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A BILL

Making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That the following sums are appropriated, out of any
- 4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the
- 5 Department of Transportation and related agencies for

1	the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other
2	purposes, namely:
3	TITLE I
4	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
5	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
6	SALARIES AND EXPENSES
7	For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary,
8	\$53,816,000, of which not to exceed \$40,000 shall be
9	available as the Secretary may determine for allocation
10	within the Department for official reception and represen-
11	tation expenses: Provided, That notwithstanding any other
12	provision of law, there may be credited to this appropria-
13	tion up to \$1,000,000 in funds received in user fees estab-
14	lished to support the electronic tariff filing system: Pro-
15	vided further, That none of the funds appropriated in this
16	Act or otherwise made available may be used to maintain
17	custody of airline tariffs that are already available for pub-
18	lic and departmental access at no cost; to secure them
19	against detection, alteration, or tampering; and open to
20	inspection by the Department.
21	Office of Civil Rights
22	For necessary expenses of the Office of Civil Rights,
23	\$5,574,000.

1	Transportation Planning, Research, and
2	DEVELOPMENT
3	For necessary expenses for conducting transportation
4	planning, research, systems development, and development
5	activities, to remain available until expended, \$3,000,000.
6	TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER
7	Necessary expenses for operating costs and capital
8	outlays of the Transportation Administrative Service Cen-
9	ter, not to exceed \$124,812,000, shall be paid from appro-
10	priations made available to the Department of Transpor-
11	tation: Provided, That such services shall be provided on
12	a competitive basis to entities within the Department of
13	Transportation: Provided further, That the above limita-
14	tion on operating expenses shall not apply to non-DOT
15	entities: Provided further, That no funds appropriated in
16	this Act to an agency of the Department shall be trans-
17	ferred to the Transportation Administrative Service Cen-
18	ter without the approval of the agency modal adminis-
19	trator: Provided further, That no assessments may be lev-
20	ied against any program, budget activity, subactivity or
21	project funded by this Act unless notice of such assess-
22	ments and the basis therefor are presented to the House
23	and Senate Committees on Appropriations and are ap-
24	proved by such Committees.

1	PAYMENTS TO AIR CARRIERS
2	(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
3	(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)
4	(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
5	For liquidation of obligations incurred for payments
6	to air carriers of so much of the compensation fixed and
7	determined under subchapter II of chapter 417 of title 49,
8	United States Code, as is payable by the Department of
9	Transportation, \$10,000,000, to remain available until ex-
10	pended and to be derived from the Airport and Airway
11	Trust Fund: Provided, That none of the funds in this Act
12	shall be available for the implementation or execution of
13	programs in excess of \$10,000,000 for the Payments to
14	Air Carriers program in fiscal year 1997: Provided further,
15	That none of the funds in this Act shall be used by the
16	Secretary of Transportation to make payment of com-
17	pensation under subchapter II of chapter 417 of title 49,
18	United States Code, in excess of the appropriation in this
19	Act for liquidation of obligations incurred under the "Pay-
20	ments to air carriers" program: Provided further, That
21	none of the funds in this Act shall be used for the payment
22	of claims for such compensation except in accordance with
23	this provision: Provided further, That none of the funds
24	in this Act shall be available for service to communities
25	in the forty-eight contiguous States that are located fewer
26	than seventy highway miles from the nearest large or me-

- 1 dium hub airport, or that require a rate of subsidy per
- 2 passenger in excess of \$200 unless such point is greater
- 3 than two hundred and ten miles from the nearest large
- 4 or medium hub airport: Provided further, That of funds
- 5 provided for "Small Community Air Service" by Public
- 6 Law 101–508, \$28,600,000 in fiscal year 1997 is hereby
- 7 rescinded.
- 8 PAYMENTS TO AIR CARRIERS
- 9 (RESCISSION)
- 10 Of the budgetary resources remaining available under
- 11 this heading, \$1,133,000 are rescinded.
- 12 RENTAL PAYMENTS
- For necessary expenses for rental of headquarters
- 14 and field space not to exceed 8,580,000 square feet and
- 15 for related services assessed by the General Services Ad-
- 16 ministration, \$127,447,000: Provided, That of this
- 17 amount, \$2,022,000 shall be derived from the Highway
- 18 Trust Fund, \$39,113,000 shall be derived from the Air-
- 19 port and Airway Trust Fund, \$840,000 shall be derived
- 20 from the Pipeline Safety Fund, and \$193,000 shall be de-
- 21 rived from the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund: Provided
- 22 further, That in addition, for assessments by the General
- 23 Services Administration related to the space needs of the
- 24 Federal Highway Administration, \$17,294,000, to be de-

rived from "Federal-aid Highways", subject to the "Limitation on General Operating Expenses". 3 Minority Business Resource Center Program 4 For the cost of direct loans, \$1,500,000, as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 332: Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: 8 Provided further, That these funds are available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct 10 loans not to exceed \$15,000,000. In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out the direct loan program, 12 \$400,000. 13 MINORITY BUSINESS OUTREACH 14 For necessary expenses of the Minority Business Re-15 source Center outreach activities, \$2,900,000, of which \$2,635,000 shall remain available until September 30, 16 1998: Provided, That notwithstanding 49 U.S.C. 332, these funds may be used for business opportunities related 18 to any mode of transportation. 20 COAST GUARD 21 OPERATING EXPENSES 22 For necessary expenses for the operation and mainte-23 nance of the Coast Guard, not otherwise provided for; purchase of not to exceed five passenger motor vehicles for

replacement only; payments pursuant to section 156 of

- 1 Public Law 97–377, as amended (42 U.S.C. 402 note),
- 2 and section 229(b) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
- 3 429(b)); and recreation and welfare; \$2,609,100,000, of
- 4 which \$25,000,000 shall be derived from the Oil Spill Li-
- 5 ability Trust Fund: *Provided*, That the number of aircraft
- 6 on hand at any one time shall not exceed two hundred
- 7 and eighteen, exclusive of aircraft and parts stored to meet
- 8 future attrition: Provided further, That none of the funds
- 9 appropriated in this or any other Act shall be available
- 10 for pay or administrative expenses in connection with ship-
- 11 ping commissioners in the United States: Provided further,
- 12 That none of the funds provided in this Act shall be avail-
- 13 able for expenses incurred for yacht documentation under
- 14 46 U.S.C. 12109, except to the extent fees are collected
- 15 from yacht owners and credited to this appropriation: Pro-
- 16 vided further, That the Commandant shall reduce both
- 17 military and civilian employment levels for the purpose of
- 18 complying with Executive Order No. 12839.
- 19 Acquisition, Construction, and Improvements
- 20 For necessary expenses of acquisition, construction,
- 21 renovation, and improvement of aids to navigation, shore
- 22 facilities, vessels, and aircraft, including equipment related
- 23 thereto, \$358,000,000, of which \$20,000,000 shall be de-
- 24 rived from the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund; of which
- 25 \$205,600,000 shall be available to acquire, repair, ren-

- 1 ovate or improve vessels, small boats and related equip-
- 2 ment, to remain available until September 30, 2001;
- 3 \$18,300,000 shall be available to acquire new aircraft and
- 4 increase aviation capability, to remain available until Sep-
- 5 tember 30, 1999; \$39,900,000 shall be available for other
- 6 equipment, to remain available until September 30, 1999;
- 7 \$47,950,000 shall be available for shore facilities and aids
- 8 to navigation facilities, to remain available until Septem-
- 9 ber 30, 1999; and \$46,250,000 shall remain available for
- 10 personnel compensation and benefits and related costs, to
- 11 remain available until September 30, 1998: Provided,
- 12 That funds received from the sale of the VC-11A and
- 13 HU-25 aircraft shall be credited to this appropriation for
- 14 the purpose of acquiring new aircraft and increasing avia-
- 15 tion capacity: Provided further, That the Commandant
- 16 may dispose of surplus real property by sale or lease and
- 17 the proceeds of such sale or lease shall be credited to this
- 18 appropriation: Provided further, That the proceeds from
- 19 the sale of property in Wildwood, New Jersey shall be
- 20 credited as offsetting collections to this account so as to
- 21 result in a final fiscal year 1997 appropriation estimated
- 22 at \$338,000,000, and the estimated proceeds from the
- 23 sale of such Coast Guard property shall be included in
- 24 the budget baseline required by the Balanced Budget and
- 25 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, notwithstanding

