

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S.,

November 20, 1974.

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*Resolved*, That the said bill pass, two-thirds of the House of Representatives agreeing to pass the same.

Attest:

W. PAT JENNINGS

*Clerk.*

*By W. Raymond Colley*

I certify that this Act originated in the House of Representatives.

W. PAT JENNINGS

*Clerk.*

*By W. Raymond Colley*

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,

November 21, 1974.

The Senate having proceeded to reconsider the bill (H. R. 12471) entitled "An Act to amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code, known as the Freedom of Information Act", returned by the President of the United States with his objections to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, it was

*Resolved*, That the said bill pass, two-thirds of the Senators present having voted in the affirmative.

Attest:

FRANCIS R. VALEO

*Secretary.*

Public Law 93-503

## AN ACT

To amend the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 to provide increased assistance for mass transportation systems.

November 26, 1974  
[S. 386]

*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 "National Mass Transportation Assistance Act of 1974".

National Mass  
Transportation  
Assistance Act  
of 1974.  
49 USC 1601b  
note.

## FINDINGS

49 USC 1601b.

SEC. 2. The Congress finds that—

(1) over 70 per centum of the Nation's population lives in urban areas;

(2) transportation is the lifeblood of an urbanized society and the health and welfare of that society depends upon the provision of efficient economical and convenient transportation within and between its urban area;

(3) for many years the mass transportation industry satisfied the transportation needs of the urban areas of the country capably and profitably;

(4) in recent years the maintenance of even minimal mass transportation service in urban areas has become so financially burdensome as to threaten the continuation of this essential public service;

(5) the termination of such service or the continued increase in its cost to the user is undesirable, and may have a particularly serious adverse effect upon the welfare of a substantial number of lower income persons;

(6) some urban areas are now engaged in developing preliminary plans for, or are actually carrying out, comprehensive projects to revitalize their mass transportation operations; and

(7) immediate substantial Federal assistance is needed to enable many mass transportation systems to continue to provide vital service.

## TITLE I—INCREASED MASS TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE

## AUTHORIZATION

49 USC 1603.

SEC. 101. (a) The first sentence of section 4(c) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 is amended by striking out "\$6,100,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$10,925,000,000".

*Post*, p. 1567.*Supra*.

(b) Section 4(c) of such Act is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "Of the total amount available to finance activities under this Act (other than under section 5) on and after the date of the enactment of the National Mass Transportation Assistance Act of 1974, not to exceed \$500,000,000 shall be available exclusively for assistance in areas other than urbanized areas (as defined in section 5(a)(3))."

## TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

49 USC 1602.

SEC. 102. Section 3(a) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 is amended—

(1) by inserting "(1)" after "SEC. 3. (a)";

(2) by redesignating clauses (1) and (2) of the third sentence as clauses (A) and (B) respectively;

(3) by striking out the sixth and seventh sentences; and

(4) by adding at the end thereof the following:

“(2) It is declared to be in the national interest to encourage and promote the development of transportation systems, embracing various modes of transport in a manner that will serve the States and local communities efficiently and effectively. To accomplish this objective the Secretary shall cooperate with the States in the development of long-range plans and programs which are properly coordinated with plans for improvements in other affected forms of transportation and which are formulated with due consideration to their probable effect on the future development of urban areas of more than fifty thousand population. The development of projects in urbanized areas under this section shall be based upon a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive planning process covering all modes of surface transportation and carried on by the States and the governing bodies of local communities in accordance with this paragraph. The Secretary shall not approve any project in an urbanized area after July 1, 1976, under this section unless he finds that such project is based on a continuing comprehensive transportation planning process carried on in conformance with the objectives stated in this paragraph.”

#### FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM

SEC. 103. (a) The Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 is amended by striking out section 5 and inserting in lieu thereof the following new section:

49 USC 1604.

#### “URBAN MASS TRANSIT PROGRAM

“SEC. 5. (a) As used in this section—

Definitions.

