in lieu thereof the following: “whenever such property cannot be acquired by negotiated purchase at a price satisfactory to the Authority”.
(b) The Commissioner of the District of Columbia is authorized and directed to enter into and execute on behalf of the District of Columbia amendments, substantially as set forth above, to title III of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact with the States of Virginia and Maryland.
ACQUISITION OF PRIVATE BUS COMPANIES OPERATING WITHIN THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA

Sec. 102. (a) Based on the findings set forth in section 2 of this Act, it is the sense of the Congress that the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (hereafter in this Act referred to as the "Transit Authority") should initiate negotiations as soon as possible with the ownership of D.C. Transit System, Incorporated (and its subsidiary, the Washington, Virginia, and Maryland Coach Company), the Alexandria, Barcroft, and Washington Transit Company, and the WMA Transit Company for acquisition by the Transit Authority of capital stock or facilities, plant, equipment, real and personal property of such bus companies of whatever nature, whether owned directly or indirectly, used or useful for mass transportation by bus of passengers within the Washington metropolitan area. It is further the sense of the Congress that representatives of the Transit Authority should participate in any labor contract negotiations undertaken prior to acquisition by the Transit Authority of such bus companies.

(b) The franchise to operate a system of mass transportation of passengers for hire granted to D.C. Transit System, Incorporated, by the Act of July 24, 1956 (70 Stat. 598) is hereby canceled, effective upon the date immediately preceding the date on which the Transit Authority acquires the transit facilities of D.C. Transit System, Incorporated.

(c) (1) The Transit Authority, and any transit company owned or controlled by the Transit Authority, may operate charter service by bus in accordance with title III of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact only between any point within the transit zone and any point in the State of Maryland or Virginia, or a point within 250 miles of the Zero Mile Stone located on the Ellipse.

(2) For the purposes of this subsection, the term "transit zone" means the area designated in section 3 of title III of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact.

(d) D.C. Transit System, Incorporated, a corporation of the District of Columbia, may—

(1) continue to exist as such a corporation and amend its charter in any manner provided under the laws of the District of Columbia;

(2) avail itself of the provisions of the District of Columbia Business Corporation Act in respect to a change of its name; and

(3) become incorporated or reincorporated in any manner provided under the laws of the District of Columbia.

Nothing in this Act shall be construed so as to cause or require the corporate dissolution of D.C. Transit System, Incorporated.
TITLE II

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AUTHORIZATIONS

SEC. 201. (a) The Commissioner of the District of Columbia is authorized to contract with the Transit Authority for payment to it of the District's share of the cost to the Transit Authority of acquiring—

(1) the private bus companies referred to in section 102(a) of this Act; and
(2) any rolling stock, real estate, or other capital resources required for the operation of bus service in the District of Columbia either at the time of acquisition of such bus companies or at some future time.

(b) Subsection (b) of the first section of the Act of June 6, 1958 (D.C. Code, sec. 9-220) (relating to the borrowing authority of the District of Columbia), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

"(5) Loans may be made under this subsection to carry out the purposes of section 210(a) of the National Capital Area Transit Act of 1972."

TITLE III

FINANCING

SEC. 301. The Transit Authority, for the purpose of effecting the acquisition of the mass transit bus system or systems as contemplated by this Act, together with such improvements or replacement of acquired equipment and facilities as may be found necessary or desirable by the Secretary of Transportation (hereafter in this title referred to as the "Secretary") in conjunction with such acquisition and within a reasonable time thereafter, not to exceed six months, is eligible for capital grant assistance pursuant to section 3 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964. For this purpose, the Transit Authority shall be considered a "local public body" within the meaning of that section and, accordingly, the Secretary may authorize and approve capital grant assistance to the Transit Authority in the maximum amount provided for in the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 toward the cost of acquisition of such bus system or systems, including the cost of improvements to or replacement of acquired equipment and facilities approved by the Secretary in conjunction with such acquisition. Such assistance shall be provided from funds available to the Urban Mass Transportation Administration of the Department of Transportation.

SEC. 302. (a) If the Secretary should determine that immediate action is urgently required to protect the public interest in the National Capital area, he may waive any or all provisions of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 (except section 13(c) thereof), and immediately grant to the Transit Authority from funds available to the Urban Mass Transportation Administration of the Department of Transportation such sums as are contemplated under section 301.
(b) The Secretary, after determining that immediate action is necessary in the public interest in accordance with subsection (a) of this section, may, in accordance with subsection (c) of this section, advance from funds available to the Urban Mass Transportation Administration of the Department of Transportation such funds as he determines to be necessary for payment to the Transit Authority to provide temporary financing for that portion of the cost of acquisition of the mass transit bus system or systems contemplated by this Act, together with associated improvements to or replacement of acquired equipment and facilities, which are not provided for by the Secretary pursuant to section 301 of this Act. For this purpose, such advance shall not be construed as a loan made under section 3 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964. Funds advanced pursuant to this section shall be considered as “other than Federal funds” within the meaning of section 4(a) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964. Funds advanced pursuant to this section shall be considered as “other than Federal funds” within the meaning of section 4(a) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964.

