Public Law 93-643

AN ACT

To authorize appropriations for the construction of certain highways in accordance with title 23 of the United States Code, 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 "Federal-Aid Highway Amendments of 1974."

HIGHWAY AUTHORIZATIONS

Sec. 101. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, the following sums are hereby authorized to be appropriated:

(1) For the Federal-aid primary system in rural areas, out of the Highway Trust Fund, an additional $100,000,000 for the fiscal year 1976. For the Federal-aid secondary system in rural areas, out of the Highway Trust Fund, an additional $50,000,000 for the fiscal year 1976. Sums authorized by this paragraph are in addition to the authorizations for fiscal year 1976 for these systems in section 104(a)(1) of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973.

(2) For control of outdoor advertising under section 131 of title 23, United States Code, $50,000,000 for the fiscal year 1975.

(3) For control of junkyards under section 136 of title 23, United States Code, $15,000,000 for the fiscal year 1975.

(4) For landscaping the scenic enhancement under section 319(b) of title 23, United States Code, $10,000,000 for the fiscal year 1975.

(5) Nothing in paragraph (1) or (6) of this section shall be construed to authorize the appropriation of any sums to carry out section 131, 136, 319(b), or chapter 4 of title 23, United States Code.

(6) For off-system roads under section 219, title 23, United States Code, $200,000,000 for the fiscal year 1976.

INDIAN RESERVATION ROADS AND BRIDGES

Sec. 102. (a) Paragraph (9) of subsection (a) of section 104 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 is amended to read as follows:

"(9) For Indian reservation roads and bridges, $83,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974, $84,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and $83,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976."

(b) The definition of the term "Indian reservation roads and bridges" in subsection (a) of section 101 of title 23, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"The term 'Indian reservation roads and bridges' means roads and bridges, including roads and bridges on the Federal-aid systems, that are located within or provide access to an Indian reservation or Indian trust land or restricted Indian land which is not subject to fee title alienation without the approval of the Federal Government, or Indian and Alaska Native villages, groups, or communities in which Indians and Alaskan Natives reside, whom the Secretary of the Interior has determined are eligible for services generally available to Indians under Federal laws specifically applicable to Indians."

(c) Section 208 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by relettering subsections (c) and (d) as (d) and (e), respectively, and adding a new subsection (c) as follows:

"(c) Before approving as a project on an Indian reservation road or bridge any project on a Federal-aid system in a State, the Secretary must determine that obligation of funds for such project is supplementary and not in lieu of the obligation, for projects on Indian..."
reservation roads and bridges, of a fair and equitable share of funds apportioned to such State under section 104 of this title."

(d) No funds appropriated under the expanded definition of this section shall be expended without the formal consent of the governing body of the tribe band or group of Indians or Alaskan Natives for whose use the Indian reservation roads and bridges are intended.

RURAL HIGHWAY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

Sec. 108. Section 147 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 is amended to read as follows:

"(a) To encourage the development, improvement, and use of public mass transportation systems operating vehicles on highways for transportation of passengers within rural areas and small urban areas, and between such areas and urbanized areas, in order to enhance access of rural populations to employment, health care, retail centers, education, and public services, there are authorized to be appropriated $15,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and $50,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, out of the Highway Trust Fund, to the Secretary of Transportation to carry out demonstration projects for public mass transportation on highways in rural areas and small urban areas. Projects eligible for Federal funds under this section shall include highway traffic control devices, the construction of passenger loading areas and facilities, including shelters, fringe and transportation corridor parking facilities to serve bus and other public mass transportation passengers, the purchase of passenger equipment other than rolling stock for fixed rail, and the payment from the General Fund for operating expenses incurred as a result of providing such service. To the extent intercity bus service is provided under the program, preference shall be given to private bus operators who lawfully have provided rural highway passenger transportation over the routes or within the general area of the demonstration project.

"(b) Prior to the obligation of any funds for a demonstration project under this section, the Secretary shall provide for public notice of any application for funds under this section which notice shall include the name of the applicant and the area to be served. Within sixty days thereafter, a public hearing on the project shall be held within the proposed service area."