“(1) the term ‘construction’ means the supervising, inspecting, actual building, and all expenses incidental to the acquisition, construction, or reconstruction of facilities and equipment for use in mass transportation, including designing, engineering, locating, surveying, mapping, acquisition of rights-of-way, relocation assistance, and acquisition and replacement of housing sites;

“(2) the term ‘Governor’ means the Governor, or his designate, of any one of the fifty States or of Puerto Rico, and the Mayor of the District of Columbia; and

“(3) the term ‘urbanized area’ means an area so designated by the Bureau of the Census, within boundaries which shall be fixed by responsible State and local officials in cooperation with each other, subject to approval by the Secretary, and which shall at a minimum, in the case of any such area, encompass the entire urbanized area within the State as designated by the Bureau of the Census.

“(b) (1) The Secretary shall apportion for expenditure in fiscal years 1975 through 1980 the sums authorized by subsection (c). Such sums shall be made available for expenditure in urbanized areas or parts thereof on the basis of a formula under which urbanized areas or part thereof will be entitled to receive an amount equal to the sum of—

Apportionment formula.

“(A) one-half of the total amount so apportioned multiplied by the ratio which the population of such urbanized area or part thereof, as designated by the Bureau of the Census, bears to the total population of all the urbanized areas in all the States as shown by the latest available Federal census; and

“(B) one-half of the total amount so apportioned multiplied by a ratio for that urbanized area determined on the basis of population weighted by a factor of density, as determined by the Secretary.

“Density.”

As used in the preceding sentence, the term ‘density’ means the number of inhabitants per square mile.

“(2) The Governor, responsible local officials and publicly-owned operators of mass transportation services, in accordance with the procedures required under section (g) (1), with the concurrence of the Secretary, shall designate a recipient to receive and dispense the funds apportioned under paragraph (1) that are attributable to urbanized areas of two hundred thousand or more population. In any case in which a statewide or regional agency or instrumentality is responsible under State laws for the financing, construction and operation, directly, by lease, contract, or otherwise, of public transportation services, such agency or instrumentality shall be the recipient to receive and dispense such funds. The term ‘designated recipient’ as used in this Act shall refer to the recipient selected according to the procedures required by this paragraph.

“Designated recipient.”

“(3) Sums apportioned under paragraph (1) not made available for expenditure by designated recipients in accordance with the terms of paragraph (2) shall be made available to the Governor for expenditure in urbanized areas or parts thereof in accordance with the procedures required under subsection (g) (1).

“(c) (1) To finance grants under this section, the Secretary may incur obligations on behalf of the United States in the form of grants, contracts, agreements, or otherwise in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$3,975,000,000. There are authorized to be appropriated for liquidation of the obligations incurred under this paragraph not to exceed \$300,000,000 prior to the close of fiscal year 1975; not to exceed \$500,000,000 prior to the close of fiscal year 1976; not to exceed \$650,000,000 prior to the close of fiscal year 1977; not to exceed \$775,000,000 prior to the close of fiscal year 1978; not to exceed \$850,000,000 prior to the close of fiscal year 1979; and not to exceed \$900,000,000 prior to the close of fiscal year 1980. Sums so appropriated shall remain available until expended.

Appropriation.

“(2) Sums apportioned under this section shall be available for obligation by the Governor or designated recipient for a period of two years following the close of the fiscal year for which such sums are apportioned, and any amounts so apportioned remaining unobligated at the end of such period shall lapse and shall be returned to the Treasury for deposit as miscellaneous receipts.

“(d) (1) The Secretary may approve as a project under this section, on such terms and conditions as he may prescribe, (A) the acquisition, construction, and improvement of facilities and equipment for use, by operation or lease or otherwise, in mass transportation service, and (B) the payment of operating expenses to improve or to continue such service by operation, lease, contract, or otherwise.

Regulations.

“(2) The Secretary shall issue such regulations as he deems necessary to administer this subsection and subsection (e), including regulations regarding maintenance of effort by States, local governments, and local public bodies, the appropriate definition of operating expenses, and requirements for improving the efficiency of transit services.

Construction grants, limitation.

“(e) The Federal grant for any construction project under this section shall not exceed 80 per centum of the cost of the construction project, as determined under section 4(a) of this Act. The Federal

grant for any project for the payment of subsidies for operating expenses shall not exceed 50 per centum of the cost of such operating expense project. The remainder shall be provided in cash, from sources other than Federal funds or revenues from the operation of public mass transportation systems. Any public or private transit system funds so provided shall be solely from undistributed cash surpluses, replacement or depreciation funds or reserves available in cash, or new capital.

