Public Law 96-400
96th Congress

An Act

Making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1981, 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, 1981, 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 of official reception and representation expenses as the Secretary may determine, $35,680,000.

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, $10,788,699.

LIMITATION ON WORKING CAPITAL FUND

Necessary expenses for operating costs and capital outlays of the Department of Transportation Working Capital Fund not to exceed $56,843,000 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 eight passenger motor vehicles, seven for replacement and one new passenger motor vehicle (ambulance); and recreation and welfare, $1,193,112,000 of which $233,935 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 eighty exclusive of planes and parts stored to meet future attrition: Provided further,
That none of the 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: Provided further, That none of the funds provided in this Act shall be available for expenses incurred for yacht documentation under 46 U.S.C. 108 except to the extent fees are collected from yacht owners and credited to this appropriation, and, notwithstanding any other law, the Secretary may prescribe fees to recover the expenses of yacht documentation.

**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, 1985, $333,985,000.

**ALTERATION OF BRIDGES**

For necessary expenses for alteration or removal of obstructive bridges, $15,850,000, to remain available until expended.

**Retired Pay**

For retired pay, including the payment of obligations therefore otherwise chargeable to lapsed appropriations for this purpose, and payment under the Retired Serviceman's Family Protection and Survivor Benefit Plans, $232,000,000.

**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, $45,007,000.

**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, $25,000,000, 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.

43 USC 1811.

43 USC 1812.
To increase the capital of the Coast Guard Supply Fund, $1,500,000, to remain available until expended.

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

Operations

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, as amended, or other provisions of law authorizing obligation of funds for similar programs of airport and airway development or improvement; purchase of five passenger motor vehicles for replacement only and purchase and repair of skis and snowshoes, $2,233,520,000, of which not to exceed $525,000,000 shall be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund: 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.

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.

Facilities, Engineering and Development

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, $21,155,000, 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.

Facilities and Equipment (Airport and Airway Trust Fund)

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; and purchase of one aircraft; to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, $350,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 1985: 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, $85,000,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and 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, and for liquidation of obligations incurred for airport planning and development under other law authorizing such obligations, $595,000,000, 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, $28,585,000: Provided, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from air carriers, concessionaires and non-Federal tenants sufficient to cover utility and fuel costs which are in excess of $5,807,000: Provided further, That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, or private sources, for expenses incurred in the maintenance and operation of the federally owned civil airports.

CONSTRUCTION, METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON AIRPORTS

For necessary expenses for construction at the federally owned civil airports in the vicinity of the District of Columbia, $16,200,000, to remain available until September 30, 1983.

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.

AIRCRAFT PURCHASE LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM

In carrying out the program for guarantee of aircraft purchase loans under the Act of September 7, 1957, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1324 note), during fiscal year 1981 total new commitments to guarantee loans shall not exceed $400,000,000 of contingent liability for loan principal, including $100,000,000 for which priority shall be given to guarantees of aircraft purchase loans to commuter air carriers serving smaller communities: Provided, That this limitation shall not apply to any guarantee of an aircraft purchase loan where (1) the loan guarantee applicant has submitted a loan guarantee application before October 1, 1980; (2) the Federal Aviation Administration has indicated prior to October 1, 1980, that the applicant was conditionally eligible for a guarantee; (3) the aircraft are financed and delivered in fiscal year 1981 for reasons beyond the purchaser's control; and (4) the aggregate of all guarantees which meet the preceding three conditions when combined with guarantees issued during fiscal year 1980 shall not exceed $650,000,000 in principal amount.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

LIMITATION ON GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES

Necessary expenses for administration, operation, and research of the Federal Highway Administration not to exceed $191,282,000 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 $39,600,000 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. 939-940), $14,350,000, of which $3,740,000 of the amount appropriated herein shall remain available until expended and not to exceed $1,581,000 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, $9,000,000.

HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION

For necessary expenses in carrying out section 131 of title 23 U.S.C. and section 104(a)(11) of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1978, $6,600,000, 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, $17,500,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund: Provided, That not to exceed $560,000 of the amount appropriated herein shall be available for "Limitation on general operating expenses".

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.

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, $14,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which $9,000,000 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, $6,525,000, together with unobligated balances appropriated under "access highways to public recreation areas on certain lakes" contained in Public Law 95–85, to remain available until September 30, 1983.