DEMONSTRATION PROJECT—RAILROAD-HIGHWAY CROSSING

Sec. 104. Section 163 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 is amended by relettering subsection (a) as paragraph (a)(1) and adding the following new paragraph:

"(2) The Secretary of Transportation shall enter into such arrangements as may be necessary to carry out an engineering and feasibility study for a demonstration project in Lafayette, Indiana, for relocation of railroad lines from the central area of the city. There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this paragraph $360,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975."

TRANSPORTATION FOR ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED PERSONS

Sec. 105. (a) It is hereby declared to be the national policy that elderly and handicapped persons have the same right as other persons to utilize mass transportation facilities and services; that special efforts shall be made in the planning, design, construction, and operation of mass transportation facilities and services so that the availability to elderly and handicapped persons of mass transportation
which they can effectively utilize will be assured; and that all Federal programs offering assistance for mass transportation (including the programs under title 23, United States Code, the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, and this Act) effectively implement this policy.

(b) Subsection (b) of section 165 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 (87 Stat. 282) is amended to read as follows:

“(b) The Secretary of Transportation shall require that projects receiving Federal financial assistance under (1) subsection (a) or (c) of section 142 of title 23, United States Code, (2) paragraph (4) of subsection (e) of section 103, title 23, United States Code, or (3) section 147 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 shall be planned, designed, constructed, and operated to allow effective utilization by elderly or handicapped persons who, by reason of illness, injury, age, congenital malfunction, or other permanent or temporary incapacity or disability, including those who are nonambulatory wheelchair-bound and those with semiambulatory capabilities, are unable without special facilities or special planning or design to utilize such facilities and services effectively. The Secretary shall not approve any program or project to which this section applies which does not comply with the provisions of this subsection requiring access to public mass transportation facilities, equipment, and services for elderly or handicapped persons.”

VEHICLE SIZES AND WEIGHTS

Sec. 106. (a) Section 127 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by striking out “eighteen thousand pounds carried on any one axle, or with a tandem-axle weight in excess of thirty-two thousand pounds, or with an overall gross weight in excess of seventy-three thousand two hundred and eighty pounds,” and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “twenty thousand pounds carried on any one axle, including all enforcement tolerances; or with a tandem axle weight in excess of thirty-four thousand pounds, including all enforcement tolerances; or with an overall gross weight on a group of two or more consecutive axles produced by application of the following formula:

\[ W = 500 \left( \frac{LN}{N-1} + 12N + 36 \right) \]

where \( W \) = overall gross weight on any group of two or more consecutive axles to the nearest 500 pounds, \( L \) = distance in feet between the extreme of any group of two or more consecutive axles, and \( N \) = number of axles in group under consideration, except that two consecutive sets of tandem axles may carry a gross load of 34,000 pounds each providing the overall distance between the first and last axles of such consecutive sets of tandem axles is thirty-six feet or more: Provided, That such overall gross weight may not exceed eighty thousand pounds, including all enforcement tolerances.”.

(b) The first sentence of section 127 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by inserting immediately after “July 1, 1956,” the following: “except in the case of the overall gross weight of any group of two or more consecutive axles, on the date of enactment of the Federal-Aid Highway Amendments of 1974.”. The third sentence of such section is amended by striking out the period at the end thereof and inserting in lieu thereof a comma and the following: “except in the case of the overall gross weight of any group of two or more consecutive axles, on the date of enactment of the Federal-Aid Highway Amendments of 1974.”.
Sec. 107. (a) Chapter 1 of title 23 of the United States Code is amended by inserting after section 140 the following new section:

"§ 141. Enforcement of requirements

"Each State shall certify to the Secretary before January 1 of each year that it is enforcing all State laws respecting maximum vehicle size and weights permitted on the Federal-aid primary, the Federal-aid urban system and the Federal-aid secondary system, including the Interstate System in accordance with section 127 of this title, and all speed limits on public highways in accordance with section 154 of this title. The Secretary shall not approve any project under section 106 of this title in any State which has failed to certify in accordance with this section."

(b) The analysis of chapter 1 of title 23 of the United States Code is amended by striking out

"141. Real property acquisition policies."

and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"141. Enforcement of requirements."