“(f) Federal funds available for expenditure for mass transportation projects under this section shall be supplementary to and not in substitution for the average amount of State and local government funds and other transit revenues such as advertising, concessions, and property leases, expended on the operation of mass transportation service in the area involved for the two fiscal years preceding the fiscal year for which the funds are made available; but nothing in this sentence shall be construed as preventing State or local tax revenues which are used for the operation of mass transportation service in the area involved from being credited (to the extent necessary) toward the non-Federal share of the cost of the project for purposes of the preceding sentence.

“(g) (1) It is declared to be in the national interest to encourage and promote the development of transportation systems, embracing various modes of transport in a manner that will serve the States and local communities efficiently and effectively. To accomplish this objective the Secretary shall cooperate with the States in the development of long-range plans and programs which are properly coordinated with plans for improvement in other affected forms of transportation and which are formulated with due consideration to their probable effect on the future development of urban areas of more than fifty thousand population. The development of projects in urbanized areas under this section shall be based upon a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive planning process covering all modes of surface transportation and carried on by the States and the governing bodies of local communities in accordance with this paragraph. The Secretary shall not approve any project in an urbanized area after July 1, 1976, under this section unless he finds that such project is based on a continuing comprehensive transportation planning process carried on in conformance with the objectives stated in this paragraph.

Long-range  
plans and  
programs.

“(2) The Governor or designated recipient shall submit to the Secretary for his approval a program of projects for utilization of the funds authorized, which shall be based on the continuing comprehensive planning process of paragraph (1). The Secretary shall act upon programs submitted to him as soon as practicable, and he may approve a program in whole or in part.

Program of  
projects, sub-  
mittal to Secretary  
of Transportation.

“(3) An applicant for assistance under this section (other than a Governor) shall submit the program or programs to the Governor of the State affected, concurrently with submission to the Secretary. If within thirty days thereafter the Governor submits comments to the Secretary, the Secretary shall consider such comments before taking final action on the program or programs.

Submission to  
Governor.

“(h) (1) The Governor or the designated recipient of the urbanized area shall submit to the Secretary for his approval such surveys, plans, specifications, and estimates for each proposed project as the Secretary may require. The Secretary shall act upon such surveys, plans, specifications, and his entering into a grant or contract agreement with respect to any such project shall be a contractual obligation of the Federal Government for the payment of its proportional contribution thereto.

Surveys, plans,  
and specifica-  
tions.

“(2) In approving any project under this section, the Secretary shall assure that possible adverse economic, social, and environmental effects relating to the proposed project have been fully considered in developing the project, and that the final decisions on the project are made in the best overall public interest, taking into consideration the need for fast, safe, and efficient transportation, public services, and conservation of environment and natural resources, and the costs of eliminating or minimizing any such adverse effects, including—

“(A) air, noise, and water pollution;

“(B) destruction or disruption of manmade and natural resources, esthetic values, community cohesion, and the availability of public facilities and services;

“(C) adverse employment effects, and tax and property value losses;

“(D) injurious displacement of people, businesses, and farms; and

“(E) disruption of desirable community and regional growth.

Hearings.

“(i) Upon submission for approval of a proposed project under this section, the Governor or the designated recipient of the urbanized area shall certify to the Secretary that he or it has conducted public hearings (or has afforded the opportunity for such hearings) and that these hearings included (or were scheduled to include) consideration of the economic and social effects of such project, its impact on the environment, including requirements under the Clean Air Act, the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, and other applicable Federal environmental statutes, and its consistency with the goals and objectives of such urban planning as has been promulgated by the community. Such certification shall be accompanied by (1) a report which indicates the consideration given to the economic, social, environmental, and other effects of the proposed project, including, for construction projects, the effects of its location or design, and the consideration given to the various alternatives which were raised during the hearing or which were otherwise considered, and (2) upon the Secretary's request, a copy of the transcript of the hearings.

42 USC 1857  
note.  
33 USC 1151  
note.

“(j) (1) The Secretary may discharge any of his responsibilities under this action with respect to a project under this section upon the request of any Governor or designated recipient of the urbanized area by accepting a certification by the Governor or his designee, or by the designated recipient of the urbanized area, if he finds that such project will be carried out in accordance with State laws, regulations, directives, and standards establishing requirements at least equivalent to those contained in, or issued pursuant to, this section.

