Public Law 95-244
95th Congress

An Act

Mar. 14, 1978
[S. 2076]

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to make payments to appropriate school districts to assist in providing educational facilities and services for persons living within or near the Grand Canyon National Park on nontaxable Federal lands, and for other purposes.

Grand Canyon National Park, Ariz.
Financial assistance to the Grand Canyon Unified School District.
20 USC 238 note.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the Secretary of the Interior (hereafter referred to as the "Secretary") is authorized for the two-year period commencing October 1, 1978, and ending September 30, 1980 to make payments to reimburse the appropriate school district or districts (hereafter referred to as the "districts") for educational facilities and services (including, where appropriate, transportation to and from school) incurred by said districts in providing educational benefits to pupils living at or near the Grand Canyon National Park upon real property owned by the United States which is not subject to taxation by State or local agencies: *Provided*, That the payments for any school year to said districts shall not exceed that part of the cost of operating and maintaining such facilities and providing such services which the number of pupils as defined above bears to the whole number of pupils in average daily attendance within said districts for that year.

Cooperative agreements with State or local agencies.

(b) If in the opinion of the Secretary of the Interior, the aforesaid educational facilities and services cannot be provided adequately and payment made therefor on a pro rata basis, as prescribed in subsection (a), the Secretary of the Interior may enter into cooperative agreements with State or local agencies for (1) the operation of school facilities, (2) for the construction and expansion of educational facilities at Federal expense, and (3) for contribution by the Federal Government, on an equitable basis satisfactory to the Secretary, to cover the increased cost to local agencies for providing the educational services required for the purposes of this section: *Provided*, That authority to make payments under this subsection shall be effective only to such extent or in such amounts as are provided in advance in appropriation Acts.

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(c) The Secretary shall submit an annual estimate of the anticipated payments which may be made in accordance with the provisions of this Act to the Committees on Appropriations of the United States Senate and House of Representatives. There are authorized to be appropriated an amount not to exceed $1,500,000 for fiscal year 1979 and an amount not to exceed $1,500,000 for fiscal year 1980 to carry out the provisions of this Act: *Provided*, That any appropriations made pursuant to this Act shall be reduced by the amount of any payments made to said districts pursuant to the Acts of September 23, 1950 (64 Stat. 906), as amended (20 U.S.C. 631 et seq.), and September 30, 1950 (64 Stat. 1100), as amended (20 U.S.C. 236 et seq.). Any amount appropriated pursuant to this Act for any fiscal year shall remain available until expended.

Annual estimated payments; submittal to congressional committees. Appropriation authorization.

Approved March 14, 1978.

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