Sec. 108. Paragraph (5) of subsection (g) of section 129 of title 23, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"(5) Such ferry may be operated only within the State (including the islands which comprise the State of Hawaii) or between adjoining States. Except with respect to operations between the islands which comprise the State of Hawaii and operations between any two points in Alaska and between Alaska and Washington, including stops at appropriate points in the Dominion of Canada, no part of such ferry operation shall be in any foreign or international waters.".

Sec. 109. (a) The first sentence of subsection (b) of section 131 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by inserting after "main traveled way of the system," the following: "and Federal-aid highway funds apportioned on or after January 1, 1975, or after the expiration of the next regular session of the State legislature, whichever is later, to any State which the Secretary determines has not made provision for effective control of the erection and maintenance along the Interstate System and the primary system of those additional outdoor advertising signs, displays, and devices which are more than six hundred and sixty feet off the nearest edge of the right-of-way, located outside of urban areas, visible from the main traveled way of the system, and erected with the purpose of their message being read from such main traveled way."

(b) Subsection (c) of section 131 of title 23, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"(c) Effective control means that such signs, displays, or devices after January 1, 1968, if located within six hundred and sixty feet of the right-of-way and, on or after July 1, 1975, or after the expiration of the next regular session of the State legislature, whichever is later, if located beyond six hundred and sixty feet of the right-of-way, located outside of urban areas, visible from the main traveled way of the system, and erected with the purpose of their message being read..."
from such main traveled way, shall, pursuant to this section, be limited to (1) directional and official signs and notices, which signs and notices shall include, but not be limited to, signs and notices pertaining to natural wonders, scenic and historical attractions, which are required or authorized by law, which shall conform to national standards hereby authorized to be promulgated by the Secretary hereunder, which standards shall contain provisions concerning lighting, size, number, and spacing of signs, and such other requirements as may be appropriate to implement this section, (2) signs, displays, and devices advertising the sale or lease of property upon which they are located (3) signs, displays, and devices advertising activities conducted on the property on which they are located, and (4) signs lawfully in existence on October 22, 1965, determined by the State, subject to the approval of the Secretary, to be landmark signs, including signs on farm structures or natural surfaces, of historic or artistic significance the preservation of which would be consistent with the purposes of this section.”

(c) Subsection (g) of section 131 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting the following in lieu thereof:

“Just compensation shall be paid upon the removal of any outdoor advertising sign, display, or device lawfully erected under State law.”

CONTROL OF JUNKYARDS

SEC. 110. Subsection (j) of section 136 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof:

“(j) Just compensation shall be paid the owner for the relocation, removal, or disposal of junkyards lawfully established under State law.”

ADVANCE CONSTRUCTION

SEC. 111. (a) Subsection (a) of section 115 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by striking out “including the Interstate System,” each of the two places it appears and inserting in lieu thereof at each such place the following: “other than the Interstate System,”.

(b) Section 115 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by redesignating subsection (b) as subsection (c) and by adding immediately after subsection (a) the following new subsection:

“(b) When a State proceeds to construct any project on the Interstate System without the aid of Federal funds, as that System may be designated at that time, in accordance with all procedures and all requirements applicable to projects on such System, except insofar as such procedures and requirements limit a State to the construction of projects with the aid of Federal funds previously apportioned to it, the Secretary, upon application by such State and his approval of such application, is authorized to pay to such State the Federal share of the cost of construction of such project when additional funds are apportioned to such State under section 104 of this title if—

(1) prior to the construction of the project the Secretary approves the plans and specifications therefor in the same manner as other projects on the Interstate System, and

(2) the project conforms to the applicable standards under section 109 of this title.”

DONATIONS

SEC. 112. Section 323 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by striking out “after he has been tendered the full amount of the estimated just compensation as established by an approved appraisal
of the fair market value of the subject real property,” and by inserting in lieu thereof the following: “after he has been fully informed of his right to receive just compensation for the acquisition of his property.”

**SPECIAL BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**

Sec. 113. Subsection (e) of section 144 of title 23, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“(e) For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this section, there are hereby authorized to be appropriated out of the Highway Trust Fund $100,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972, $150,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973, $25,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974, $75,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and $125,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, to be available until expended. Such funds shall be available for obligation at the beginning of the fiscal year for which authorized in the same manner and to the same extent as if such funds were apportioned under this chapter.”