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, $7,500,000,000, or so much thereof as may be available in and derived from the Highway Trust Fund, to remain available until expended.

CARPOOL AND VANPOOL PROJECTS

For necessary expenses in carrying out the provisions of section 125(d) of Public Law 95–599, $1,000,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund and 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), $35,876,000, of which $26,963,500 shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund: Provided, That not to exceed $98,477,500
shall remain available until expended, of which $11,395,000 shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund.

STATE AND COMMUNITY HIGHWAY SAFETY (INCLUDING LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

For necessary expenses of State and community highway safety programs authorized by 23 U.S.C. 154, 402, 406 and 407, to remain available until expended, $38,593,000, of which $10,000,000 shall be available for transportation systems management, and of which $28,000,000 shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund; and for payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 402 and 406, to remain available until expended, $163,800,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund.

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

For necessary expenses of the Federal Railroad Administration, not otherwise provided for, $7,970,000.

RAILROAD SAFETY

For necessary expenses in connection with railroad safety, not otherwise provided for, $27,250,000, of which $7,600,000 shall remain available until expended.

RAILROAD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses for railroad research and development, $50,000,000, 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 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, $90,000,000, together with $9,423,000 for the Minority Business Resource Center, as authorized by title IX of Public Law 94-210, and $25,000,000 for railroad restructuring assistance authorized by title V of Public Law 94-210 as amended, to remain available until expended: Provided, That none of the funds provided under this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of a program making commitments to guarantee new loans under the Emergency Rail Services Act of 1970, as amended, in excess of $20,000,000 of contingent liability for loan principal in fiscal year 1981.

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, $350,000,000, 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: Provided further, That all public at grade-level crossings remaining along the Northeast Corridor upon completion of the project shall be equipped with protective devices including gates and lights.

GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, $881,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which $650,000,000 shall be for operating losses incurred by the Corporation, $18,000,000 for the payment of capital and operating expenses incurred from rail services provided under section 403(b) of the Rail Passenger Service Act, as amended, $11,000,000 for labor protection costs authorized by 45 U.S.C. 565, and $202,000,000 for capital improvements: 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 Corporation, excluding the lease of passenger motor vehicles for those officers or employees while in official travel status: Provided further, That the Secretary shall make no commitments to guarantee new loans or loans for new purposes under 45 U.S.C. 602 in fiscal year 1981: Provided further, That the incurring of any obligation or commitment by the Corporation for capital improvements not expressly provided for in an appropriation act or prohibited by this Act shall be deemed a violation of 31 U.S.C. 665.

To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation in fiscal year 1982 for capital improvements, $166,000,000, to remain available until expended.

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 and five officers at not to exceed the salaries prescribed for members of the Senior Executive Service.

PAYMENTS TO THE ALASKA RAILROAD REVOLVING FUND

For payment to the Alaska Railroad Revolving Fund for capital replacements, improvements, operations and maintenance, $10,640,000, to remain available until expended.
RAILROAD REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT FINANCING FUNDS

The Secretary of Transportation is 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 times as may be necessary to pay any amounts required pursuant to the guarantee of the 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 $770,000,000.

RAIL LABOR ASSISTANCE

For payment of benefits under section 509 of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973, as amended, $7,500,000, together with $1,500,000 for new career training assistance under section 119 of the Rock Island Transition and Employment Assistance Act, to remain available until expended.

URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION

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 these activities, including hire of passenger motor vehicles and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, $22,200,000.

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, $65,500,000: Provided, That $63,500,000 shall be available for research, development, and demonstrations, $1,000,000 shall be available for university research and training and not to exceed $1,000,000 shall be available for managerial training as authorized under the authority of said Act.

URBAN DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

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, 1984, $2,190,000,000: 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: Provided further, That none of the funds provided by this Act shall be used to enforce the provisions of 43 F.R. 235, page 57145, with respect to any project contract entered into after the date of enactment of this Act unless obligated pursuant to the provisions of section 401, Public Law 95–599: 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.

**NON-URBAN FORMULA 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.), $72,500,000, 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.), $1,455,000,000, 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 conducting one waterborne transportation demonstration project, $10,000,000 to remain available until expended.