(c) The Secretary shall not advance funds under this section until he has determined that the Transit Authority has the capacity and ability to arrange for repayment of such advance in accordance with section 303 of this Act.

SEC. 303. The advance authorized under section 302(b) shall be repaid by the Transit Authority to the Urban Mass Transportation Administration of the Department of Transportation from contributions by the District of Columbia and other local government jurisdictions or from other non-Federal sources as may be available to the Transit Authority and which were not estimated to be available for financing the mass transit rail rapid system authorized by the National Capital Transportation Act of 1969. Repayment of such advance may be deferred by the Secretary of Transportation, at the request of the Transit Authority, but not beyond the end of the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the advance was made. Repayment shall be made with interest at a rate to be determined by the Secretary of the Treasury calculated in accordance with the formula set forth in section 3(c) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964. Principal and interest repaid pursuant to this section shall be credited to the Urban Mass Transportation Fund and shall be considered a restoration of obligational authority available to the Secretary under section 4(e) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964.

TITLE IV

SEC. 401. (a) The United States District Court for the District of Columbia shall have complete and exclusive jurisdiction over any proceedings by the Transit Authority for the condemnation of property, wherever situated, of D.C. Transit System, Incorporated (including its subsidiary, the Washington, Virginia, and Maryland Coach Company), the Alexandria, Barcroft, and Washington Transit Company, and the WMA Transit Company. Such proceedings shall be instituted and maintained in accordance with the provisions of this section and the provisions of subchapter IV of chapter 13 of title 16, District of Columbia Code, except that the court may appoint a commission in accordance with rule 71A (h) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in connection with the issue of compensation arising out of any such proceedings.

(b) Any such condemnation proceedings shall be commenced by the Attorney General of the United States, upon the request of the Transit Authority, after determining that immediate action is necessary in the public interest in accordance with subsection (a) of this section, and may advance from funds available to the Urban Mass Transportation Administration of the Department of Transportation such funds as he determines to be necessary for payment to the Transit Authority.
Authority, by filing with the United States District Court for the District of Columbia a complaint and declaration of taking containing a description of the land and other assets to be taken, together with a sum of money deposited with the registrar of such court in accordance with the applicable provisions of law set forth in subsection (a) of this section. Upon such filing and deposit, title to the possession of the assets described in any such complaint and declaration of taking shall pass to the Transit Authority and the value of the assets so acquired shall be determined as of that date.

(c) The trial of any such condemnation proceedings shall be a preferred cause and shall be commenced at the earliest date convenient to the court.

(d) Any proceeding brought by the Transit Authority under this section against the Alexandria, Barcroft, and Washington Transit Company shall be transferred, upon motion made by such Transit Company, to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, and such district court shall have, upon such transfer, complete and exclusive jurisdiction over such proceeding. Any action brought by the Transit Authority under this section against the WMA Transit Company, shall be transferred, upon motion made by the WMA Transit Company, to the United States District Court for the District of Maryland, and such district court shall have, upon such transfer, complete and exclusive jurisdiction over such proceeding.

TITLE V
AUDIT AND REVIEW

Sec. 501. The Comptroller General of the United States shall have access to all books, records, papers, and accounts of the Transit Authority, and any company with which the Transit Authority is conducting negotiations under this Act, and any company eligible to receive or receiving any funds authorized by this Act. The Comptroller General is authorized to inspect any facility or real or personal property of the Transit Authority or of such companies.

TITLE VI
ARLINGTON CEMETERY AND SMITHSONIAN STATIONS

Sec. 601. The National Capital Transportation Act of 1969, approved December 9, 1969 (83 Stat. 320) as amended, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"Sec. 13. (a) The Secretary of Transportation shall make payments to the Transit Authority in such amounts as may be requisitioned from time to time by the Transit Authority sufficient, in the aggregate, to finance the cost of designing, constructing, and equipping (1) a rail rapid transit station partially under Memorial Drive designed to serve the Arlington Cemetery with two entrances surfacing adjacent to the sidewalks north and south of Memorial Drive and east of Jefferson Davis Highway, and (2) an additional entrance in the vicinity of the northeast end of the Smithsonian Station surfacing on the Mall south of Adams Drive; except that the aggregate amount of such payments shall not exceed $7,385,000.

(b) There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Transportation, without fiscal year limitation, not to exceed $7,385,000 to carry out the purposes of this section. The appropriations authorized in this subsection shall not be subject to the provisions of this Act requiring contributions by the local governments and shall be in addition to the appropriations authorized by section 3(c) thereof."
Public Law 92-518

AN ACT

To amend the District of Columbia Teachers' Salary Act of 1955 to increase salaries, to provide certain revisions in the retirement benefits of public school teachers, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled:

TITLE I—SALARY INCREASES FOR DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TEACHERS AND SCHOOL OFFICERS

Sec. 101. This title may be cited as the "District of Columbia Teachers' Salary Act Amendments of 1972".

Sec. 102. (a) Section 1 of the District of Columbia Teachers' Salary Act of 1955 (D.C. Code, sec. 31-1501) is amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. The following is the salary schedule for teachers, school officers, and certain other employees of the Board of Education whose positions are covered under this Act: