under such section, plus such State's expected apportionment under such section from existing authorizations plus an amount equal to such State's expected apportionment under such section (other than section 104(b)(5)(A)) for one additional fiscal year. This subsection shall only be effective during the period beginning January 1, 1987, and ending September 30, 1990.


Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 100–17, § 113(a), amended subsec. (a) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (a) read as follows:

“(1) When a State has obligated all funds apportioned or allocated to it under section 103(e)(4), 104, or 144 of this title, other than Interstate funds, and proceeds to construct any highway substitute, Federal-aid system, or bridge project, respectively, other than an Interstate project funded under section 104(b)(5) of this title, without the aid of Federal funds in accordance with all procedures and all requirements applicable to such a project, except insofar as such procedures and requirements limit a State to the construction of projects with the aid of Federal funds previously apportioned to it, the Secretary, upon application by such State and his approval of such application, is authorized to pay to such State the Federal share of the cost of construction of such project when additional funds are apportioned to such State under section 103(e)(4), 104, or 144, respectively, of this title if—

“(A) prior to the construction of the project the Secretary approves the plans and specifications therefor in the same manner as other projects, and

“(B) the project conforms to the applicable standards adopted under section 109 of this title.

“(2) The Secretary may not approve an application under this section unless an authorization for section 103(e)(4), 104, or 144 of this title, as the case may be, is in effect for the fiscal year for which the application is sought beyond the currently authorized funds for such State. No application may be approved which will exceed the State's expected apportionment of such authorizations.”

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 100–17, § 113(b), inserted heading.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 100–17, § 113(b), amended par. (1) generally. Prior to amendment, par. (1) read as follows:

“When a State proceeds to construct any project on the Interstate System without the aid of Federal funds, as that System may be designated at that time, in accordance with all procedures and all requirements applicable to projects on such System, except insofar as such procedures and requirements limit a State to the construction of projects with the aid of Federal funds previously apportioned to it, the Secretary, upon application by such State and his approval of such application, is authorized to pay to such State the Federal share of the cost of construction of such project when additional funds are apportioned to such State under section 103(e)(4), 104, or 144 of this title if—

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

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

Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 100–17, § 113(d)(1)(B), (D), inserted headings and aligned pars. (2) and (3) with par. (1), as amended.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 100–17, § 113(d)(1)(E), (F), inserted heading and substituted “104, 105, 141, 151, 307” for “104, 105, 141, 151, 307”.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 100–17, § 113(c), added subsec. (d).

1983—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97–424, § 113(c), directed existing provisions as pars. (1) and (2) and designated former pars. (1) and (2) as subs paras. (A) and (B), respectively, of par. (1); in par. (1) as so redesignated, substituted “When a State has obligated all funds apportioned or allocated to it under section 103(e)(4), 104, or 144 of this title, other than ‘‘interstate funds, and proceeds to construct any highway substitute, Federal-aid system, or bridge project, respectively, other than an Interstate project funded under section 104(b)(5) of this title, without the aid of Federal funds in accordance with all procedures and all requirements applicable to such a project, except insofar as such procedures and requirements limit a State to the construction of projects with the aid of Federal funds previously apportioned to it, the Secretary, upon application by such State and his approval of such application, is authorized to pay to such State the Federal share of the costs of construction of such project when additional funds are apportioned to such State under section 103(e)(4), 104, or 144, respectively, of this title if—” for “When a State has obligated all funds for any of the Federal-aid systems, other than the Interstate System, apportioned to it under section 104 of this title, and proceeds to construct any project without the aid of Federal funds, including one or more parts of any project, on any of the Federal-aid systems in such State, other than the Interstate System, as any of these systems may be designated at that time, in accordance with all procedures and all requirements applicable to projects on any such system, except insofar as such procedures and requirements limit a State to the construction of projects with the aid of Federal funds previously apportioned to it, the Secretary, upon application by such State and his approval of such application, is authorized to pay to such State the Federal share of the cost of construction of such project when additional funds are apportioned to such State under section 104 of this title if—” in subpar. (A) thereof struck out “on the Federal-aid system involved” after “other projects” and in par. (2) as so redesignated inserted “for section 103(e)(4), 104, or 144 of this title, as the case may be,” after “unless authorization”, and made a new sentence of existing provisions, beginning with “No application”.


Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 97–424, § 113(d), substituted “section 103(e)(4), 104, or 144” for “section 104” after “provisions of”.

