Public Law 96–131
96th Congress

An Act

Making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1980, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1980, and for other purposes, namely:

TITLE I
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, including not to exceed $27,000 for allocation within the Department for official reception and representation expenses as the Secretary may determine, $34,768,000.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING, RESEARCH, AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses for conducting transportation planning, research, and development activities, including the collection of national transportation statistics, to remain available until expended, $9,075,000.

LIMITATION ON WORKING CAPITAL FUND

Necessary expenses for operating costs and capital outlays of the Department of Transportation Working Capital Fund not to exceed $64,383,000 shall be paid, in accordance with law, from appropriations made available by this Act and prior appropriation Acts to the Department of Transportation together with advances and reimbursements received by the Department of Transportation.

COAST GUARD

OPERATING EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the operation and maintenance of the Coast Guard, not otherwise provided for; purchase of not to exceed eleven passenger motor vehicles, for replacement only; and recreation and welfare; $1,042,585,000 of which $224,218 shall be applied to Capehart Housing debt reduction: Provided, That the number of aircraft on hand at any one time shall not exceed one hundred and

14 USC 92 note.
seventy-nine exclusive of planes and parts stored to meet future attrition: Provided further, That none of these funds appropriated in this or any other Act shall be available for pay or administrative expenses in connection with shipping commissioners in the United States.

ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, AND IMPROVEMENTS

For necessary expenses of acquisition, construction, rebuilding, and improvement of aids to navigation, shore facilities, vessels, and aircraft, including equipment related thereto; to remain available until September 30, 1982, $286,011,000.

ALTERATION OF BRIDGES

For necessary expenses for alteration or removal of obstructive bridges; $7,650,000, to remain available until expended.

RETIRED PAY

For retired pay, including the payment of obligations therefor otherwise chargeable to lapsed appropriations for this purpose, and payments under the Retired Serviceman’s Family Protection and Survivor Benefit Plans; $198,500,000.

RESERVE TRAINING

For all necessary expenses for the Coast Guard Reserve, as authorized by law; maintenance and operation of facilities; and supplies, equipment, and services; $41,255,000.

RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for basic and applied scientific research, development, test, and evaluation; maintenance, rehabilitation, lease, and operation of facilities and equipment, as authorized by law; $22,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from State and local governments, other public authorities, private sources and foreign countries for expenses incurred for research, development, testing and evaluation.

OFFSHORE OIL POLLUTION COMPENSATION FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of title III of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act Amendments of 1978 (Public Law 95-372), such sums as may be necessary to be derived from the Offshore Oil Pollution Compensation Fund, to remain available until expended. In addition, the Secretary of Transportation is authorized to issue to the Secretary of the Treasury, to meet the obligations of the Fund, notes or other obligations pursuant to section 302 of the Amendments in such amounts and at such times as may be necessary.

POLLUTION FUND

For carrying out the provisions of subsections (c), (d), (i), and (l) of section 311 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, 33 U.S.C. 1321, $10,000,000 to remain available until expended.
For necessary expenses of the Federal Aviation Administration, not otherwise provided for, including administrative expenses for research and development and for establishment of air navigation facilities, and carrying out the provisions of the Airport and Airway Development Act; purchase of five passenger motor vehicles for replacement only and purchase and repair of skis and snowshoes: $2,085,520,000, of which not to exceed $325,000,000 shall be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, for the purposes of subsection (e) of section 14 of the Airport and Airway Development Act of 1970, as amended, and subject to the conditions of that subsection and, in addition, not to exceed $5,000,000 from unobligated balances in the appropriations for "Civil supersonic aircraft development" and "Civil supersonic aircraft development termination" may be transferred to this account: Provided, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources, for expenses incurred in the maintenance and operation of air navigation facilities: Provided further, That none of these funds shall be available for new applicants for the second career training program.

For necessary expenses of the Federal Aviation Administration, not otherwise provided for, for acquisition and modernization of facilities and equipment and service testing in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Aviation Act (49 U.S.C. 1301-1542), including construction of experimental facilities and acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant and purchase of two aircraft for replacement only, $20,500,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources, for expenses incurred for engineering and development.

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for; for acquisition, establishment, and improvement by contract or purchase, and hire of air navigation and experimental facilities, including initial acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; engineering and service testing including construction of test facilities and acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; construction and furnishing of quarters and related accommodations for officers and employees of the Federal Aviation Administration stationed at remote localities where such accommodations are not available; to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, $293,000,000, of which $43,000,000 shall be derived by transfer from the appropriation "Facilities and Equipment (Airport and Airway Trust Fund), 1977," to remain available until September 30, 1984: Provided, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources, for
expenses incurred in the establishment and modernization of air navigation facilities. Provided further, That no part of the foregoing appropriation shall be available for the construction of a new wind tunnel, or to purchase any land for or in connection with the National Aviation Facilities Experimental Center, or to decommission in excess of five flight service stations.

RESEARCH, ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for research, engineering and development in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Aviation Act (49 U.S.C. 1301-1542), including construction of experimental facilities and acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; $75,000,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to remain available until expended: Provided, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources, for expenses incurred for research, engineering and development.

GRANTS-IN-AID FOR AIRPORTS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION) (AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

For liquidation of obligations incurred for airport development under authority contained in section 14 of Public Law 91-258, as amended, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended, $610,000,000; and for airport planning grants, $10,000,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON AIRPORTS

For expenses incident to the care, operation, maintenance, improvement, and protection of the federally owned civil airports in the vicinity of the District of Columbia, including purchase of ten passenger motor vehicles for police or ambulance type use, for replacement only; and purchase of two motor bikes for replacement only; purchase, cleaning, and repair of uniforms; and arms and ammunition; $25,465,000.

CONSTRUCTION, METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON AIRPORTS

For necessary expenses for construction at the federally owned civil airports in the vicinity of the District of Columbia, $6,785,000, to remain available until September 30, 1982.

AVIATION INSURANCE REVOLVING FUND

The Secretary of Transportation is hereby authorized to make such expenditures and investments, within the limits of funds available pursuant to section 1306 of the Act of August 23, 1958, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1536), and in accordance with section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended (31 U.S.C. 849), as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for the current fiscal year for aviation insurance activities under said Act.
For necessary expenses in carrying out section 126(d) of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-599), $1,000,000 to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund and for necessary expenses in carrying out section 126(e) of such Act, $3,000,000 to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund; for necessary expenses in carrying out section 131(j) of title 23, U.S.C., $8,500,000; for necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 219, $20,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 1983; for necessary expenses in carrying out section 154 of title 23, U.S.C. (other than subsection (i)), $20,000,000 to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund: Provided, That none of these funds shall be subject to the obligational limitation set forth in section 304 of this Act; for necessary expenses for urban discretionary grants as authorized by the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), to remain available until September 30, 1983, $100,000,000: Provided, That none of these funds shall be available to retrofit any existing fixed rail transit system to comply with regulations issued pursuant to section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; for necessary expenses for public transportation projects in areas other than urbanized areas as defined for the purposes of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), $10,000,000, to remain available until expended; for necessary expenses for urban formula grants as authorized by the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), $15,000,000, to remain available until expended.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

LIMITATION ON GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES

Necessary expenses for administration, operation, and research of the Federal Highway Administration not to exceed $188,600,000 shall be paid, in accordance with law, from appropriations made available by this Act to the Federal Highway Administration together with advances and reimbursements received by the Federal Highway Administration: Provided, That not to exceed $46,550,000 of the amount provided herein shall remain available until expended.

MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY

For necessary expenses to carry out motor carrier safety functions of the Secretary, as authorized by the Department of Transportation Act (80 Stat. 939-40), $13,700,000, of which $3,800,000 of the amount appropriated herein shall remain available until expended and not to exceed $1,264,000 shall be available for "Limitation on general operating expenses".

HIGHWAY SAFETY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses in carrying out provisions of title 23, United States Code, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended, $9,500,000.
HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, sections 131, 136, and 319(b), $25,283,000, to remain available until expended.

HIGHWAY-RELATED SAFETY GRANTS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION) (TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, section 402, administered by the Federal Highway Administration, to remain available until expended, $26,500,000 to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund: Provided, That not to exceed $633,000 of the amount appropriated herein shall be available for "Limitation on general operating expenses".

RAILROAD-HIGHWAY CROSSINGS DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

For necessary expenses of railroad-highway crossings demonstration projects, as authorized by section 163 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, as amended, and title III of the National Mass Transportation Assistance Act of 1974, to remain available until expended, $20,000,000 of which $13,333,333 shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund.

TERRITORIAL HIGHWAYS

For necessary expenses in carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, sections 152, 153, 215, and 402, $6,600,000, to remain available until expended, together with $4,168,000 for payment of obligations, incurred in carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, sections 215, 402, and 405, to remain available until expended.

OFF-SYSTEM ROADS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of section 122 of Public Law 93-643; $10,000,000, to remain available until expended.

SAFER OFF-SYSTEM ROADS

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 219; $35,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 1983.

NATIONAL SCENIC AND RECREATIONAL HIGHWAY (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 148, $25,500,000, to remain available until expended, of which $19,800,000 shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund.

ACCESS HIGHWAYS TO PUBLIC RECREATION AREAS ON CERTAIN LAKES

For necessary expenses not otherwise provided, to carry out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 155, $9,650,000, to remain available until September 30, 1982.
FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAYS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION) (TRUST FUND)

For carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, which are attributable to Federal-aid highways, not otherwise provided, including reimbursements for sums expended pursuant to the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 308, $6,800,000,000 or so much thereof as may be available in and derived from the Highway Trust Fund, to remain available until expended.

HIGHWAYS CROSSING FEDERAL PROJECTS

For necessary expenses in carrying out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 156, $14,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 1982.

BICYCLE PROGRAM

For necessary expenses in carrying out the provisions of section 141 of Public Law 95-599, $4,000,000, of which $2,000,000 shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund.

ALASKA HIGHWAY

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 218 of title 23, United States Code, $2,500,000, to remain available until expended.

NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION 

OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH

For expenses necessary to discharge the functions of the Secretary with respect to traffic and highway safety and functions under the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Savings Act (Public Law 92-513, as amended), $88,228,000, of which $25,913,000 shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund: Provided, That not to exceed $36,889,000 shall remain available until expended, of which $9,139,500 shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund.

STATE AND COMMUNITY HIGHWAY SAFETY (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 402 and 406, to remain available until expended, $171,000,000 to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund, and for necessary expenses in carrying out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 402 and 406, $2,297,000, to remain available until expended.

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

For necessary expenses of the Federal Railroad Administration, not otherwise provided for, $7,523,000.

RAILROAD SAFETY

For necessary expenses in connection with railroad safety, not otherwise provided for, $28,000,000, of which $9,100,000 shall remain available until expended.
RAILROAD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses for railroad research and development, $54,750,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from State and local governments, other public authorities, private sources and foreign countries for expenses incurred for engineering, testing and development.

RAIL SERVICE ASSISTANCE

For necessary expenses for rail service assistance authorized by section 5 of the Department of Transportation Act, as amended, and for necessary administrative expenses in connection with Federal rail assistance programs not otherwise provided for, $87,798,000, together with $9,400,000 for the Minority Business Resource Center, as authorized by title IX of Public Law 94-210, to remain available until expended.

NORTHEAST CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

For necessary expenses related to Northeast Corridor improvements authorized by title VII of Public Law 94-210, as amended, and title I of Public Law 95-599, $381,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the provisions of Public Law 85-804 shall apply to the Northeast Corridor Improvement Program: Provided further, That, the Secretary may waive the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 322 (c) and (d) if he determines such action would serve a public purpose.

GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, $873,400,000, to remain available until expended, of which not more than $630,400,000 shall be available for operating losses incurred by the Corporation, including payment of additional operating expenses of the Corporation, resulting from the operation, maintenance, and ownership or control of the Northeast Corridor pursuant to title VII of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976, not more than $20,000,000 shall be available for the payment of capital and operating expenses resulting from services provided pursuant to section 403(b) of the Rail Passenger Service Act, as amended, not more than $211,000,000 shall be available for capital improvements, and for labor protection costs pursuant to 45 U.S.C. 565, of which not to exceed $12,000,000 shall be used for capital improvements in connection with the Indianapolis-Chicago service, and not more than $12,000,000 shall be available only for the fiscal year 1980 purchase payments for the Northeast Corridor: Provided, That none of the funds herein appropriated shall be used for lease or purchase of passenger motor vehicles or for the hire of vehicle operators for any officer or employee, other than the President of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, excluding the lease of passenger motor vehicles for those officers or employees while in official travel status.

ALASKA RAILROAD REVOLVING FUND

The Alaska Railroad Revolving Fund shall continue available until expended for the work authorized by law, including operation and maintenance of oceangoing or coastwise vessels by ownership, charter, or arrangement with other branches of the Government service, for the purpose of providing additional facilities for transportation of freight, passenger, or mail, when deemed necessary for the benefit and development of industries or travel in the area served and
payment of compensation and expenses as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 8146, to be reimbursed as therein provided: Provided, That no employee shall be paid an annual salary out of said fund in excess of the salaries prescribed by the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, for grade GS-15, except the general manager of said railroad, one assistant general manager at not to exceed the salaries prescribed by said Act for GS-17, and five officers at not to exceed the salaries prescribed by said Act for grade GS-16.

PAYMENTS TO THE ALASKA RAILROAD REVOLVING FUND

For payment to the Alaska Railroad Revolving Fund for capital replacements, improvements, operations, and maintenance, $6,500,000, to remain available until expended.

RAILROAD REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT FINANCING FUNDS

The Secretary of Transportation is hereby authorized to expend proceeds from the sale of Fund anticipation notes to the Secretary of the Treasury and any other monies deposited in the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Fund pursuant to sections 502, 505-507 and 509 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Public Law 94–210), as amended and section 803 of Public Law 95–620, for the uses authorized for the Fund, in amounts not to exceed $100,000,000. The Secretary of Transportation is also authorized to issue to the Secretary of the Treasury notes or other obligations pursuant to section 512 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Public Law 94–210), as amended, in such amounts and at such time as may be necessary to pay any amounts required pursuant to the guarantee not to exceed $600,000,000 principal amount of obligations under sections 511 through 513 of such Act, such authority to exist as long as any such guaranteed obligation is outstanding: Provided, That the aggregate principal amount of guarantees and commitments to guarantee obligations under section 511 of Public Law 94–210, as amended, shall not exceed $600,000,000.

URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION

Urban Mass Transportation Fund

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For necessary administrative expenses of the urban mass transportation program authorized by the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.); 23 U.S.C., chapter 1, in connection with the activities, including hire of passenger motor vehicles and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; $19,260,000.

RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND DEMONSTRATIONS AND UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AND TRAINING

For necessary expenses for research and training, as authorized by the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), to remain available until expended; $69,300,000: Provided, That $66,800,000 shall be available for research, development, and demonstrations, $2,000,000 shall be available for university research and training and not to exceed $500,000 shall be available
for managerial training as authorized under the authority of said Act.

**URBAN DISCRETIONARY GRANTS**

**(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)**

For necessary expenses for urban discretionary grants as authorized by the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.) to remain available until September 30, 1983; $1,280,000,000, of which $9,925,000 shall be derived by transfer from the Urban Mass Transportation Fund: Provided, That none of these funds shall be available to retrofit any existing fixed rail transit system to comply with regulations issued pursuant to section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973: Provided further, That grants awarded for contracts for the acquisition of rolling stock, including buses, which will result in the expenditure of Federal financial assistance, shall only be awarded based on consideration of performance, standardization, life-cycle costs, and other factors the Secretary may deem relevant, in addition to the consideration of initial capital costs. Where necessary, the Secretary shall assist grantees in making such evaluations.

**RURAL AND SMALL URBAN GRANTS**

For necessary expenses for public transportation projects in areas other than urbanized areas as defined for the purposes of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), $75,000,000, to remain available until expended.

**URBAN FORMULA GRANTS**

For necessary expenses for urban formula grants as authorized by the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), $615,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That grants awarded for contracts for the acquisition of rolling stock, including buses, which will result in the expenditure of Federal financial assistance, shall only be awarded based on consideration of performance, standardization, life-cycle costs, and other factors the Secretary may deem relevant, in addition to the consideration of initial capital costs. Where necessary, the Secretary shall assist grantees in making such evaluation.

**LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION**

For payment to the urban mass transportation fund, for liquidation of contractual obligations incurred under authority of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.) and 23 U.S.C. 142(c) and of obligations incurred for projects substituted for Interstate System segments withdrawn prior to enactment of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1976; $1,500,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That none of these funds shall be made available for the establishment of depreciation reserves or reserves for replacement accounts: Provided further, That amounts for highway projects substituted for Interstate System segments shall be transferred to the Federal Highway Administration.

**WATERBORNE TRANSPORTATION DEMONSTRATION PROJECT**

For necessary expenses for a waterborne transportation demonstration project as authorized by section 320 of the Surface Transpor-
tation Assistance Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-599); $10,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 1981.

INTERSTATE TRANSFER GRANTS

(INCLUDING RESCISSION)

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 103(e)(4) for fiscal year 1980, $700,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That amounts for highway projects substituted for Interstate System segments shall be transferred to the Federal Highway Administration: Provided further, That $713,100,000 of contract authority made available or authorized for Interstate transfer grants is hereby rescinded.

SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to such Corporation, and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for the current fiscal year for the Corporation except as hereinafter provided.

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Not to exceed $1,372,000 shall be available for administrative expenses which shall be computed on an accrual basis, including not to exceed $3,000 for official entertainment expenses to be expended upon the approval or authority of the Secretary of Transportation: Provided, That Corporation funds shall be available for the hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft, operation and maintenance of aircraft, uniforms or allowances therefor for operation and maintenance personnel, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902), and $15,000 for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.

RESEARCH AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION

RESEARCH AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

For expenses necessary to discharge the functions of the Research and Special Programs Administration, $25,846,000, of which not to exceed $11,040,000 shall remain available until expended for expenses for conducting research and development and not to exceed $2,820,000 shall remain available until expended for grants-in-aid to carry out a pipeline safety program, as authorized by section 5 of the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act of 1968 (49 U.S.C. 1674).

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Inspector General, $700,000 together with $11,493,000 to be derived by transfer from "Salaries and Expenses", Office of the Secretary, $3,868,000, "Operations", Federal Aviation Administration, $3,225,000, "Operations
and Research”, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, $630,000, of which $430,000 shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund, “Rail Service Assistance”, Federal Railroad Administration, $1,619,000, “Administrative Expenses”, Urban Mass Transportation Administration, $2,086,000, and “Research and Special Programs”, Research and Special Programs Administration, $65,000, together with $6,960,000 derived from funds available under 23 U.S.C. 104(a) for payment of obligations.

TITLE II
RELATED AGENCIES

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the National Transportation Safety Board, including hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the rate for a GS-18; uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902), $16,782,500, of which not to exceed $300 shall be used for official reception and representation expenses.

CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Civil Aeronautics Board, including hire of aircraft; hire of passenger motor vehicles; services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; uniforms, or allowances therefor; as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902); and not to exceed $5,000 for official reception and representation expenses, $28,287,000.

PAYMENTS TO AIR CARRIERS

For payments to air carriers of so much of the compensation fixed and determined by the Civil Aeronautics Board under section 406 and section 419 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended, and the Airline Deregulation Act of 1978, as is payable by the Board, $76,100,000, to remain available until expended.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Interstate Commerce Commission, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, $76,699,000: Provided, That Joint Board members and cooperating state commission- ers may use Government transportation requests when traveling in connection with their official duties as such.

PAYMENTS FOR DIRECTED RAIL SERVICE

For payments for rail service to railroads directed to provide emergency rail service over the properties of other carriers in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 11125, $76,000,000 to remain available until expended: Provided, That not to exceed $900,000 of this appro-
PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION

OPERATING EXPENSES

For operating expenses necessary for the Panama Canal Commission, including hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902); official reception and representation expense; operation of guide services; residence for the administrator, contingencies of the administrator, and to employ services as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 3109); maintaining and altering facilities of other United States Government agencies in the Republic of Panama and facilities of the Government of the Republic of Panama for Panama Canal Commission use; and for payment of liabilities of the Panama Canal Company and Canal Zone Government that were pending on September 30, 1979, or that may accrue thereafter, including accounts payable for capital projects, $427,262,000. There may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from the Panama Canal Commission's capital outlay account for expenses incurred for supplies and services provided for capital projects and funds received from officers and employees of the Commission and/or commercial insurors of Commission employees for payment to other United States Government agencies for expenditures made for services provided to Commission employees and their dependents by such other agencies.

CAPITAL OUTLAY

For acquisition, construction, and replacement of improvements, facilities, structures, and equipment required by the Panama Canal Commission, including the purchase of not to exceed forty-eight passenger motor vehicles of which twenty-eight are for replacement only; to employ services authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 3109) for payment of liabilities of the Panama Canal Company and Canal Zone Government that were pending on September 30, 1979, or that may accrue thereafter; to improve facilities of other United States Government agencies in the Republic of Panama and facilities of the Government of the Republic of Panama for Panama Canal Commission use, $36,625,000, to remain available until expended.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

INVESTMENT IN FUND ANTICIPATION NOTES

For the acquisition, in accordance with section 509 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976, as amended, and section 803 of Public Law 95-620, of fund anticipation notes, $100,000,000.
UNITED STATES RAILWAY ASSOCIATION

For necessary administrative expenses to enable the United States Railway Association to carry out its functions under the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973, as amended, $23,900,000, of which not to exceed $4,000 shall be available for official reception and representation expenses.

PAYMENTS FOR PURCHASE OF CONRAIL SECURITIES

For acquisition of series A preferred stock issued by the Consolidated Rail Corporation, to remain available until expended, $550,000,000: Provided, That none of these funds may be made available to Conrail or any of its subsidiaries for losses resulting, entirely or in part, from any employee protection payments identical or similar to those previously authorized by title V of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973 to be paid by Conrail to current Conrail employees: Provided further, That this limitation shall not apply to those payments to employees who have been deprived of employment or whose employment has been materially diminished: Provided further, That the effective date of this provision is March 1, 1980.

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

INTEREST PAYMENTS

(including transfer of funds)

For an additional amount for “Interest payments”, to remain available until expended; $65,774,000: Provided, That these funds may be disbursed pursuant to terms and conditions that the Secretary of Transportation may establish.

NATIONAL ALCOHOL FUELS COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary administrative expenses of the National Alcohol Fuels Commission, $1,500,000, to remain available until expended.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION POLICY STUDY COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses to enable the National Transportation Policy Study Commission to carry out its functions under section 154 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1976, $66,157, to remain available until expended.

TITLE III—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 301. During the current fiscal year applicable appropriations to the Department of Transportation shall be available for maintenance and operation of aircraft; hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; purchase of liability insurance for motor vehicles operating in foreign countries on official departmental business; and uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902).

Sec. 302. None of the funds provided in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs the commitments for
which are in excess of $640,000,000 in fiscal year 1980 for "Grants-in-aid for airports" under 49 U.S.C. 1714 (a) and (b), of which $30,000,000 shall be added to the discretionary fund available for distribution pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 1715(a)(3)(B) and (a)(4)(C).

SEC. 303. None of the funds provided under this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs, the obligations for which are in excess of $28,000,000 in fiscal year 1980 for "Highway-related safety grants".

SEC. 304. None of the funds provided under this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs the total obligations for which are in excess of $175,000,000 in fiscal year 1980 for "State and Community Highway Safety".

SEC. 305. Funds appropriated for the Panama Canal Commission may be apportioned notwithstanding section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U.S.C. 665), to the extent necessary to permit payment of such pay increases for officers or employees as may be authorized by administrative action pursuant to law which are not in excess of statutory increases granted for the same period in corresponding rates of compensation for other employees of the Government in comparable positions.

SEC. 306. None of the funds provided under this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs for any further construction of the Miami jetport or of any other air facility in the State of Florida lying south of the Okeechobee Waterway and in the drainage basins contributing water to the Everglades National Park until it has been shown by an appropriate study made jointly by the Department of the Interior and the Department of Transportation that such an airport will not have an adverse environmental effect on the ecology of the Everglades and until any site selected on the basis of such study is approved by the Department of the Interior and the Department of Transportation: Provided, That nothing in this section shall affect the availability of such funds to carry out this study.

SEC. 307. Funds appropriated under this Act for expenditure by the Federal Aviation Administration shall be available (1) except as otherwise authorized by the Act of September 30, 1950 (20 U.S.C. 236-244), for expenses of primary and secondary schooling for dependents of Federal Aviation Administration personnel stationed outside the continental United States at costs for any given area not in excess of those of the Department of Defense for the same area, when it is determined by the Secretary that the schools, if any, available in the locality are unable to provide adequately for the education of such dependents and (2) for transportation of said dependents between schools serving the area which they attend and their places of residence when the Secretary, under such regulations as he may prescribe, determines that such schools are not accessible by public means of transportation on a regular basis.

SEC. 308. Appropriations contained in this Act for the Department of Transportation shall be available for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the rate for a GS–18.

SEC. 309. None of the funds provided in this Act for liquidation of contractual obligations under the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, shall be made available for liquidation of obligations entered into under section 5 of that Act to support mass transit facilities, equipment, or operating expenses unless the applicant for such assistance has given satisfactory assurances in such manner and forms as the Secretary may require, and in accordance with such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, that the rates charged elderly and handicapped persons during nonpeak hours shall
not exceed one-half of the rates generally applicable to other persons at peak hours: Provided, That the Secretary, in prescribing the terms and conditions for the provision of such assistance shall (1) permit applicants to continue the use of preferential fare systems for elderly or handicapped persons where those systems were in effect on or prior to November 26, 1974, (2) allow applicants a reasonable time to expand the coverage of operating preferential fare systems as appropriate, and (3) allow applicants to define the eligibility of "handicapped persons" for the purposes of preferential fares in conformity with other Federal laws and regulations governing eligibility for benefits for disabled persons.