**INTERSTATE TRANSFER GRANTS**

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 103(e)(4) for fiscal year 1981, $800,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That amounts for highway projects substituted for Interstate System segments shall be transferred to the Federal Highway Administration.
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 $1,460,000 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. 8109.

RESEARCH AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION

Research and Special Programs

For expenses necessary to discharge the functions of the Research and Special Programs Administration, $31,420,000, of which not to exceed $12,291,000 shall remain available until expended for expenses for conducting research and development and not to exceed $3,082,000 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).

Cooperative Automotive Research

For necessary expenses to discharge the functions of a cooperative automotive research program for conducting basic automotive research, $12,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That no additional funds shall be expended thereafter, unless authorized by Congress: Provided further, That the amount of funds obligated during the period ending 6 months after the date of enactment of this section shall not exceed $6,000,000: Provided further, That the Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Department of Commerce, Department of Defense, National Science Foundation, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Environmental Protection Agency, and Department of Energy, report to the Congress within 6 months of enactment of this Act its assessment of current Federal automotive and other surface transportation research and development and its analysis of options for the Federal management structure, areas of research, including applied research, detailed objectives, and funding requirements for a cooperative automotive research program: Provided further, That it is also the intention of the Congress that an authorization bill with positive or negative recommendations be reported out by the appropriate committees within said period.
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES
(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, $13,657,000, together with $8,085,000 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), $18,200,000, of which not to exceed $300 may 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, $28,419,000.

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, $86,300,000, 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, $82,400,000: Provided, That Joint Board members and cooperating State commissioners may use Government transportation requests when traveling in connection with their official duties as such.

PAYMENTS FOR DIRECTED RAIL SERVICE

None of the funds provided under this Act shall be available for the execution of programs the obligations for which can reasonably be expected to be in excess of $10,000,000 for directed rail service under 49 U.S.C. 11125 or any other legislation.
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); not to exceed $25,000 for official reception and representation expenses; 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 have accrued thereafter, including accounts payable for capital projects, $370,324,000, to be derived from the Panama Canal Commission Fund: Provided, That of the funds appropriated by this section not to exceed $495,000 shall be available for the hire of passenger motor vehicles; not to exceed $776,000 shall be available for the hire of aircraft; not to exceed $136,000 shall be available for uniforms or allowances; not to exceed $272,000 shall be available for operation of guide services; not to exceed $60,000 shall be available for maintenance of a residence for the Administrator; not to exceed $25,000 shall be available for contingencies of the Administrator; not to exceed $520,000 shall be available to employ services as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 3109); and not to exceed $3,724,000 shall be available for 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. 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 insurers 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. To the extent that the resources of the Fund are not adequate to provide the amount of budget authority provided above, the Commission may incur obligations in advance of adequate receipts in the Fund.

For acquisition, construction, and replacement of improvements, facilities, structures, and equipment required by the Panama Canal Commission, including the purchase of not to exceed thirty-one passenger motor vehicles of which nineteen 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 have accrued 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, $21,350,000, to be derived from the Panama Canal Commission Fund and to remain available until expended: Provided, That of the funds appropriated by this section not to exceed $16,226,000 shall be
available for navigation projects; not to exceed $1,648,000 shall be available for utilities projects; not to exceed $800,000 shall be available for housing improvements; and not to exceed $2,676,000 shall be available for general support projects. To the extent that the resources of the Fund are not adequate to provide the amount of budget authority provided above, the Commission may incur obligations in advance of adequate receipts in the Fund.

REIMBURSEMENT OF GENERAL FUND

For reimbursement to the General Fund of the Treasury from the Panama Canal Commission Fund, the total outlays in fiscal year 1980 from accounts 9501201 Panama Canal Commission Operating Expenses and 95X1201 Panama Canal Commission Capital Outlay, but in no case less than $350,000,000. The reimbursement shall be made within 30 days after submission by the General Accounting Office of the report on audit of the Panama Canal Commission accounts as required by section 1313 of the Panama Canal Act of 1979.

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, $25,000,000.

UNITED STATES RAILWAY ASSOCIATION

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

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, $29,000,000, of which not to exceed $4,000 may 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, $185,000,000.

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

INTEREST PAYMENTS

For necessary expenses for interest payments, to remain available until expended, $65,910,000: Provided, That these funds may be disbursed pursuant to terms and conditions that the Secretary of Transportation may establish.
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 $700,000,000 in fiscal year 1981 for grants-in-aid for airport planning, noise compatibility planning and programs, and development.