**UNIFORM NATIONAL SPEED LIMIT**

Sec. 114. (a) Chapter 1 of title 23 of the United States Code, relating to highways, is amended by inserting at the end thereof a new section as follows:

“§ 154. National maximum speed limit

“(a) The Secretary of Transportation shall not approve any project under section 106 in any State which has (1) a maximum speed limit on any public highway within its jurisdiction in excess of fifty-five miles per hour, or (2) a speed limit on any other portion of a public highway within its jurisdiction which is not uniformly applicable to all types of motor vehicles using such portion of highway, if on November 1, 1973, such portion of highway had a speed limit which was uniformly applicable to all types of motor vehicles using it. A lower speed limit may be established for any vehicle operating under a special permit because of any weight or dimension of such vehicle, including any load thereon. Clause (2) of this subsection shall not apply to any portion of a highway during such time that the condition of the highway, weather, an accident, or other condition creates a temporary hazard to the safety of traffic on such portion of a highway.

“(b) As used in this section the term ‘motor vehicle’ means any vehicle driven or drawn by mechanical power manufactured primarily for use on public highways, except any vehicle operated exclusively on a rail or rails.

“(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 120 sums apportioned to any State under section 104 shall be available to pay the entire cost of any modification of the signing of the Federal-aid highways for which such sums are apportioned within such State due to a reduction in speed limits to conserve fuel if such change in signing occurs or has occurred after November 1, 1973.

“(d) The requirements of this section shall be deemed complied with by administrative action lawfully taken by the Governor or other appropriate State official that complies with this section.”

(b) The analysis of such chapter 1 is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following:


(c) Section 2 of the Emergency Highway Energy Conservation Act is repealed.
SEC. 115. (a) Chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code, is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"§ 155. Access highways to public recreation areas on certain lakes

(a) The Secretary is authorized to construct or reconstruct access highways to public recreation areas on lakes in order to accommodate present and projected traffic density. The Secretary shall develop guidelines and standards for the designation of routes and the allocation of funds for the purpose of this section which shall include the following criteria:

(1) No portion of any access highway constructed or reconstructed under this section shall exceed thirty-five miles in length nor shall any portion of such highway be located more than thirty-five miles from the nearest part of such recreation area.

(2) Routes shall be designated by the Secretary on the recommendation of the State and responsible local officials, after consultation with the head of the Federal agency (if any) having jurisdiction over the public recreation area involved.

(b) The Federal share payable on account of any project authorized pursuant to this section shall not exceed 70 per centum of the cost of construction or reconstruction of such project.

(c) All of the provisions of this title applicable to highways on the Federal-aid system (other than the Interstate System) determined appropriate by the Secretary, except those provisions which the Secretary determines are inconsistent with this section, shall apply to any highway designated under this section which is not a part of the Federal-aid system when so designated.

(d) For the purpose of this section the term 'lake' means any lake, reservoir, pool, or other body of water resulting from the construction of any lock, dam, or similar structure by the Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army, or the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, or the Tennessee Valley Authority, and any multipurpose lake resulting from construction assistance of the Soil Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture. This section shall apply to lakes heretofore or hereafter constructed or authorized for construction.

(e) There is authorized to be appropriated not to exceed $25,000,000 for the fiscal year 1976 to carry out this section. Amounts authorized by this subsection for a fiscal year shall be available for that fiscal year and for the two succeeding fiscal years."

(b) The analysis of chapter 1 of title 23 of the United States Code is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"155. Access highways to public recreation areas on certain lakes."

AUBURN BRIDGE

SEC. 116. (a) In order to provide access between the historical portion of the city of Auburn, California, Auburn District Fairgrounds, city park and parking lots, and the Auburn Dam Overlook area, for motor vehicles and for passage of pedestrians, equestrians, and cyclists under a highway relocation, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to construct, in lieu of a drainage culvert, an intermediate size bridge across a shallow ravine. The bridge, at approximate stations 154+46 to 155+30 (84 feet), shall be part of the State Highway Number 49 relocation through the city of Auburn, California.
(b) Upon completion such bridge shall be transferred to the State of California for operation and maintenance as a part of the highway relocation. The cost of the bridge, less the original planned drainage culvert, shall be considered as nonreimbursable.

c) There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section the sum of $250,000 (October 1974 price levels) plus or minus such amounts as may be justified by changes in price indexes applicable to the type of development involved herein.