- 1 section 257(e) of that Act: Provided further, That none
- 2 of the funds in this Act may be obligated or expended to
- 3 continue the "Vessel Traffic Service 2000" Program.
- 4 Acquisition, Construction, and Improvements
- 5 (RESCISSIONS)
- 6 Of the available balances under this heading provided
- 7 in Public Law 104–50, \$3,400,000 are rescinded.
- 8 Of the available balances under this heading provided
- 9 in Public Law 103–331, \$355,000 are rescinded.
- 10 Environmental Compliance and Restoration
- 11 For necessary expenses to carry out the Coast
- 12 Guard's environmental compliance and restoration func-
- 13 tions under chapter 19 of title 14, United States Code,
- 14 \$21,000,000, to remain available until expended.
- 15 Alteration of Bridges
- 16 For necessary expenses for alteration or removal of
- 17 obstructive bridges, \$16,000,000, to remain available until
- 18 expended.
- 19 RETIRED PAY
- For retired pay, including the payment of obligations
- 21 therefor otherwise chargeable to lapsed appropriations for
- 22 this purpose, and payments under the Retired Service-
- 23 man's Family Protection and Survivor Benefits Plans, and
- 24 for payments for medical care of retired personnel and

- their dependents under the Dependents Medical Care Act 2 (10 U.S.C. ch. 55) \$608,084,000. 3 RESERVE TRAINING 4 For all necessary expenses for the Coast Guard Re-5 serve, as authorized by law; maintenance and operation 6 of facilities; and supplies, equipment, and services; 7 \$65,890,000. 8 RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION 9 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, 10 for applied scientific research, development, test, and evaluation; maintenance, rehabilitation, lease and operation of authorized 12 facilities and equipment, as by \$19,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$5,020,000 shall be derived from the Oil Spill Liability 14 15 Trust Fund: *Provided*, That there may be credited to this appropriation funds received from State and local govern-16 17 ments, other public authorities, private sources, and foreign countries, for expenses incurred for research, develop-18 ment, testing, and evaluation. 19 20 BOAT SAFETY 21 (AQUATIC RESOURCES TRUST FUND) 22 For payment of necessary expenses incurred for rec-23 reational boating safety assistance under Public Law 92–
- Safety Account and to remain available until expended:

75, as amended, \$35,000,000, to be derived from the Boat

- 1 Provided, That, notwithstanding any other provision of
- 2 law, \$5,000,000 is available only for the Coast Guard to
- 3 establish a discretionary boating safety grant program.

4 FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

5 Operations

- 6 For necessary expenses of the Federal Aviation Ad-
- 7 ministration, not otherwise provided for, including oper-
- 8 ations and research activities related to commercial space
- 9 transportation, administrative expenses for research and
- 10 development, establishment of air navigation facilities and
- 11 the operation (including leasing) and maintenance of air-
- 12 craft, and carrying out the provisions of subchapter I of
- 13 chapter 471 of title 49, United States Code, or other pro-
- 14 visions of law authorizing the obligation of funds for simi-
- 15 lar programs of airport and airway development or im-
- 16 provement, lease or purchase of four passenger motor ve-
- 17 hicles for replacement only, \$4,900,000,000, of which
- 18 \$2,742,602,000 shall be derived from the Airport and Air-
- 19 way Trust Fund: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any
- 20 other provision of law, not to exceed \$30,000,000 from
- 21 additional user fees to be established by the Administrator
- 22 of the Federal Aviation Administration shall be credited
- 23 to this appropriation as offsetting collections and used for
- 24 necessary and authorized expenses under this heading:
- 25 Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated from

- 1 the general fund shall be reduced on a dollar for dollar
- 2 basis as such offsetting collections are received during fis-
- 3 cal year 1997, to result in a final fiscal year 1997 appro-
- 4 priation from the general fund estimated at not more than
- 5 \$2,127,398,000: *Provided further*, That the only addi-
- 6 tional user fees authorized as offsetting collections are fees
- 7 for services provided to aircraft that neither take off from,
- 8 nor land in, the United States: Provided further, That
- 9 there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received
- 10 from States, counties, municipalities, foreign authorities,
- 11 other public authorities, and private sources, for expenses
- 12 incurred in the provision of agency services, including re-
- 13 ceipts for the maintenance and operation of air navigation
- 14 facilities and, for issuance, renewal or modification of cer-
- 15 tificates, including airman, aircraft, and repair station cer-
- 16 tificates, or for tests related thereto, or for processing
- 17 major repair or alteration forms: Provided further, That
- 18 funds may be used to enter into a grant agreement with
- 19 a nonprofit standard setting organization to assist in the
- 20 development of aviation safety standards: Provided fur-
- 21 ther, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available
- 22 for new applicants for the second career training program:
- 23 Provided further, That none of the funds in this Act shall
- 24 be available for paying premium pay under 5 U.S.C.
- 25 5546(a) to any Federal Aviation Administration employee

- 1 unless such employee actually performed work during the
- 2 time corresponding to such premium pay: Provided fur-
- 3 ther, That none of the funds in this Act may be obligated
- 4 or expended to operate a manned auxiliary flight service
- 5 station in the contiguous United States: Provided further,
- 6 That none of the funds derived from the Airport and Air-
- 7 way Trust Fund may be used to support the operations
- 8 and activities of the Associate Administrator for Commer-
- 9 cial Space Transportation.
- 10 FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT
- 11 (AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)
- For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,
- 13 for acquisition, establishment, and improvement by con-
- 14 tract or purchase, and hire of air navigation and experi-
- 15 mental facilities and equipment as authorized under part
- 16 A of subtitle VII of title 49, United States Code, including
- 17 initial acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; en-
- 18 gineering and service testing, including construction of
- 19 test facilities and acquisition of necessary sites by lease
- 20 or grant; and construction and furnishing of quarters and
- 21 related accommodations for officers and employees of the
- 22 Federal Aviation Administration stationed at remote local-
- 23 ities where such accommodations are not available; and
- 24 the purchase, lease, or transfer of aircraft from funds
- 25 available under this head; to be derived from the Airport

- 1 and Airway Trust Fund, \$1,800,000,000, of which
- 2 \$1,583,000,000 shall remain available until September 30,
- 3 1999, and of which \$217,000,000 shall remain available
- 4 until September 30, 1997: Provided, That there may be
- 5 credited to this appropriation funds received from States,
- 6 counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and pri-
- 7 vate sources, for expenses incurred in the establishment
- 8 and modernization of air navigation facilities.
- 9 Research, Engineering, and Development
- 10 (AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)
- 11 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,
- 12 for research, engineering, and development, as authorized
- 13 under part A of subtitle VII of title 49, United States
- 14 Code, including construction of experimental facilities and
- 15 acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant,
- 16 \$185,000,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway
- 17 Trust Fund and to remain available until September 30,
- 18 1999: Provided, That there may be credited to this appro-
- 19 priation funds received from States, counties, municipali-
- 20 ties, other public authorities, and private sources, for ex-
- 21 penses incurred for research, engineering, and develop-
- 22 ment.

1	Grants-in-Aid for Airports
2	(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
3	(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)
4	For liquidation of obligations incurred for grants-in-
5	aid for airport planning and development, and for noise
6	compatibility planning and programs as authorized under
7	subchapter I of chapter 471 and subchapter I of chapter
8	475 of title 49, United States Code, and under other law
9	authorizing such obligations, \$1,500,000,000, to be de-
10	rived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to re-
11	main available until expended: Provided, That none of the
12	funds in this Act shall be available for the planning or
13	execution of programs the obligations for which are in ex-
14	cess of \$1,300,000,000 in fiscal year 1997 for grants-in-
15	aid for airport planning and development, and noise com-
16	patibility planning and programs, notwithstanding section
17	47117(h) of title 49, United States Code.
18	AVIATION INSURANCE REVOLVING FUND
19	The Secretary of Transportation is hereby authorized
20	to make such expenditures and investments, within the
21	limits of funds available pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 44307, and
22	in accordance with section 104 of the Government Cor-
23	poration Control Act, as amended (31 U.S.C. 9104), as
24	may be necessary in carrying out the program for aviation

1	insurance activities under chapter 443 of title 49, United
2	States Code.
3	AIRCRAFT PURCHASE LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM
4	None of the funds in this Act shall be available for
5	activities under this heading during fiscal year 1997.
6	FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
7	LIMITATION ON GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES
8	Necessary expenses for administration, operation, in-
9	cluding motor carrier safety program operations, and re-
10	search of the Federal Highway Administration not to ex-
11	ceed \$510,981,000 shall be paid in accordance with law
12	from appropriations made available by this Act to the Fed-
13	eral Highway Administration together with advances and
14	reimbursements received by the Federal Highway Admin-
15	istration: Provided, That \$214,698,000 of the amount pro-
16	vided herein shall remain available until September 30,
17	1999.
18	HIGHWAY-RELATED SAFETY GRANTS
19	(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
20	(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
21	For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out
22	the provisions of title 23, United States Code, section 402
23	administered by the Federal Highway Administration, to
24	remain available until expended, \$2,049,000 to be derived
25	from the Highway Trust Fund.

1	Federal-Aid Highways
2	(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)
3	(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
4	None of the funds in this Act shall be available for
5	the implementation or execution of programs the obliga-
6	tions for which are in excess of \$17,550,000,000 for Fed-
7	eral-aid highways and highway safety construction pro-
8	grams for fiscal year 1997.
9	Federal-Aid Highways
10	(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
11	(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
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12	For carrying out the provisions of title 23, United
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12 13 14	For carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, that are attributable to Federal-aid high-
12	For carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, that are attributable to Federal-aid highways, including the National Scenic and Recreational
12 13 14 15	For carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, that are attributable to Federal-aid highways, including the National Scenic and Recreational Highway as authorized by 23 U.S.C. 148, not otherwise
12 13 14 15	For carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, that are attributable to Federal-aid highways, including the National Scenic and Recreational Highway as authorized by 23 U.S.C. 148, not otherwise provided, including reimbursements for sums expended
112 113 114 115 116	For carrying out the provisions of title 23, United States Code, that are attributable to Federal-aid highways, including the National Scenic and Recreational Highway as authorized by 23 U.S.C. 148, not otherwise provided, including reimbursements for sums expended pursuant to the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 308,

1	RIGHT-OF-WAY REVOLVING FUND
2	(LIMITATION ON DIRECT LOANS)
3	(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
4	None of the funds under this head are available for
5	obligations for right-of-way acquisition during fiscal year
6	1997.
7	Motor Carrier Safety Grants
8	(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
9	(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
10	For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out
11	49 U.S.C. 31102, \$74,000,000, to be derived from the
12	Highway Trust Fund and to remain available until ex-
13	pended: Provided, That none of the funds in this Act shall
14	be available for the implementation or execution of pro-
15	grams the obligations for which are in excess of
16	\$77,425,000 for "Motor Carrier Safety Grants".
17	NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY
18	ADMINISTRATION
19	OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH
20	For expenses necessary to discharge the functions of
21	the Secretary with respect to traffic and highway safety
22	under part C of subtitle VI of title 49, United States Code,
23	and chapter 301 of title 49, United States Code
24	\$81,895,000, of which \$45,646,000 shall remain available
25	until September 30, 1999: Provided, That none of the

- 1 funds appropriated by this Act may be obligated or ex-
- 2 pended to plan, finalize, or implement any rulemaking to
- 3 add to section 575.104 of title 49 of the Code of Federal
- 4 Regulations any requirement pertaining to a grading
- 5 standard that is different from the three grading stand-
- 6 ards (treadwear, traction, and temperature resistance) al-
- 7 ready in effect.
- 8 OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH
- 9 (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
- For expenses necessary to discharge the functions of
- 11 the Secretary with respect to traffic and highway safety
- 12 under 23 U.S.C. 403 and section 2006 of the Intermodal
- 13 Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (Public
- 14 Law 102–240), to be derived from the Highway Trust
- 15 Fund, \$50,377,000, of which \$27,066,000 shall remain
- 16 available until September 30, 1999.
- 17 Highway Traffic Safety Grants
- 18 (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
- 19 (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
- For payment of obligations incurred carrying out the
- 21 provisions of 23 U.S.C. 153, 402, 408, and 410, chapter
- 22 303 of title 49, United States Code, and section 209 of
- 23 Public Law 95–599, as amended, to remain available until
- 24 expended, \$167,100,000, to be derived from the Highway
- 25 Trust Fund: Provided, That, notwithstanding subsection

- 1 2009(b) of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Effi-
- 2 ciency Act of 1991, none of the funds in this Act shall
- 3 be available for the planning or execution of programs the
- 4 total obligations for which, in fiscal year 1997, are in ex-
- 5 cess of \$167,100,000 for programs authorized under 23
- 6 U.S.C. 402 and 410, as amended, of which \$127,700,000
- 7 shall be for "State and community highway safety
- 8 grants", \$2,400,000 shall be for the "National Driver
- 9 Register", \$11,000,000 shall be for highway safety grants
- 10 as authorized by section 1003(a)(7) of Public Law 102–
- 11 240, and \$26,000,000 shall be for section 410 "Alcohol-
- 12 impaired driving counter-measures programs": Provided
- 13 further, That none of these funds shall be used for con-
- 14 struction, rehabilitation or remodeling costs, or for office
- 15 furnishings and fixtures for State, local, or private build-
- 16 ings or structures: Provided further, That not to exceed
- 17 \$5,268,000 of the funds made available for section 402
- 18 may be available for administering "State and community
- 19 highway safety grants": Provided further, That not to ex-
- 20 ceed \$150,000 of the funds made available for section 402
- 21 may be available for administering the highway safety
- 22 grants authorized by section 1003(a)(7) of Public Law
- 23 102–240: Provided further, That the unobligated balances
- 24 of the appropriation "Highway-Related Safety Grants"
- 25 shall be transferred to and merged with this "Highway

- 1 Traffic Safety Grants" appropriation: Provided further,
- 2 That not to exceed \$500,000 of the funds made available
- 3 for section 410 "Alcohol-impaired driving counter-meas-
- 4 ures programs" shall be available for technical assistance
- 5 to the States.

6 FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

- 7 Office of the Administrator
- 8 For necessary expenses of the Federal Railroad Ad-
- 9 ministration, not otherwise provided for, \$16,469,000, of
- 10 which \$1,523,000 shall remain available until expended:
- 11 Provided, That none of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
- 12 able for the planning or execution of a program making
- 13 commitments to guarantee new loans under the Emer-
- 14 gency Rail Services Act of 1970, as amended, and no new
- 15 commitments to guarantee loans under section 211(a) or
- 16 211(h) of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973,
- 17 as amended, shall be made: Provided further, That, as part
- 18 of the Washington Union Station transaction in which the
- 19 Secretary assumed the first deed of trust on the property
- 20 and, where the Union Station Redevelopment Corporation
- 21 or any successor is obligated to make payments on such
- 22 deed of trust on the Secretary's behalf, including pay-
- 23 ments on and after September 30, 1988, the Secretary
- 24 is authorized to receive such payments directly from the
- 25 Union Station Redevelopment Corporation, credit them to

- 1 the appropriation charged for the first deed of trust, and
- 2 make payments on the first deed of trust with those funds:
- 3 Provided further, That such additional sums as may be
- 4 necessary for payment on the first deed of trust may be
- 5 advanced by the Administrator from unobligated balances
- 6 available to the Federal Railroad Administration, to be re-
- 7 imbursed from payments received from the Union Station
- 8 Redevelopment Corporation.

9 RAILROAD SAFETY

- 10 For necessary expenses in connection with railroad
- 11 safety, not otherwise provided for, \$51,407,000, of which
- 12 \$2,476,000 shall remain available until expended: Pro-
- 13 vided, That notwithstanding any other law, funds appro-
- 14 priated under this heading are available for the reimburse-
- 15 ment of out-of-state travel and per diem costs incurred
- 16 by employees of state governments directly supporting the
- 17 Federal railroad safety program, including regulatory de-
- 18 velopment and compliance-related activities.
- 19 RAILROAD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
- For necessary expenses for railroad research and de-
- 21 velopment, \$20,341,000, to remain available until ex-
- 22 pended.
- 23 HIGH-SPEED RAIL TRAINSETS AND FACILITIES
- 24 For the National Railroad Passenger Corporation,
- 25 \$80,000,000, to remain available until September 30,

- 1 1999, to pursue public/private partnerships for high-speed
- 2 rail trainset and maintenance facility financing arrange-
- 3 ments.
- 4 Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement
- 5 Program
- 6 The Secretary of Transportation is authorized to
- 7 issue to the Secretary of the Treasury notes or other obli-
- 8 gations pursuant to section 512 of the Railroad Revitaliza-
- 9 tion and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Public Law 94–
- 10 210), as amended, in such amounts and at such times as
- 11 may be necessary to pay any amounts required pursuant
- 12 to the guarantee of the principal amount of obligations
- 13 under sections 511 through 513 of such Act, such author-
- 14 ity to exist as long as any such guaranteed obligation is
- 15 outstanding: Provided, That no new loan guarantee com-
- 16 mitments shall be made during fiscal year 1997.
- 17 NEXT GENERATION HIGH-SPEED RAIL
- 18 For necessary expenses for Next Generation High-
- 19 Speed Rail studies, corridor planning, development, dem-
- 20 onstration, and implementation, \$19,757,000, to remain
- 21 available until expended: Provided, That funds under this
- 22 head may be made available for grants to States for high-
- 23 speed rail corridor design, feasibility studies, environ-
- 24 mental analyses, and track and signal improvements.

1	Trust Fund Share of Next Generation High-
2	Speed Rail
3	(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
4	(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
5	For grants and payment of obligations incurred in car-
6	rying out the provisions of the High-Speed Ground Trans-
7	portation program as defined in subsections 1036(c) and
8	1036(d)(1)(B) of the Intermodal Surface Transportation
9	Efficiency Act of 1991, including planning and environ-
10	mental analyses, \$2,855,000, to be derived from the High-
11	way Trust Fund and to remain available until expended.
12	RHODE ISLAND RAIL DEVELOPMENT
13	For the costs associated with construction of a third
14	track on the Northeast Corridor between Davisville and
15	Central Falls, Rhode Island, with sufficient clearance to
16	accommodate double stack freight cars, \$4,000,000 to be
17	matched by the State of Rhode Island or its designee on
18	a dollar for dollar basis and to remain available until ex-
19	pended: Provided, That as a condition of accepting such
20	funds, the Providence and Worcester (P&W) Railroad
21	shall enter into an agreement with the Secretary to reim-
22	burse Amtrak and/or the Federal Railroad Administra-
23	tion, on a dollar for dollar basis, up to the first
24	\$10,000,000 in damages resulting from the legal action
25	initiated by the P&W Railroad under its existing contracts

- 1 with Amtrak relating to the provision of vertical clearances
- 2 between Davisville and Central Falls in excess of those re-
- 3 quired for present freight operations.
- 4 Direct Loan Financing Program
- 5 Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
- 6 \$58,680,000, for direct loans not to exceed \$400,000,000
- 7 consistent with the purposes of section 505 of the Railroad
- 8 Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (45
- 9 U.S.C. 825) as in effect on September 30, 1988, to the
- 10 Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority to continue
- 11 the Alameda Corridor Project, including replacement of
- 12 at-grade rail lines with a below-grade corridor and widen-
- 13 ing of the adjacent major highway: Provided, That loans
- 14 not to exceed the following amounts shall be made on or
- 15 after the first day of the fiscal year indicated:

Fiscal year 1997	\$140,000,000
Fiscal year 1998	\$140,000,000
Fiscal year 1999	\$120,000,000

- 16 Provided further, That any loan authorized under this sec-
- 17 tion shall be structured with a maximum 30-year repay-
- 18 ment after completion of construction at an annual inter-
- 19 est rate of not to exceed the 30-year United States Treas-
- 20 ury rate and on such terms and conditions as deemed ap-
- 21 propriate by the Secretary of Transportation: Provided
- 22 further, That specific provisions of section 505(a)(b) and
- 23 (d) shall not apply: Provided further, That the Alameda
- 24 Corridor Transportation Authority shall be deemed to be

1	a financially responsible person for purposes of section
2	505 of the Act.
3	GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER
4	CORPORATION
5	To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make
6	grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation
7	authorized by 49 U.S.C. 24104, \$462,000,000, to remain
8	available until expended, of which \$342,000,000 shall be
9	available for operating losses and for mandatory passenger
10	rail service payments, and \$120,000,000 shall be for cap-
11	ital improvements: Provided, That funding under this head
12	for capital improvements shall not be made available be-
13	fore July 1, 1997: Provided further, That none of the
14	funds herein appropriated shall be used for lease or pur-
15	chase of passenger motor vehicles or for the hire of vehicle
16	operators for any officer or employee, other than the presi-
17	dent of the Corporation, excluding the lease of passenger
18	motor vehicles for those officers or employees while in offi-
19	cial travel status.
20	FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION
21	Administrative Expenses
22	For necessary administrative expenses of the Federal
23	Transit Administration's programs authorized by chapter
24	53 of title 49, United States Code, \$41,367,000.

1 FORMULA GRANTS

2	For necessary expenses to carry out 49 U.S.C. 5307,
3	5310(a)(2), 5311, and 5336, to remain available until ex-
4	pended, \$400,000,000: Provided, That no more than
5	\$2,052,925,000 of budget authority shall be available for
6	these purposes: Provided further, That of the funds pro-
7	vided under this head for formula grants, no more than
8	\$400,000,000 may be used for operating assistance under
9	49 U.S.C. 5336(d): Provided further, That the limitation
10	on operating assistance provided under this heading shall,
11	for urbanized areas of less than 200,000 in population,
12	be no less than seventy-five percent of the amount of oper-
13	ating assistance such areas are eligible to receive under
14	Public Law 103–331: Provided further, That in the dis-
15	tribution of the limitation provided under this heading to
16	urbanized areas that had a population under the 1990
17	census of 1,000,000 or more, the Secretary shall direct
18	each such area to give priority consideration to the impact
19	of reductions in operating assistance on smaller transit au-
20	thorities operating within the area and to consider the
21	needs and resources of such transit authorities when the
22	limitation is distributed among all transit authorities oper-
23	ating in the area.

1	UNIVERSITY TRANSPORTATION CENTERS
2	For necessary expenses for university transportation
3	centers as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 5317(b), to remain
4	available until expended, \$6,000,000.
5	Transit Planning and Research
6	For necessary expenses for transit planning and re-
7	search as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 5303, 5311, 5313,
8	5314, and 5315, to remain available until expended,
9	\$85,500,000, of which \$39,500,000 shall be for activities
10	under Metropolitan Planning (49 U.S.C. 5303);
11	\$4,500,000 for activities under Rural Transit Assistance
12	(49 U.S.C. 5311(b)(2)); \$8,250,000 for activities under
13	State Planning and Research (49 U.S.C. 5313(b));
14	\$22,000,000 for activities under National Planning and
15	Research (49 U.S.C. 5314); \$8,250,000 for activities
16	under Transit Cooperative Research (49 U.S.C. 5313(a));
17	and \$3,000,000 for National Transit Institute (49 U.S.C.
18	5315).
19	Trust Fund Share of Expenses
20	(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
21	(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
22	For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out
23	49 U.S.C. 5338(a), \$1,920,000,000, to remain available
24	until expended and to be derived from the Highway Trust
25	Fund: Provided, That \$1,920,000,000 shall be paid from

1	the Mass Transit Account of the Highway Trust Fund to
2	the Federal Transit Administration's formula grants ac-
3	count.
4	DISCRETIONARY GRANTS
5	(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)
6	(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
7	None of the funds in this Act shall be available for
8	the implementation or execution of programs the obliga-
9	tions for which are in excess of \$1,665,000,000 in fiscal
10	year 1997 for grants under the contract authority in 49
11	U.S.C. 5338(b): Provided, That there shall be available for
12	fixed guideway modernization, \$666,000,000; there shall
13	be available for the replacement, rehabilitation, and pur-
14	chase of buses and related equipment and the construction
15	of bus-related facilities, \$333,000,000; and, notwithstand-
16	ing any other provision of law, except for fixed guideway
17	modernization projects, \$10,510,000 made available under
18	Public Law 102–240 and Public Law 102–143 under
19	"Federal Transit Administration, Discretionary Grants"
20	for projects specified in those Acts or identified in reports
21	accompanying those Acts, not obligated by September 30
22	1996; together with, notwithstanding any other provision
23	of law, \$744,000 funds made available for the "New Bed-
24	ford and Fall River Massachusetts commuter rail exten-
25	sion" under Public Law 103–331: together with, notwith-

- 1 standing any other provision of law, \$47,322,000 funds
- 2 made available for the "Chicago Central Area Circulator
- 3 Project" in Public Law 103–122 and Public Law 103–
- 4 331, shall be made available for new fixed guideway sys-
- 5 tems together with the \$666,000,000 made available for
- 6 new fixed guideway systems in this Act, to be available
- 7 as follows:
- 8 \$66,820,000 for the Atlanta-North Springs
- 9 project:
- \$10,260,000 for the Baltimore-LRT Extension
- 11 project;
- 12 \$40,181,000 for the Boston Piers-MOS-2
- 13 project;
- \$5,500,000 for the Canton-Akron-Cleveland
- 15 commuter rail project;
- \$25,000,000, notwithstanding any other provi-
- sion of law, for transit improvements in the Chicago
- downtown area;
- 19 \$3,000,000 for the Cincinnati Northeast-North-
- 20 ern Kentucky rail line project;
- \$10,000,000 for the DART North Central light
- 22 rail extension project;
- \$12,500,000 for the Dallas-Fort Worth
- 24 RAILTRAN project;

1	\$1,000,000 for the DeKalb County, Georgia
2	light rail project;
3	\$3,000,000 for the Denver Southwest Corridor
4	project;
5	\$9,000,000 for the Florida Tri-County com-
6	muter rail project;
7	\$2,000,000 for the Griffin light rail project;
8	\$40,590,000 for the Houston Regional Bus
9	project;
10	\$15,300,000 for the Jacksonville ASE extension
11	project;
12	\$1,500,000 for the Kansas City Southtown cor-
13	ridor project;
14	\$90,000,000 for the Los Angeles-MOS-3
15	project;
16	\$1,500,000 for the Los Angeles-San Diego com-
17	muter rail project;
18	\$27,000,000 for the MARC Commuter Rail Im-
19	provements project;
20	\$1,000,000 for the Miami-North 27th Avenue
21	project;
22	\$2,000,000 for the Memphis, Tennessee Re-
23	gional Rail Plan;
24	\$10,000,000 for the New Jersey Urban Core/
25	Hudson-Bergen LRT project;

1	\$105,530,000 for the New Jersey Urban Core/
2	Secaucus project;
3	\$1,000,000 for the New Jersey West Trenton
4	commuter rail project;
5	\$8,000,000 for the New Orleans Canal Street
6	Corridor project;
7	\$2,000,000 for the New Orleans Desire Street-
8	car project;
9	\$35,020,000 for the New York-Queens Connec-
10	tion project;
11	\$500,000 for the Northern Indiana commuter
12	rail project;
13	\$5,000,000 for the Orange County transitway
14	project;
15	\$2,000,000 for the Orlando Lynx light rail
16	project;
17	\$90,000,000 for the Portland-Westside/Hills-
18	boro Extension project;
19	\$6,000,000 for the Sacramento LRT Extension
20	project;
21	\$20,000,000 for the Salt Lake City-South LRT
22	project, of which not less than \$10,000,000 shall be
23	available only for high-occupancy vehicle lane and
24	corridor design costs;

1	\$20,000,000 for the St. Louis-St. Clair Exten-
2	sion project;
3	\$35,000,000 for the San Francisco Area-BART
4	airport extension/San Jose Tasman West LRT
5	projects;
6	\$3,000,000 for the San Diego-Mid-Coast Cor-
7	ridor project;
8	\$9,500,000 for the San Juan Tren Urbano
9	project;
10	\$375,000 for the Staten Island-Midtown Ferry
11	service project;
12	\$2,000,000 for the Tampa to Lakeland com-
13	muter rail project; and
14	\$2,500,000 for the Whitehall ferry terminal
15	New York, New York.
16	Mass Transit Capital Fund
17	(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
18	(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
19	For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out
20	49 U.S.C. 5338(b) administered by the Federal Transit
21	Administration, \$2,000,000,000, to be derived from the
22	Highway Trust Fund and to remain available until ex-
23	pended.

1	Washington Metropolitan Area Transit
2	AUTHORITY
3	For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions
4	of section 14 of Public Law 96–184 and Public Law 101–
5	551, \$200,000,000, to remain available until expended.
6	SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT
7	CORPORATION
8	The Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corpora-
9	tion is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, with-
10	in the limits of funds and borrowing authority available
11	to the Corporation, and in accord with law, and to make
12	such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal
13	year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Govern-
14	ment Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be
15	necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the
16	Corporation's budget for the current fiscal year.
17	Operations and Maintenance
18	(HARBOR MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND)
19	For necessary expenses for operation and maintenance
20	of those portions of the Saint Lawrence Seaway operated
21	and maintained by the Saint Lawrence Seaway Develop-
22	ment Corporation, including the Great Lakes Pilotage
23	functions delegated by the Secretary of Transportation,
24	\$10,037,000, to be derived from the Harbor Maintenance
25	Trust Fund, pursuant to Public Law 99–662.

1	RESEARCH AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS
2	ADMINISTRATION
3	RESEARCH AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS
4	For expenses necessary to discharge the functions of
5	the Research and Special Programs Administration,
6	\$23,929,000, of which \$574,000 shall be derived from the
7	Pipeline Safety Fund, and of which \$7,101,000 shall re-
8	main available until September 30, 1999: Provided, That
9	up to \$1,200,000 in fees collected under 49 U.S.C.
10	5108(g) shall be deposited in the general fund of the
11	Treasury as offsetting receipts: Provided further, That
12	there may be credited to this appropriation funds received
13	from States, counties, municipalities, other public authori-
14	ties, and private sources for expenses incurred for train-
15	ing, for reports publication and dissemination.
16	PIPELINE SAFETY
17	(PIPELINE SAFETY FUND)
18	For expenses necessary to conduct the functions of the
19	pipeline safety program, for grants-in-aid to carry out a
20	pipeline safety program, as authorized by 49 U.S.C.
21	60107, and to discharge the pipeline program responsibil-
22	ities of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, \$30,988,000, of
23	which \$2,528,000 shall be derived from the Oil Spill Li-
24	ability Trust Fund and shall remain available until Sep-
25	tember 30, 1999; and of which \$28,460,000 shall be de-

- 1 rived from the Pipeline Safety Fund, of which
- 2 \$15,500,000 shall remain available until September 30,
- 3 1999: Provided, That in addition to amounts made avail-
- 4 able for the Pipeline Safety Fund, \$1,000,000 shall be
- 5 available for grants to States for the development and es-
- 6 tablishment of one-call notification systems and shall be
- 7 derived from amounts previously collected under section
- 8 7005 of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation
- 9 Act of 1985.
- 10 Emergency Preparedness Grants
- 11 (EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND)
- For necessary expenses to carry out 49 U.S.C. 5127(c),
- 13 \$200,000, to be derived from the Emergency Prepared-
- 14 ness Fund, to remain available until September 30, 1999:
- 15 Provided, That none of the funds made available by 49
- 16 U.S.C. 5116(i) and 5127(d) shall be made available for
- 17 obligation by individuals other than the Secretary of
- 18 Transportation, or his designee.
- 19 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
- 20 Salaries and Expenses
- 21 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector Gen-
- 22 eral to carry out the provisions of the Inspector General
- 23 Act of 1978, as amended, \$39,450,000: Provided, That
- 24 none of the funds under this heading shall be for the con-
- 25 duct of contract audits.