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 1981 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 $150,405,000 in fiscal year 1981 for “State and Community Highway Safety”: Provided, That none of the funds under State and Community Highway Safety shall be used for construction, rehabilitation or remodeling costs or for office furnishings and fixtures for State, local, or private buildings or structures.

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. 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. 307. 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. 308. None of the funds provided under this Act shall be made available under section 5 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, 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, (3) allow applicants to continue to use preferential fare systems incorporating the offering of a free return ride upon payment of the generally applicable full fare where any such applicant’s existing fare collection system does not reasonably permit the collection of half fares, and (4) 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. 309. 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. 310. 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 1981: 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 1981 is enacted into law by September 30, 1980: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Secretary of Transportation shall, not later than 60 days after date of enactment of this Act, designate under 23 U.S.C. 103(e)(1) as a route on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways 3.03 miles in the State of Missouri extending I-170 southward from I-70 to tie into U.S. 40 and 6.25 miles in the State of Alabama connecting I-10 and I-65 in the vicinity of Mobile-Prichard: Provided further, That there shall be no obligation constraints placed upon ongoing emergency projects funded under the Discretionary Bridge Replacement Fund or the Emergency Relief Fund.

(a) For fiscal year 1981, the Secretary of Transportation shall control the obligation of the limitation imposed by the above allocation according to the following formula: 80 per centum in the ratio which sums authorized to be appropriated for Federal-aid highways and highway safety construction which are apportioned or allocated to a State for fiscal year 1981 bears to the total of the sums authorized to be appropriated for Federal-aid highways and highway safety construction which are apportioned or allocated to all the States for such fiscal year; the remaining 20 per centum not so allocated, in the order in which States having obligated all such sums so allocated submit projects on or after August 1, 1981, to the Secretary of Transportation for his approval and in the amounts for such projects.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

(1) provide all States with authority sufficient to prevent lapses of sums authorized to be appropriated for Federal-aid highways and highway safety construction which have been apportioned or allocated to a State, except in those instances in which a State indicates its intention to lapse sums apportioned under section 104(b)(5)(A) of title 23, United States Code;
(2) after August 1, 1981, revise a distribution of the 80 per centum made under subsection (a) if a State will not obligate the amount distributed during fiscal year 1981 and redistribute sufficient amounts to those States able to obligate amounts in addition to those previously distributed during fiscal year 1981; and

(3) not distribute amounts authorized for administrative expenses and forest highways.

Sec. 311. 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 $37,500,000 in fiscal year 1981.

Sec. 312. 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. 313. 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 1981 for the “Offshore Oil Pollution Compensation Fund”.

Sec. 314. 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. 315. 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 703(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.

Sec. 316. None of the funds in this Act shall be used for the planning or execution of any program to pay the expenses of, or otherwise compensate, non-Federal parties intervening in regulatory or adjudicatory proceedings funded in this Act.

Sec. 317. None of the funds in this Act shall be used to assist, directly or indirectly, any State in imposing mandatory State inspection fees or sticker requirements on vehicles which are lawfully registered in another State, including vehicles engaged in interstate commercial transportation which are in compliance with Part 396—Inspection and Maintenance of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Sec. 318. Except as otherwise provided under existing law or under an existing Executive order issued pursuant to an existing law, the obligation or expenditure of any appropriation under this Act for contracts for any consulting service shall be limited to contracts
Contract requirements.

End-of-fiscal-year spending limitation.

Quarterly report to congressional committees and OMB Director.

Report to congressional committees.

which are (1) a matter of public record and available for public inspection, and (2) thereafter included in a publicly available list of all contracts entered into within 24 months prior to the date on which the list is made available to the public and of all contracts on which performance has not been completed by such date. The list required by the preceding sentence shall be updated quarterly and shall include a narrative description of the work to be performed under each such contract.

Sec. 319. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be obligated or expended by any executive agency, as referred to in the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 401 et seq.) for a contract for services unless such executive agency (1) has awarded and entered into such contract in full compliance with such Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder and (2) requires any report prepared pursuant to such contract, including plans, evaluations, studies, analyses and manuals, and any report prepared by the agency which is substantially derived from or substantially includes any report prepared pursuant to such contract, to contain information concerning (A) the contract pursuant to which the report was prepared and (B) the contractor who prepared the report pursuant to such contract.