NORTHEAST CORRIDOR DEMONSTRATION-RAIL CROSSINGS

SEC. 117. Subsection (a) of section 322 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following:

"The Secretary may permit selected individual public crossings of unusually low-potential hazard to remain at ground level, if they are provided with the best available protection."

OVERSEAS HIGHWAY

SEC. 118. (a) The Secretary is authorized to undertake projects for the reconstruction or replacement of bridge structures of a two-lane nature on the Overseas Highway, to Key West, Florida. The Federal share payable on account of such projects shall not exceed 70 per centum of the costs of such reconstruction or replacement.

(b) There are authorized to be appropriated, out of the Highway Trust Fund, not to exceed $109,200,000, to carry out such projects. Such sums shall be available until expended except that of the funds authorized under this section only $10,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and $15,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, can be obligated.

BIKEWAY DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

SEC. 119. (a) For the purpose of this section the term—

(1) "bikeway" means a bicycle lane or path, or support facility, a bicycle traffic control device, a shelter, or a parking facility to serve bicycles and persons using bicycles;

(2) "State" means any one of the fifty States, the District of Columbia, or Puerto Rico.

(b) (1) The Secretary is authorized to make grants to States for demonstration projects for the construction of bikeways. Such bikeways shall be for commuting and for recreational purposes and shall be located in urbanized areas and such other urban areas as are designated by the State highway department under subsection 103(d) of title 23, United States Code.

(2) The Federal share of any demonstration project for the construction of a bikeway shall be 80 per centum of the total cost of such project. The remaining 20 per centum of such cost shall be paid by the grantee.

(3) No grant shall be made under authority of this Act unless such bikeway project is in accordance with continuing comprehensive transportation planning process carried on cooperatively by States and local communities in accordance with section 134 of title 23, United States Code.

(4) The Secretary shall establish, by regulation, construction standards for bikeway projects for which grants are authorized by this Act, and shall establish, by regulation, such other requirements as may be necessary to carry out this Act.
(c) Grants made under this Act shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any sums available for bicycle projects under section 217 of title 23, United States Code.

(d) There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section $10,000,000 for the fiscal year 1976.

EXTENSION OF CARPOOLS

SEC. 120. (a) The last sentence of section 3(d) of the Emergency Highway Energy Conservation Act (Public Law 93-239) is amended by striking out “December 31, 1974” and inserting in lieu thereof “December 31, 1975”.

(b) The Secretary of Transportation is authorized to make grants for demonstration projects designed to encourage the use of carpoools in urban areas. Such a project may include, but not be limited to, such measures as systems for locating potential riders and informing them of convenient carpool opportunities, designating existing highway lanes as preferential carpool highway lanes or shared bus and carpool lanes, providing related traffic control devices, and designating existing publicly owned facilities for use as preferential parking for carpoools. There is authorized to be appropriated not to exceed $7,500,000 to carry out this subsection.

SAFER ROADS PROGRAM

SEC. 121. The first sentence of subsection (c) of section 405 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by striking the word “and” after “crossings,” and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “the correction of high-hazard locations, and”.

OFF-SYSTEM ROADS

SEC. 122. (a) Chapter 2 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

“§ 219. Off-system roads

“(a) The Secretary is authorized to make grants to States for projects for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of any off-system road (including, but not limited to, the replacement of bridges, the elimination of high-hazard locations, and roadside obstacles).

“(b) On or before January 1 next preceding the commencement of each fiscal year the Secretary shall apportion the sums authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section among the several States as follows:

“(1) one-third in the ratio which the area of each State bears to the total area of all States;

“(2) one-third in the ratio which the population of rural areas of each State bears to the total population of rural areas of all the States; and

“(3) one-third in the ratio in which the off-system road mileage of each State bears to the total off-system road mileage of all the States. Off-system road mileage as used in this subsection shall be determined as of the end of the calendar year preceding the year in which the funds are apportioned and shall be certified to by the Governor of the State and subject to approval by the Secretary.