1	SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
2	Salaries and Expenses
3	For necessary expenses of the Surface Transpor-
4	tation Board, including services authorized by 5 U.S.C
5	3109, \$12,344,000: <i>Provided</i> , That \$3,000,000 in fees col-
6	lected in fiscal year 1997 by the Surface Transportation
7	Board pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9701 shall be made available
8	to this appropriation in fiscal year 1997: Provided further,
9	That any fees received in excess of \$3,000,000 in fiscal
10	year 1997 shall remain available until expended, but shall
11	not be available for obligation until October 1, 1997.
12	TITLE II
13	RELATED AGENCIES
14	ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION
15	BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD
16	Salaries and Expenses
17	For expenses necessary for the Architectural and
18	Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, as authorized
19	by section 502 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as
20	amended, \$3,540,000: Provided, That, notwithstanding
21	any other provision of law, there may be credited to this
22	appropriation funds received for publications and training
23	expenses.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD 1 2 Salaries and Expenses 3 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 6 diem rate equivalent to the rate for a GS-18; uniforms, 8 or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901–5902), \$42,407,000, of which not to exceed \$2,000 10 may be used for official reception and representation ex-11 penses. 12 TITLE III—GENERAL PROVISIONS 13 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) 14 SEC. 301. During the current fiscal year applicable 15 appropriations to the Department of Transportation shall be available for maintenance and operation of aircraft; 16 hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; purchase of liability insurance for motor vehicles operating in foreign countries on official department business; and uniforms, 19 or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 20 21 5901-5902). 22 SEC. 302. Such sums as may be necessary for fiscal year 1997 pay raises for programs funded in this Act shall be absorbed within the levels appropriated in this Act or previous appropriations Acts.

- 1 Sec. 303. Funds appropriated under this Act for ex-
- 2 penditures by the Federal Aviation Administration shall
- 3 be available (1) except as otherwise authorized by title
- 4 VIII of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of
- 5 1965, 20 U.S.C. 7701, et seq., for expenses of primary
- 6 and secondary schooling for dependents of Federal Avia-
- 7 tion Administration personnel stationed outside the con-
- 8 tinental United States at costs for any given area not in
- 9 excess of those of the Department of Defense for the same
- 10 area, when it is determined by the Secretary that the
- 11 schools, if any, available in the locality are unable to pro-
- 12 vide adequately for the education of such dependents, and
- 13 (2) for transportation of said dependents between schools
- 14 serving the area that they attend and their places of resi-
- 15 dence when the Secretary, under such regulations as may
- 16 be prescribed, determines that such schools are not acces-
- 17 sible by public means of transportation on a regular basis.
- 18 Sec. 304. Appropriations contained in this Act for
- 19 the Department of Transportation shall be available for
- 20 services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for
- 21 individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to
- 22 the rate for an Executive Level IV.
- Sec. 305. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
- 24 able for salaries and expenses of more than one hundred
- 25 seven political and Presidential appointees in the Depart-

- 1 ment of Transportation: *Provided*, That none of the per-
- 2 sonnel covered by this provision may be assigned on tem-
- 3 porary detail outside the Department of Transportation.
- 4 Sec. 306. None of the funds in this Act shall be used
- 5 for the planning or execution of any program to pay the
- 6 expenses of, or otherwise compensate, non-Federal parties
- 7 intervening in regulatory or adjudicatory proceedings
- 8 funded in this Act.
- 9 Sec. 307. None of the funds appropriated in this Act
- 10 shall remain available for obligation beyond the current
- 11 fiscal year, nor may any be transferred to other appropria-
- 12 tions, unless expressly so provided herein.
- 13 Sec. 308. The Secretary of Transportation may enter
- 14 into grants, cooperative agreements, and other trans-
- 15 actions with any person, agency, or instrumentality of the
- 16 United States, any unit of State or local government, any
- 17 educational institution, and any other entity in execution
- 18 of the Technology Reinvestment Project authorized under
- 19 the Defense Conversion, Reinvestment and Transition As-
- 20 sistance Act of 1992 and related legislation: Provided,
- 21 That the authority provided in this section may be exer-
- 22 cised without regard to section 3324 of title 31, United
- 23 States Code.
- SEC. 309. The expenditure of any appropriation
- 25 under this Act for any consulting service through procure-

- 1 ment contract pursuant to section 3109 of title 5, United
- 2 States Code, shall be limited to those contracts where such
- 3 expenditures are a matter of public record and available
- 4 for public inspection, except where otherwise provided
- 5 under existing law, or under existing Executive order is-
- 6 sued pursuant to existing law.
- 7 Sec. 310. (a) For fiscal year 1997 the Secretary of
- 8 Transportation shall distribute the obligation limitation
- 9 for Federal-aid highways by allocation in the ratio which
- 10 sums authorized to be appropriated for Federal-aid high-
- 11 ways that are apportioned or allocated to each State for
- 12 such fiscal year bear to the total of the sums authorized
- 13 to be appropriated for Federal-aid highways that are ap-
- 14 portioned or allocated to all the States for such fiscal year.
- 15 (b) During the period October 1 through December
- 16 31, 1996, no State shall obligate more than 25 per centum
- 17 of the amount distributed to such State under subsection
- 18 (a), and the total of all State obligations during such pe-
- 19 riod shall not exceed 12 per centum of the total amount
- 20 distributed to all States under such subsection.
- (c) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b), the Sec-
- 22 retary shall—
- 23 (1) provide all States with authority sufficient
- 24 to prevent lapses of sums authorized to be appro-

- priated for Federal-aid highways that have been apportioned to a State;
- (2) after August 1, 1997, revise a distribution of the funds made available under subsection (a) if a State will not obligate the amount distributed dur-ing that fiscal year and redistribute sufficient amounts to those States able to obligate amounts in addition to those previously distributed during that fiscal year giving priority to those States having large unobligated balances of funds apportioned under sections 103(e)(4), 104, and 144 of title 23, United States Code, and under sections 1013(c) and 1015 of Public Law 102–240; and
 - (3) not distribute amounts authorized for administrative expenses and funded from the administrative takedown authorized by section 104(a), title 23 U.S.C., the Federal lands highway program, the intelligent transportation systems program, and amounts made available under sections 1040, 1047, 1064, 6001, 6005, 6006, 6023, and 6024 of Public Law 102–240, and 49 U.S.C. 5316, 5317, and 5338: *Provided*, That amounts made available under section 6005 of Public Law 102–240 shall be subject to the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways

- and highway safety construction programs under the
- 2 head "Federal-Aid Highways" in this Act.
- 3 (d) During the period October 1 through December
- 4 31, 1996, the aggregate amount of obligations under sec-
- 5 tion 157 of title 23, United States Code, for projects cov-
- 6 ered under section 147 of the Surface Transportation As-
- 7 sistance Act of 1978, section 9 of the Federal-Aid High-
- 8 way Act of 1981, sections 131(b), 131(j), and 404 of Pub-
- 9 lie Law 97–424, sections 1061, 1103 through 1108, 4008,
- 10 and 6023(b)(8) and 6023(b)(10) of Public Law 102-240,
- 11 and for projects authorized by Public Law 99-500 and
- 12 Public Law 100–17, shall not exceed \$277,431,840.
- (e) During the period August 2 through September
- 14 30, 1997, the aggregate amount which may be obligated
- 15 by all States shall not exceed 2.5 percent of the aggregate
- 16 amount of funds apportioned or allocated to all States—
- 17 (1) under sections 104 and 144 of title 23,
- 18 United States Code, and 1013(c) and 1015 of Public
- 19 Law 102–240, and
- 20 (2) for highway assistance projects under sec-
- 21 tion 103(e)(4) of title 23, United States Code,
- 22 which would not be obligated in fiscal year 1997 if the
- 23 total amount of the obligation limitation provided for such
- 24 fiscal year in this Act were utilized.