Sec. 320. (a) No appropriations made available in this Act shall be obligated in a manner that would cause obligations from the total budget authority available to any department, agency, or establishment (as defined in 31 U.S.C. chapter 1, subchapter I, section 2) or any major administrative subdivision thereof during the fiscal year ending September 30, 1981, to exceed 30 per centum for the last quarter of such fiscal year or 15 per centum for any month in the last quarter of such fiscal year. The Director of the Office of Management and Budget may waive the requirements of the preceding sentence with respect to any program or activity if the Director determines in writing that the waiver is necessary to avoid a serious disruption in carrying out such program or activity.

(b) Not later than 45 days after the close of each quarter of the fiscal year, the head of each department, agency, or establishment shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations and to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, specifying the amount of obligations incurred during the quarter and the percentage of total available budget authority for the fiscal year which the obligations constitute.

(c) The Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall keep the Committees on Appropriations fully informed of actions taken to carry out the requirements of this section, including any waivers granted, and shall promptly report in writing any situation in which the obligations of any department, agency, or establishment exceed such requirements other than pursuant to a waiver. Not later than December 31, 1981, the director shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on the results and impact of the requirements of this section and actions taken under this section, including the effects upon procurement and apportionment processes, together with any recommendations the Director considers appropriate. Concurrent with the submittal of the report to the Committees on Appropriations under the preceding sentence, the director shall submit a copy of such report to the Comptroller General, who shall promptly review that report and submit to the Committees on Appropriations an analysis of the report and any recommendations which the Comptroller General considers appropriate.
Sec. 321. All unresolved audits currently pending within agencies and departments, for which appropriations are made under this Act, shall be resolved not later than September 30, 1981. Any new audits, involving questioned expenditures, arising after the enactment of this Act shall be resolved within 6 months of completing the initial audit report.

Sec. 322. Each department and agency for which appropriations are made under this Act shall take immediate action (1) to improve the collection of overdue debts owed to the United States within the jurisdiction of that department or agency; (2) to bill interest on delinquent debts as required by the Federal Claims Collection Standards; and (3) to reduce amounts of such debts written off as uncollectible.

Sec. 328. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the amounts otherwise available to agencies under the Act for procurement of consultant services shall be reduced by the following amounts: Department of Transportation, $3,894,000.

(b) For fiscal year 1982 and thereafter, a department or establishment—as defined in section 2 of the Budget and Accounting Act, 1921—shall submit annually to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, as part of its budget justification, the estimated amount of funds requested for consulting services; the appropriation accounts in which such funds are located; and a brief description of the need for consulting services, including a list of major programs that require consulting services.

(c) For fiscal year 1982 and thereafter, the Inspector General of such department or establishment, or comparable official, or if there is no Inspector General or comparable official, the agency head or the agency head's designee, shall submit to the Congress along with the budget justification, an evaluation of the agency's progress to institute effective management controls and improve the accuracy and completeness of the data provided to the Federal Procurement Data System regarding consultant service contractual arrangements.

Sec. 324. None of the funds in this Act may be used for the planning or execution of programs to compel local transit authorities to purchase wheelchair lifts to comply with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, except—

(1) to the extent which would be required under the amendment contained in section 118 of S. 2720 (96th Congress, Federal Public Transportation Act of 1980), as passed by the Senate on June 25, 1980, or

(2) where such authorities have elected to purchase such lifts. This section shall be effective only until modified by subsequent legislation.

Sec. 325. None of the funds in this Act shall be used to implement, administer, or enforce any regulation which has been disapproved pursuant to a resolution of disapproval duly adopted in accordance with the applicable law of the United States.

Sec. 326. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, any amount appropriated by this Act for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1981, for any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government, which is available to pay for or conduct advertising or public relations activities is reduced by 10 percent.

Sec. 327. None of the funds provided in this Act shall be available for interstate highway I-69 between Charlotte and Lansing, Michigan, for a period of 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

Sec. 328. None of the funds in this Act shall be used to mandate any reduction under the Washington National Airport Policy of the
number of certificated air carrier slots per hour at Washington National Airport below the number authorized on September 12, 1980, until April 26, 1981.

This Act may be cited as the "Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 1981."

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