“(c) Sums appropriated to a State under this section shall be made available for expenditures in the counties of such State on a fair and equitable basis.
“(d) Sums apportioned under this section and programs and projects under this section shall be subject to all of the provisions of chapter 1 of this title applicable to highways on the Federal-aid secondary system except the formula for apportionment, the requirement that these roads be on the Federal-aid system, and those other provisions determined by the Secretary to be inconsistent with this section. The Secretary is not authorized to determine as inconsistent with this section any provision relating to the obligation and availability of funds.

“(e) As used in this section the term ‘off-system road’ means any toll-free road (including bridges) in a rural area, which road is not on any Federal-aid system and which is under the jurisdiction of and maintained by a public authority and open to public travel.”.

(b) The analysis of chapter 2, title 23, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

“219. Off-system roads.”

BRIDGES ON FEDERAL DAMS

SEC. 123. (a) Section 320(d) of title 23 of the United States Code (as amended) is amended by striking out “$25,261,000” and inserting in lieu thereof “$27,761,000”.

(b) All sums appropriated under authority of the increased authorization established by the amendment made by subsection (a) of this section shall be available for expenditure in the same manner and for the same purpose as provided for in subsection (b) of section 116 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1970 (Public Law 91–605).

DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

SEC. 124. The Secretary of Transportation shall carry out a demonstration project for construction of a high-density urban highway intermodal transportation connection between Franklin Avenue and Fifty-ninth Street, South, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Federal share of such project shall be 90 per centum of the cost thereof. Such highway shall be placed on a Federal-aid system before any funds are expended under this section. There is authorized to be appropriated, out of the Highway Trust Fund, not to exceed $53,000,000 to carry out this section, except that not to exceed $10,000,000 for the fiscal year 1975, and $15,000,000 for the fiscal year 1976, shall be expended to carry out this section.

ROUTE WITHDRAWALS

SEC. 125. (a) Section 103(e)(2) of title 23 of the United States Code is amended by striking out the period following “House Report Numbered 92–1443” and inserting in lieu thereof a comma and the following: “increased or decreased, as the case may be, as determined by the Secretary, based on changes in construction costs of such route or portion thereof as of the date of withdrawal of approval under this paragraph and in accordance with that design of such route or portion thereof which is the basis of such 1972 cost estimate.”

(b) Section 103(e)(4) of title 23 of the United States Code is amended by striking out the period following “House Report Numbered 92–1443” and inserting in lieu thereof a comma and the following: “increased or decreased, as the case may be, as determined by the Secretary, based on changes in construction costs of such route or portion thereof as of the date of withdrawal of approval under this paragraph and in accordance with that design of such route or portion thereof which is the basis of such 1972 cost estimate.”
SCHOOL BUS DRIVER TRAINING

SEC. 126. (a) Chapter 4 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"§ 406. School bus driver training

"(a) The Secretary is authorized to make grants to the States for the purpose of carrying out State programs approved by him of driver education and training for persons driving school buses.

"(b) A State program under this section shall be approved by the Secretary if such program—

"(1) provides for the establishment and enforcement of qualifications for persons driving school buses;

"(2) provides for initial education and training and for refresher courses;

"(3) provides for periodic reports to the Secretary on the results of such program; and

"(4) includes persons driving publicly operated, and persons driving privately operated, school buses.

"(b) Not less than $7,500,000 of the sums authorized to carry out section 402 of this title for fiscal year 1976 shall be obligated to carry out this section. Such sums shall be apportioned among the States in accordance with the formula established under subsection (c) of section 402 of this title. The Federal share payable on account of any project to carry out a program under this title shall not exceed 70 per centum of the cost of the project."

Approved January 4, 1975.

Public Law 93-644

AN ACT

To provide for the extension of Headstart, community action, community economic development, and other programs under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, to provide for increased involvement of State and local governments in anti-poverty efforts, 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 "Headstart, Economic Opportunity, and Community Partnership Act of 1974".

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

SEC. 2. It is the purpose of this Act to extend programs under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, including Headstart, community action, and community economic development programs; and to provide for increased involvement of State and local governments in anti-poverty efforts by authorizing a community partnership program.