- 1 (f) Paragraph (e) shall not apply to any State which
- 2 on or after August 1, 1997, has the amount distributed
- 3 to such State under paragraph (a) for fiscal year 1997
- 4 reduced under paragraph (c)(2).
- 5 Sec. 311. The limitation on obligations for the pro-
- 6 grams of the Federal Transit Administration shall not
- 7 apply to any authority under 49 U.S.C. 5338, previously
- 8 made available for obligation, or to any other authority
- 9 previously made available for obligation under the discre-
- 10 tionary grants program.
- 11 Sec. 312. None of the funds in this Act shall be used
- 12 to implement section 404 of title 23, United States Code.
- 13 Sec. 313. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
- 14 able to plan, finalize, or implement regulations that would
- 15 establish a vessel traffic safety fairway less than five miles
- 16 wide between the Santa Barbara Traffic Separation
- 17 Scheme and the San Francisco Traffic Separation
- 18 Scheme.
- 19 Sec. 314. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 20 law, airports may transfer, without consideration, to the
- 21 Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) instrument land-
- 22 ing systems (along with associated approach lighting
- 23 equipment and runway visual range equipment) which
- 24 conform to FAA design and performance specifications,
- 25 the purchase of which was assisted by a Federal airport

- 1 aid program, airport development aid program or airport
- 2 improvement program grant. The FAA shall accept such
- 3 equipment, which shall thereafter be operated and main-
- 4 tained by the FAA in accordance with agency criteria.
- 5 Sec. 315. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
- 6 able to award a multiyear contract for production end
- 7 items that (1) includes economic order quantity or long
- 8 lead time material procurement in excess of \$10,000,000
- 9 in any one year of the contract or (2) includes a cancella-
- 10 tion charge greater than \$10,000,000 which at the time
- 11 of obligation has not been appropriated to the limits of
- 12 the government's liability or (3) includes a requirement
- 13 that permits performance under the contract during the
- 14 second and subsequent years of the contract without con-
- 15 ditioning such performance upon the appropriation of
- 16 funds: Provided, That this limitation does not apply to a
- 17 contract in which the Federal Government incurs no fi-
- 18 nancial liability from not buying additional systems, sub-
- 19 systems, or components beyond the basic contract require-
- 20 ments.
- 21 Sec. 316. None of the funds provided in this Act
- 22 shall be made available for planning and executing a pas-
- 23 senger manifest program by the Department of Transpor-
- 24 tation that only applies to United States flag carriers.

- 1 Sec. 317. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 2 law, and except for fixed guideway modernization projects,
- 3 funds made available by this Act under "Federal Transit
- 4 Administration, Discretionary grants" for projects speci-
- 5 fied in this Act or identified in reports accompanying this
- 6 Act not obligated by September 30, 1999, shall be made
- 7 available for other projects under 49 U.S.C. 5309.
- 8 Sec. 318. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 9 law, any funds appropriated before October 1, 1993, under
- 10 any section of chapter 53 of title 49 U.S.C., that remain
- 11 available for expenditure may be transferred to and ad-
- 12 ministered under the most recent appropriation heading
- 13 for any such section.
- 14 Sec. 319. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
- 15 able to implement or enforce regulations that would result
- 16 in the withdrawal of a slot from an air carrier at O'Hare
- 17 International Airport under section 93.223 of title 14 of
- 18 the Code of Federal Regulations in excess of the total slots
- 19 withdrawn from that air carrier as of October 31, 1993
- 20 if such additional slot is to be allocated to an air carrier
- 21 or foreign air carrier under section 93.217 of title 14 of
- 22 the Code of Federal Regulations.
- Sec. 320. None of the funds in this Act may be used
- 24 to compensate in excess of 335 technical staff years under
- 25 the federally-funded research and development center

- 1 contract between the Federal Aviation Administration
- 2 and the Center for Advanced Aviation Systems Develop-
- 3 ment during fiscal year 1997.
- 4 Sec. 321. Funds provided in this Act for the Trans-
- 5 portation Administrative Service Center (TASC) shall be
- 6 reduced by \$10,000,000, which limits fiscal year 1997
- 7 TASC obligational authority for elements of the Depart-
- 8 ment of Transportation funded in this Act to no more
- 9 than \$114,812,000: Provided, That such reductions from
- 10 the budget request shall be allocated by the Department
- 11 of Transportation to each appropriations account in pro-
- 12 portion to the amount included in each account for the
- 13 transportation administrative service center.
- 14 Sec. 322. Funds received by the Federal Highway
- 15 Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and Fed-
- 16 eral Railroad Administration from States, counties, mu-
- 17 nicipalities, other public authorities, and private sources
- 18 for expenses incurred for training may be credited respec-
- 19 tively to the Federal Highway Administration's "Limita-
- 20 tion on General Operating Expenses" account, the Federal
- 21 Transit Administration's "Transit Planning and Re-
- 22 search" account, and to the Federal Railroad Administra-
- 23 tion's "Railroad Safety" account, except for State rail
- 24 safety inspectors participating in training pursuant to 49
- 25 U.S.C. 20105.

- 1 Sec. 323. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
- 2 able to prepare, propose, or promulgate any regulations
- 3 pursuant to title V of the Motor Vehicle Information and
- 4 Cost Savings Act (49 U.S.C. 32901, et seq.) prescribing
- 5 corporate average fuel economy standards for automobiles,
- 6 as defined in such title, in any model year that differs
- 7 from standards promulgated for such automobiles prior to
- 8 enactment of this section.
- 9 Sec. 324. None of the funds in this Act may be used
- 10 for planning, engineering, design, or construction of a
- 11 sixth runway at the new Denver International Airport,
- 12 Denver, Colorado: *Provided*, That this provision shall not
- 13 apply in any case where the Administrator of the Federal
- 14 Aviation Administration determines, in writing, that safe-
- 15 ty conditions warrant obligation of such funds.
- SEC. 325. Notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, funds re-
- 17 ceived by the Bureau of Transportation Statistics from the
- 18 sale of data products, for necessary expenses incurred pur-
- 19 suant to the provisions of section 6006 of the Intermodal
- 20 Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, may be
- 21 credited to the Federal-aid highways account for the pur-
- 22 pose of reimbursing the Bureau for such expenses: Pro-
- 23 vided, That such funds shall not be subject to the obliga-
- 24 tion limitation for Federal-aid highways and highway safe-
- 25 ty construction: Provided further, That in addition to

- 1 amounts otherwise provided in this Act, not to exceed
- 2 \$3,100,000 in expenses of the Bureau of Transportation
- 3 Statistics necessary to conduct activities related to airline
- 4 statistics may be incurred, but only to the extent such ex-
- 5 penses are offset by user fees charged for those activities
- 6 and credited as offsetting collections.
- 7 Sec. 326. The Secretary of Transportation is author-
- 8 ized to transfer funds appropriated in this Act to "Rental
- 9 payments" for any expense authorized by that appropria-
- 10 tion in excess of the amounts provided in this Act: Pro-
- 11 vided, That prior to any such transfer, notification shall
- 12 be provided to the House and Senate Committees on Ap-
- 13 propriations.
- 14 Sec. 327. None of the funds in this Act may be obli-
- 15 gated or expended for employee training which: (a) does
- 16 not meet identified needs for knowledge, skills and abilities
- 17 bearing directly upon the performance of official duties;
- 18 (b) contains elements likely to induce high levels of emo-
- 19 tional response or psychological stress in some partici-
- 20 pants; (c) does not require prior employee notification of
- 21 the content and methods to be used in the training and
- 22 written end of course evaluations; (d) contains any meth-
- 23 ods or content associated with religious or quasi-religious
- 24 belief systems or "new age" belief systems as defined in
- 25 Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Notice N-

