Public Law 97-327
97th Congress

An Act
To authorize appropriations for the construction of certain highways in accordance with title 23 of the United States Code, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1982".

SEC. 2. Subsection (b) of section 108 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956, as amended, is amended by striking out "the additional sum of $3,625,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1984," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "the additional sum of $3,225,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1984, ".

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Transportation shall apportion for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1984, the sums authorized to be apportioned for such year by section 108(b) of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956, as amended, for expenditures on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, using the apportionment factors contained in revised table 5 of the committee print numbered 97-53 of the Committee on Public Works and Transportation of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 4. (a) For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, the following sums (multiplied by a factor determined by dividing the maximum number of days in the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983, for which funds are appropriated by a joint resolution making continuing appropriations for such fiscal year, by 365 days) are hereby authorized to be appropriated:

1. For the Federal-aid primary system in rural areas, including the extensions of the Federal-aid primary system in urban areas, and the priority primary routes, out of the Highway Trust Fund, $1,500,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983.

2. For the Federal-aid secondary system in rural areas, out of the Highway Trust Fund, $400,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983.

3. For the forest highways, out of the Highway Trust Fund, $33,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983.

4. For public lands highways, out of the Highway Trust Fund, $16,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983.

5. For economic growth center development highways under section 143 of title 23, United States Code, out of the Highway Trust Fund, $50,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983.

6. For the Great River Road, out of the Highway Trust Fund, $25,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983, for construction or reconstruction of roads on a Federal-aid highway system.
(b) For fiscal year 1984, no State, including the State of Alaska, shall receive less than one-half of 1 per centum of the total apportionment for the Interstate System under section 104(b)(5)(A) of title 23, United States Code. Whenever amounts made available under this subsection for the Interstate System in any State exceed the estimated cost of completing that State's portion of the Interstate System, and exceed the estimated cost of necessary resurfacing, restoration, rehabilitation, and reconstruction of the Interstate System within such State, the excess amount shall be eligible for expenditure for those purposes for which funds apportioned under paragraphs (1), (2), and (6) of such section 104(b) may be expended and shall also be available for expenditure to carry out section 152 of title 23, United States Code.

(c) In the case of priority primary routes, $125,000,000 (multiplied by the factor determined under subsection (a) of this section) of the sums authorized for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983, by subsection (a)(1) of this section for such routes, shall not be apportioned. Such $125,000,000 (multiplied by such factor) shall be available for obligation on the date of apportionment of funds for such fiscal year, in the same manner and to the same extent as the sums apportioned on such date, except that such $125,000,000 (multiplied by such factor) shall be available for obligation at the discretion of the Secretary of Transportation only for projects of unusually high cost or which require long periods of time for their construction. Any part of such $125,000,000 (multiplied by such factor) not obligated by such Secretary on or before the last day of such fiscal year shall be immediately apportioned in the same manner as funds apportioned for the next succeeding fiscal year for primary system routes, and available for obligation for the same periods as such apportionment.

Sec. 5. (a) The following sums are hereby authorized to be appropriated:

(1) For bridge replacement and rehabilitation under section 144 of title 23, United States Code, out of the Highway Trust Fund, $900,000,000 (multiplied by the factor determined under section 4(a) of this Act) for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983.

(2) For projects for elimination of hazards under section 152 of title 23, United States Code, out of the Highway Trust Fund, $200,000,000 (multiplied by the factor determined under section 4(a) of this Act) for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983.

(b) Section 203(b) of the Highway Safety Act of 1973, as amended, is amended by striking out "and $190,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$190,000,000" and by inserting after "September 30, 1982" the following: "and $190,000,000 (multiplied by the factor determined under section 4(a) of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1982) for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983".

(c) Section 144(e) of title 23, United States Code, is amended by striking out "and September 30, 1982" and inserting in lieu thereof "September 30, 1982, and September 30, 1983".

(2) Section 144(g) of title 23, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the third sentence the following new sentences: "Of the amount authorized for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983, by paragraph (1) of section 5(a) of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1982, all but $200,000,000 (multiplied by the factor determined under section 4(a) of such Act) shall be apportioned as provided in subsection (e) of this section. $200,000,000 (multiplied by
such factor) of the amount authorized for such fiscal year shall be available for obligation on the date of each such apportionment in the same manner and to the same extent as the sums apportioned on such date except that the obligation of such $200,000,000 (multiplied by such factor) shall be at the discretion of the Secretary and shall be only for projects for those highway bridges the replacement or rehabilitation cost of each of which is more than $10,000,000, and for any project for a highway bridge the replacement or rehabilitation costs of which is less than $10,000,000 if such cost is at least twice the amount apportioned to the State in which such bridge is located under subsection (e) of this section for the fiscal year in which application is made for a grant for such bridge.”

Sec. 6. Section 401(a) of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1978 is amended by inserting after “or by any Act amended by this Act” the following: “or, after the date of enactment of this Act, any funds authorized to be appropriated to carry out this Act, title 23, United States Code, or the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964”.


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