Final inspection or review.

“(2) The Secretary shall make a final inspection or review of each such project upon its completion and shall require an adequate report of its estimated and actual cost, as well as such other information as he determines to be necessary.

Guidelines and regulations.

“(3) The Secretary shall promulgate such guidelines and regulations as may be necessary to carry out this subsection.

“(4) Acceptance by the Secretary of a certification under this section may be rescinded by the Secretary at any time if, in his opinion, it is necessary to do so.

“(5) Nothing in this section shall affect or discharge any responsibility or obligation of the Secretary under any other Federal law, including the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1653(f)), title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 200(d) et seq.), title VIII of the Act of April 11, 1968 (Public Law 90-284, 42 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.), and the Uniform Relocation

42 USC 2000d.

Assistance and Land Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. 4601 et seq.).

“(k) (1) As soon as practicable after the plans, specifications, and estimates for a specific project under this section have been approved, the Secretary shall enter into a formal project agreement with the Governor, his designee or the designated recipient of the urbanized area. Such project agreement shall make provision for non-Federal funds required for the State’s or designated recipient’s pro rata share of the cost of the project.

42 USC 4601  
note.  
Formal project  
agreement.

“(2) The Secretary may rely upon representations made by the applicant with respect to the arrangements or agreements made by the Governor or the designated recipient where a part of the project involved is to be constructed at the expense of, or in cooperation with, local subdivisions of the State.

“(3) The Secretary is authorized, notwithstanding the provisions of section 3648 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, to make advance or progress payments on account of any grant or contract made pursuant to this section, on such terms and conditions as he may prescribe.

31 USC 529.

“(1) The Secretary shall not approve any project under this section unless he finds that such project is needed to carry out a program, meeting criteria established by him, for a unified or officially coordinated urban transportation system as a part of the comprehensively planned development of the urban area, and is necessary for the sound, economic, and desirable development of such area, and that the applicant or responsible agency has the legal, financial, and technical capacity to carry out the proposed project. A project under this section may not be undertaken unless the responsible public officials of the urbanized area in which the project is located have been consulted and, except for projects solely to pay subsidies for operating expenses, their views considered with respect to the corridor, location, and design of the project.

“(m) The Secretary shall not approve any project under this section unless the applicant agrees and gives satisfactory assurances, in such manner and form as may be required by the Secretary and in accordance with such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, that the rates charged elderly and handicapped persons during nonpeak hours for transportation utilizing or involving the facilities and equipment of the project financed with assistance under this section will not exceed one-half of the rates generally applicable to other persons at peak hours, whether the operation of such facilities and equipment is by the applicant or is by another entity under lease or otherwise.

Fares for elderly and handicapped persons.

“(n) (1) The provisions of section 13(c) and section 3(e) (4) shall apply in carrying out mass transportation projects under this section.

49 USC 1609, 1602.

“(2) The provision of assistance under this section shall not be construed as bringing within the application of chapter 15 of title 5, United States Code, any nonsupervisory employee of an urban mass transportation system (or of any other agency or entity performing related functions) to whom such chapter is otherwise inapplicable.”

5 USC 1501.

(b) Section 4(a) of such Act is amended by striking out “Except as specified in section 5, no” and inserting in lieu thereof “No”.

49 USC 1603.

ELIGIBILITY OF QUASI-PUBLIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS

SEC. 104. (a) The first sentence of section 3(a) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 is amended by inserting “(1)” after “financing”, and by inserting before the period at the end thereof the

49 USC 1602.

following: “, and (2) the establishment and organization of public or quasi-public transit corridor development corporations or entities”.

49 USC 1602.

(b) The second sentence of section 3(a) of such Act is amended to read as follows: “Eligible facilities and equipment may include personal property including buses and other rolling stock and real property including land (but not public highways), within the entire zone affected by the construction and operation of transit improvements, including station sites, needed for an efficient and coordinated mass transportation system which is compatible with socially, economically, and environmentally sound patterns of land use.”

COORDINATION OF URBAN MASS TRANSIT PROGRAMS WITH MODEL CITIES PROGRAMS

42 USC 3303.

SEC. 105. Section 103(a) of the Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act of 1966 is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and (5) as paragraphs (5) and (6), respectively, and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (3) the following new paragraph:

49 USC 1602.

“(4) any program which includes a transportation component as a project or activity to be undertaken meets the requirements of section 3(e) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964;”.