- 1 915.022, dated September 2, 1988; (e) is offensive to, or
- 2 designed to change, participants' personal values or life-
- 3 style outside the workplace; or (f) includes content related
- 4 to human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immune defi-
- 5 ciency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) other than that necessary
- 6 to make employees more aware of the medical ramifica-
- 7 tions of HIV/AIDS and the workplace rights of HIV-posi-
- 8 tive employees.
- 9 Sec. 328. None of the funds in this Act shall, in the
- 10 absence of express authorization by Congress, be used di-
- 11 rectly or indirectly to pay for any personal service, adver-
- 12 tisement, telegram, telephone, letter, printed or written
- 13 matter, or other device, intended or designed to influence
- 14 in any manner a Member of Congress, to favor or oppose,
- 15 by vote or otherwise, any legislation or appropriation by
- 16 Congress, whether before or after the introduction of any
- 17 bill or resolution proposing such legislation or appropria-
- 18 tion: Provided, That this shall not prevent officers or em-
- 19 ployees of the Department of Transportation or related
- 20 agencies funded in this Act from communicating to Mem-
- 21 bers of Congress on the request of any Member or to Con-
- 22 gress, through the proper official channels, requests for
- 23 legislation or appropriations which they deem necessary
- 24 for the efficient conduct of the public business.

- 1 Sec. 329. None of the funds in this Act may be used
- 2 to support Federal Transit Administration's field oper-
- 3 ations and oversight of the Washington Metropolitan Area
- 4 Transit Authority in any location other than from the
- 5 Washington, D.C. metropolitan area.
- 6 Sec. 330. None of the funds made available in this
- 7 Act may be used for improvements to the Miller Highway
- 8 in New York City, New York.
- 9 Sec. 331. Not to exceed \$850,000 of the funds pro-
- 10 vided in this Act for the Department of Transportation
- 11 shall be available for the necessary expenses of advisory
- 12 committees.
- 13 Sec. 332. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 14 law, the Secretary may use funds appropriated under this
- 15 Act, or any subsequent Act, to administer and implement
- 16 the exemption provisions of 49 CFR 580.6 and to adopt
- 17 or amend exemptions from the disclosure requirements of
- 18 49 CFR part 580 for any class or category of vehicles
- 19 that the Secretary deems appropriate.
- 20 Sec. 333. No funds other than those appropriated
- 21 to the Surface Transportation Board shall be used for con-
- 22 ducting the activities of the Board.
- SEC. 334. None of the funds made available in this
- 24 Act may be used to construct, or to pay the salaries or
- 25 expenses of Department of Transportation personnel who

- 1 approve or facilitate the construction of, a third track on
- 2 the Metro-North Railroad Harlem Line in the vicinity of
- 3 Bronxville, New York, when it is made known to the Fed-
- 4 eral official having authority to obligate or expend such
- 5 funds that a final environmental impact statement has not
- 6 been completed for such construction project.
- 7 SEC. 335. Section 5328(c)(1)(E) of title 49, United
- 8 States Code, is amended—
- 9 (1) by striking "Westside" the first place it ap-
- 10 pears;
- 11 (2) by striking "and" after "101–584,"; and
- 12 (3) by inserting before the period at the end the
- following: ", and the locally preferred alternative for
- the South/North Corridor Project".
- 15 Sec. 336. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 16 law, of the funds made available to Cleveland for the
- 17 "Cleveland Dual Hub Corridor Project" or "Cleveland
- 18 Dual Hub Rail Project," \$4,023,030 in funds made avail-
- 19 able in fiscal years 1991, 1992, and 1994, under Public
- 20 Laws 101–516, 102–143, 102–240, 103–122, and accom-
- 21 panying reports, shall be made available for the Berea Red
- 22 Line Extension and the Euclid Corridor Improvement
- 23 projects.
- Sec. 337. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 25 law, funds made available under section 3035(kk) of Pub-

- 1 lie Law 102–240 for fiscal year 1997 to the State of
- 2 Michigan shall be for the purchase of buses and bus-relat-
- 3 ed equipment and facilities.
- 4 Sec. 338. In addition to amounts otherwise provided
- 5 in this Act, there is hereby appropriated \$2,400,000 for
- 6 activities of the National Civil Aviation Review Commis-
- 7 sion, to remain available until expended.
- 8 Sec. 339. Section 423 of H.R. 1361, as passed the
- 9 House of Representatives on May 9, 1995, is hereby en-
- 10 acted into law.

11 TITLE IV—MISCELLANEOUS HIGHWAY

- 12 PROVISIONS
- 13 Sec. 401. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 14 law, semitrailer units operating in a truck tractor-
- 15 semitrailer combination whose semitrailer unit is more
- 16 than forty-eight feet in length and truck tractor-
- 17 semitrailer-trailer combinations specified in section
- 18 31111(b)(1) of title 49, United States Code, may not oper-
- 19 ate on United States Route 15 in Virginia between the
- 20 Maryland border and the intersection with United States
- 21 Route 29.
- Sec. 402. Item 30 of the table contained in section
- 23 1107(b) of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Effi-
- 24 ciency Act of 1991 (105 Stat. 2050), relating to Mobile,
- 25 Alabama, is amended in the second column by inserting

- 1 after "Alabama" the following: "and for feasibility studies,
- 2 preliminary engineering, and construction of a new bridge
- 3 and approaches over the Mobile River".
- 4 Sec. 403. Item 94 of the table contained in section
- 5 1107(b) of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Effi-
- 6 ciency Act of 1991 (105 Stat. 2052), relating to St. Thom-
- 7 as, Virgin Islands, is amended—
- 8 (1) by striking "St. Thomas,"; and
- 9 (2) by inserting after "the island" the follow-
- ing: "of St. Thomas and improvements to the VIPA
- 11 Molasses Dock intermodal port facility on the island
- of St. Croix to make the facility capable of handling
- multiple cargo tasks".
- 14 Sec. 404. The Secretary of Transportation is hereby
- 15 authorized to enter into an agreement modifying the
- 16 agreement entered into pursuant to section 336 of the De-
- 17 partment of Transportation and Related Agencies Appro-
- 18 priations Act, 1995 (Public Law 103-331) and section
- 19 356 of the Department of Transportation and Related
- 20 Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996 (Public Law 104–50)
- 21 to provide an additional line of credit not to exceed
- 22 \$25,000,000, which may be used to replace otherwise re-
- 23 quired contingency reserves; provided, however, that the
- 24 Secretary may only enter into such modification if it is
- 25 supported by the amount of the original appropriation

- 1 (provided by section 336 of Public Law 103–331). No ad-
- 2 ditional appropriation is made by this section. In imple-
- 3 menting this section, the Secretary may enter into an
- 4 agreement requiring an interest rate, on both the original
- 5 line of credit and the additional amount provided for here-
- 6 in, higher than that currently in force and higher than
- 7 that specified in the original appropriation. An agreement
- 8 entered into pursuant to this section may not obligate the
- 9 Secretary to make any funds available until all remaining
- 10 contingency reserves are exhausted, and in no event shall
- 11 any funds be made available before October 1, 1998.
- 12 Sec. 405. Public Law 100–202 is amended in the
- 13 item relating to "Traffic Improvement Demonstration
- 14 Project" by inserting after "project" the following: "or up-
- 15 grade existing local roads".
- This Act may be cited as the "Department of Trans-
- 17 portation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act,
- 18 1997".