1979—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 96–166 designated existing provisions as par. (1) and cls. (1) and (2) thereof as subpars. (A) and (B) and added par. (2).

1975—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 93–643, § 111(a), substituted “other than the Interstate System” for “including the Interstate System” in two places.

Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 93–643, § 111(b), added subsec. (b) and redesignated former subsec. (b) as (c).

1968—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 90–445, § 25(a), extended advance construction authority to all the Federal-aid highway systems rather than just the Interstate System but provided that anticipation of future appropriations by States should only be permitted for those years for which authorities have been established by law.


Effective Date of 1998 Amendment


Effective Date of 1968 Amendment


§ 116. Maintenance

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the following definitions apply:
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(1) Preventive maintenance.—The term “preventive maintenance” includes pavement preservation programs and activities.

(2) Pavement preservation programs and activities.—The term “pavement preservation programs and activities” means programs and activities employing a network level, long-term strategy that enhances pavement performance by using an integrated, cost-effective set of practices that extend pavement life, improve safety, and meet road user expectations.

(b) It shall be the duty of the State transportation department or other direct recipient to maintain, or cause to be maintained, any project constructed under the provisions of this chapter or constructed under the provisions of prior Acts. 

(c) Agreement.—In any State in which the State transportation department or other direct recipient is without legal authority to maintain a project described in subsection (b), the transportation department or direct recipient shall enter into a formal agreement with the appropriate officials of the county or municipality in which the project is located to provide for the maintenance of the project.

(d) If at any time the Secretary shall find that any project constructed under the provisions of this chapter, or constructed under the provisions of prior Acts, is not being properly maintained, he shall call such fact to the attention of the State transportation department or other direct recipient. If, within ninety days after receipt of such notice, such project has not been put in proper condition of maintenance, the Secretary shall withhold approval of further projects of all types in the State highway district, municipality, county, other political or administrative subdivision of the State, or the entire State in which such project is located, whichever the Secretary deems most appropriate, until such project shall have been put in proper condition of maintenance.

(e) Preventive maintenance.—A preventive maintenance activity shall be eligible for Federal assistance under this title if the State demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Secretary that the activity is a cost-effective means of extending the useful life of a Federal-aid highway.


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Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 112–141, §1507(b), redesignated subsec. (a) as (b), inserted “or other direct recipient” before “to maintain”, and struck out at end “The State’s obligation to the United States to maintain any such project shall cease when it no longer constitutes a part of a Federal-aid system.” Former subsec. (c) redesignated (d).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 112–141, §1507(c), added subsec. (c) and struck out former subsec. (c). Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “In any State wherein the State transportation department is without legal authority to maintain a project constructed on the Federal-aid secondary system, or within a municipality, such transportation department shall enter into a formal agreement for its maintenance with the appropriate officials of the county or municipality in which such project is located.”

Pub. L. 112–141, §1507(1), redesignated subsec. (b) as (c). Former subsec. (c) redesignated (d).

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 112–141, §1507(1), redesignated subsec. (c) as (d) and inserted “or other direct recipient” after “State transportation department”. Former subsec. (d) redesignated (e).

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 112–141, §1507(1), redesignated subsec. (d) as (e).

2005—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 109–59 substituted “such transportation department” for “such highway department”.

1998—Subsecs. (a) to (c). Pub. L. 105–178 substituted “State transportation department” for “State highway department”.


1997—Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 100–17 struck out subsecs. (d) and (e) which read as follows: “(d) The Secretary in consultation with the State highway departments and interested and knowledgeable private organizations and individuals shall as soon as possible establish national bridge inspection standards in order to provide for the proper safety inspection of bridges. Such standards shall specify in detail the method by which inspections shall be conducted by the State highway departments, the maximum time lapse between inspections and the qualifications for those charged with the responsibility for carrying out such inspections. Each State shall be required to maintain written reports to be available to the Secretary pursuant to such inspections together with a notation of the action taken pursuant to the findings of such inspections. Each State shall be required to maintain a current inventory of all bridges.”

“(e) The Secretary shall establish in cooperation with the State highway departments a program designed to train appropriate employees of the Federal Government and the State governments to carry out bridge inspections. Such a program shall be revised from time to time in light of new or improved techniques. For the purposes of this section the Secretary may use funds made available pursuant to the provisions of section 104(a) and section 307(a) of this title.”