PROCUREMENT

49 USC 1602.

SEC. 106. The fifth sentence of section 3(a) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 is amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof the following: “, nor shall any grant or loan funds be used to support procurements utilizing exclusionary or discriminatory specifications”.

INVESTIGATION OF SAFETY HAZARDS IN URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

49 USC 1604a.

SEC. 107. The Secretary of Transportation shall investigate unsafe conditions in any facility, equipment, or manner of operation financed under this Act which creates a serious hazard of death or injury for the purpose of determining its nature and extent and the means which might best be employed to eliminate or correct it. If the Secretary determines that such facility, equipment, or manner of operation is unsafe, he shall require the State or local public body or agency to submit to the Secretary a plan for correcting the unsafe facility, equipment, or manner of operation, and the Secretary may withhold further financial assistance to the applicant until such plan is approved or implemented.

FARES FOR ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED PERSONS

49 USC 1604b.

SEC. 108. Nothing contained in this title shall require the charging of fares to elderly and handicapped persons.

SCHOOL BUS OPERATIONS

49 USC 1602.

SEC. 109. (a) Section 3 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 is amended by adding at the end thereof (immediately after subsection (f)) the following new subsection:

“(g) No Federal financial assistance shall be provided under this Act for the construction or operation of facilities and equipment for



use in providing public mass transportation service to any applicant for such assistance unless such applicant and the Secretary shall have first entered into an agreement that such applicant will not engage in schoolbus operations, exclusively for the transportation of students and school personnel, in competition with private schoolbus operators. This subsection shall not apply to an applicant with respect to operation of a schoolbus program if the applicant operates a school system in the area to be served and operates a separate and exclusive schoolbus program for this school system. This subsection shall not apply unless private schoolbus operators are able to provide adequate transportation, at reasonable rates, and in conformance with applicable safety standards; and this subsection shall not apply with respect to any State or local public body or agency thereof if it (or a direct predecessor in interest from which it acquired the function of so transporting schoolchildren and personnel along with facilities to be used therefor) was so engaged in schoolbus operations any time during the twelve-month period immediately prior to the date of the enactment of this subsection. A violation of an agreement under this subsection shall bar such applicant from receiving any other Federal financial assistance under this Act."

(b) The first sentence of section 3(f) of such Act is amended by striking out "purchase of buses" each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "purchase or operation of buses".

49 USC 1602.

#### ALTERNATE USE OF CAPITAL GRANTS

SEC. 110. Section 3 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 is amended by adding at the end thereof (after the new subsection added by section 109 of this Act) the following new subsection:

49 USC 1602.

"(h) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, or of any contract or agreement entered into under this Act, up to one-half of any financial assistance provided under this Act (other than under section 5) to any State or local public body or agency thereof for the fiscal year 1975 or any subsequent fiscal year may, at the option of such State or local public body or agency, be used exclusively for the payment of operating expenses (incurred in connection with the provision of mass transportation service in an urban area or areas) to improve or to continue such service, if the Secretary finds (in any case where the financial assistance to be so used was originally provided for another project) that effective arrangements have been made to substitute and, by the end of the fiscal year following the fiscal year for which such sums are used, make available (for such other project) an equal amount of State or local funds (in addition to any State or local funds otherwise required by this Act to be contributed toward the cost of such project). Any amounts used for the payment of operating expenses pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to such terms and conditions (including the requirement for local matching contributions), required for the payment of operating expenses under other provisions of this Act, as the Secretary may deem necessary and appropriate."

#### DATA AND FINANCIAL REPORTING SYSTEMS

SEC. 111. Section 15 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 is amended by striking out the entire section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

49 USC 1611.

## "REPORTING SYSTEM

"SEC. 15. (a) The Secretary shall by January 10, 1977, develop, test, and prescribe a reporting system to accumulate public mass transportation financial and operating information by uniform categories and a uniform system of accounts and records. Such systems shall be designed to assist in meeting the needs of individual public mass transportation systems, Federal, State, and local governments, and the public for information on which to base planning for public transportation services, and shall contain information appropriate to assist in the making of public sector investment decisions at all levels of government. The Secretary is authorized to develop and test these systems in consultation with interested persons and organizations. The Secretary is authorized to carry out this subsection independently, or by grant or contract (including working arrangements with other Federal, State, or local government agencies). The Secretary is authorized to request and receive such information or data as he deems appropriate from public or private sources.