Sec. 310. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

Sec. 311. None of the funds provided under or included in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs, the obligations for which are in excess of $8,750,000,000 for "Federal-Aid Highways" in fiscal year 1980: Provided, That this limitation shall not apply to obligations for emergency relief authorized by 23 U.S.C. 125: Provided further, for replacement of the West Seattle bridge in the State of Washington, $50,000,000 to be made available from obligations authorized by 23 U.S.C. 125 on August 4, 1978: Provided further, That this limitation shall not become effective if subsequent legislation containing an obligation limitation on "Federal-Aid Highways" for fiscal year 1980 is enacted into law by September 30, 1979: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Secretary of Transportation shall, not later than sixty days after date of enactment of this Act, designate as a route on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways six miles extending I-164 southward to South Lane Drive to tie into U.S. 41 South: Provided further, For not more than 90 per centum of the necessary expenses of the functional replacement of publicly-owned facilities located within the proposed right-of-way of Interstate Route 170 in Baltimore, Maryland, $2,000,000 out of the Highway Trust Fund, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the Secretary of Transportation is authorized and directed to proceed with the obligation of the necessary funds for such publicly-owned facilities without regard to the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended: Provided further, That actual construction of a highway on the right-of-way with respect to which said funds are expended shall be commenced within a period not exceeding ten years following the date of enactment of this Act or said funds shall be repaid to the Highway Trust Fund with interest.

Sec. 312. Obligations for the Great River Road shall include preliminary engineering and the planning or execution of projects for the acquisition of areas of archeological, scientific, or historical importance and of necessary easements for scenic purposes, the construction or reconstruction of roadside rest areas, bicycle trails, and scenic viewing areas, the reconstruction and rehabilitation of existing road segments, and the construction of new route segments. No such funds, however, shall be used for constructing new segments until 60 per centum of the Great River Road in each State is completed: Provided, That such completion may be waived if the Administrator determines that circumstances in such State prevent such completion: Provided further, None of the funds provided under this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs for the Great River Road, the obligations for which are in excess of $39,500,000 in fiscal year 1980.
Sec. 313. Appropriations under the heading “Facilities and Equipment (Airport and Airway Trust Fund)” in the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Acts, and supplemental appropriations Acts, 1978 and 1979, shall be available through fiscal years 1982 and 1983 respectively.

Sec. 314. None of the funds in this Act shall be available for the administrative expenses of making a new loan guarantee during fiscal year 1980 for any aircraft purchase loan, pursuant to the Act of September 7, 1957 (71 Stat. 629), as amended, which causes the aggregate of all such guarantees made during fiscal year 1980 to exceed $650,000,000 in principal amount: Provided, That the funds in this Act shall be available for the guarantee of loans for the refinancing of aircraft purchased after January 20, 1979, if an application for an aircraft purchase loan guarantee covering such aircraft was filed prior to that date but after October 24, 1978, and if such application meets the requirements of section 42(d) of the Airline Deregulation Act of 1978.

Sec. 315. None of the funds provided under this Act shall be available for constructing an extension of the Dulles airport access highway prior to an agreement with the Commonwealth of Virginia under which that Commonwealth assumes responsibility for maintenance and operation of such extension.

Sec. 316. None of the funds provided in this Act shall be available for the implementation or execution of programs the obligations for which are in excess of $60,000,000 in fiscal year 1980 for the “Offshore Oil Pollution Compensation Fund.”

Sec. 317. (a) None of the funds provided in this Act may be used to implement or enforce any standard or regulation which requires any motor vehicle to be equipped with an occupant restraint system (other than a belt system).

(b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the use of funds provided in this Act for any research and development activity relating to occupant restraint systems.

Sec. 318. None of the funds appropriated in this Act for the Panama Canal Commission may be expended unless in conformance with the Panama Canal Treaties of 1977 and any law implementing those treaties.

Sec. 319. None of the funds provided in this Act may be used for planning or construction of rail-highway crossings under section 322(a) of title 23, United States Code, or under sections 701(a)(5) or section 705(1)(A) of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 at the—

(1) School Street crossing in Groton, Connecticut; and

(2) Broadway Extension crossing in Stonington, Connecticut.

This Act may be cited as the “Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 1980.”

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91 Stat. 402.
92 Stat. 435.
92 Stat. 1749.
93 Stat. 1039.
49 USC 1324 note.
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