1983—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 97–424 substituted “State highway district, municipality, county, other political or administrative subdivision of the State, or the entire State in which such project is located, whichever the Secretary deems most appropriate,” for “entire State” after “all types in the”, and struck out exception for a situation where such project was subject to an agreement pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, in which case approval was to have been withheld only for secondary or urban projects in the county or municipality where such project is located.


1968—Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 90–495 added subsec. (d) and (e).

1965—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 86–70, §21(e)(3), substituted “11” for “Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section,”.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 86–70, §21(d)(2), repealed subsec. (d) which related to expenditure of funds appropriated to the Territory of Alaska and contributed by the Territory for the maintenance of roads.

Effective Date of 2012 Amendment

Amendment by Pub. L. 112–141 effective Oct. 1, 2012, see section 3(a) of Pub. L. 112–141, set out as an Effec-
tive and Termination Dates of 2012 Amendment note under section 101 of this title.

**Effective Date of 1968 Amendment**


**Effective Date of 1959 Amendment**

Amendment by section 21(d)(2) of Pub. L. 86–70 effective July 1, 1959, see section 21(d) of Pub. L. 86–70, set out as a note under section 103 of this title.

Amendment by section 21(e)(3) of Pub. L. 86–70 effective July 1, 1959, see section 21(e) of Pub. L. 86–70, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

**Establishment of Minimum Federal Guidelines for Maintenance; Study by National Academy of Sciences and Report**

Pub. L. 100–17, title I, § 163, Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 213, directed Secretary to enter into appropriate arrangements with the National Academy of Sciences to conduct a complete investigation of the appropriateness of establishing minimum Federal guidelines for maintenance of the Federal-aid primary, secondary, and urban systems and, not later than 18 months after entering into appropriate arrangements, the National Academy of Sciences was to submit to Secretary and Congress a report on the results of the investigation and study together with recommendations (including legislative and administrative recommendations) concerning establishment of minimum Federal guidelines for maintenance of the Federal-aid primary, secondary, and urban systems.


**Effective Date of Repeal**

Repeal effective Oct. 1, 2012, see section 3(a) of Pub. L. 112–141, set out as an Effective and Termination Dates of 2012 Amendment note under section 101 of this title.

**§ 118. Availability of funds**

(a) Date Available for Obligation.—Except as otherwise specifically provided, authorizations from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account) to carry out this title shall be available for obligation on the date of the appropriation or allocation or on October 1 of the fiscal year for which they are authorized, whichever occurs first.

(b) Period of Availability.—Except as otherwise specifically provided, funds appropriated or allocated pursuant to this title in a State shall remain available for obligation in that State for a period of 3 years after the last day of the fiscal year for which the funds are authorized. Any amounts so appropriated or allocated that remain unobligated at the end of that period shall lapse.

(c) Obligation and Release of Funds.—

(1) In General.—Funds apportioned or allocated to a State for a purpose for any fiscal year shall be considered to be obligated if a sum equal to the total of the funds apportioned or allocated to the State for that purpose for that fiscal year and previous fiscal years is obligated.

(2) Released Funds.—Any funds released by the final payment for a project, or by modifying the project agreement for a project, shall be—

(A) credited to the same class of funds previously apportioned or allocated to the State for the project; and

(B) immediately available for obligation.

(d) Funds Made Available to the State of Alaska and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico under this title may be expended for construction of roads that will serve resource development, recreational, residential, commercial, industrial, or other like purposes.

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2012—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 112–141, §1519(c)(5), designated par. (2) as subsec. (b), struck out “other than for Interstate construction” after “this title”, and (b) struck out former par. (1) relating to Interstate construction funds and heading of former par. (2) which read “Other Funds”. Subsecs. (c) to (e), Pub. L. 112–141, §1519(b)(1)(B), redesignated subsecs. (d) and (e) as (c) and (d), respectively, and struck out former subsec. (c) which related to set asides for Interstate discretionary projects.

2005—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 109–59, §1501(b), substituted “$100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2005 through 2009” for “$50,000,000 in fiscal year 1998 and $100,000,000 in each of fiscal years 1999 through 2003”.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 109–59, §1501(b), amended heading and text of subsec. (d) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “Any Federal-aid highway funds released by the final payment for a project, or by the modification of the project agreement, shall be considered to be obligated to the same program funding category previously apportioned to the State and shall be immediately available for expenditure.”