*Ante*, p. 1567.

"(b) After July 1, 1978, the Secretary shall not make any grant under section 5 unless the applicant for such grant and any person or organization to receive benefits directly from that grant are each subject to both the reporting system and the uniform system of accounts and records prescribed under subsection (a) of this section."

## TITLE II—FARE-FREE MASS TRANSPORTATION

## DEMONSTRATIONS

49 USC 1605  
note.

SEC. 201. The Secretary of Transportation (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") shall enter into such contracts or other arrangements as may be necessary for research and the development, establishment, and operation of demonstration projects to determine the feasibility of fare-free urban mass transportation systems.

Federal grants,  
limitation.  
49 USC 1605  
note.

SEC. 202. Federal grants or payments for the purpose of assisting such projects shall cover not to exceed 80 per centum of the cost of the project involved, including operating costs and the amortization of capital costs for any fiscal year for which such contract or other arrangement is in effect.

49 USC 1605  
note.

SEC. 203. The Secretary shall select cities or metropolitan areas for such projects in accordance with the following:

(1) to the extent practicable, such cities or metropolitan areas shall have a failing or nonexistent or marginally profitable transit system, a decaying central city, automobile-caused air pollution problems, and an immobile central city population;

(2) several projects should be selected from cities or metropolitan areas of differing sizes and populations;

(3) a high level of innovative service must be provided including the provision of crosstown and other transportation service to the extent necessary for central city residents and others to reach employment, shopping, and recreation; and

(4) to the extent practicable, projects utilizing different modes of mass transportation shall be approved.

Study.  
49 USC 1605  
note.

SEC. 204. The Secretary shall study fare-free systems assisted pursuant to this title, and other financially assisted urban mass transportation systems providing reduced fares for the purpose of determining the following:

- (1) the effects of such systems on (i) vehicle traffic and attendant air pollution, congestion, and noise, (ii) the mobility of urban residents, and (iii) the economic viability of central city business;
- (2) the mode of mass transportation that can best meet the desired objectives;
- (3) the extent to which frivolous ridership increases as a result of reduced fare or fare-free systems;
- (4) the extent to which the need for urban highways might be reduced as a result of reduced fare or fare-free systems; and
- (5) the best means of financing reduced fare or fare-free transportation on a continuing basis.

SEC. 205. The Secretary shall make annual reports to the Congress on the information gathered pursuant to section 204 of this title and shall make a final report of his findings, including any recommendations he might have to implement such findings, not later than June 30, 1975.

Reports to Congress.  
49 USC 1605 note.

SEC. 206. In carrying out the provisions of this title, the Secretary shall provide advisory participation by interested State and local government authorities, mass transportation systems management personnel, employee representatives, mass transportation riders, and any other persons that he may deem necessary or appropriate.

49 USC 1605 note.

SEC. 207. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$20,000,000 for each of the fiscal years ending on June 30, 1975, and June 30, 1976, respectively, to carry out the provisions of this title.

Appropriation.  
49 USC 1605 note.

TITLE III—RAILROAD GRADE CROSSINGS

SEC. 301. The Secretary of Transportation shall enter into such arrangements as may be necessary to carry out a demonstration project in Hammond, Indiana, for the relocation of railroad lines for the purpose of eliminating highway railroad grade crossings. The Federal share payable on account of such project shall be that provided in section 120 of title 23, United States Code.

Hammond, Ind., demonstration project.  
49 USC 1605 note.

SEC. 302. There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this title not to exceed \$14,000,000, except that two-thirds of all funds expended under authority of this section in any fiscal year shall be appropriated out of the Highway Trust Fund.

Appropriation.  
49 USC 1605 note.

Approved November 26, 1974.

Public Law 93-504

AN ACT

To eliminate discrimination based on sex in the youth programs offered by the Naval Sea Cadet Corps.

November 29, 1974  
[S. 3204]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Naval Sea Cadet Corps", approved September 10, 1962 (36 U.S.C. 1042), is amended by striking out "boys" and inserting in lieu thereof "young people".

Naval Sea Cadet Corps.

Approved November 29, 1974.