

this section. The total amount that a State may receive in grants under this section may not be more than \$500,000.

(Pub. L. 103-272, §1(d), July 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 850.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
5504	49:301 (note).	Dec. 18, 1991, Pub. L. 102-240, §5003, 105 Stat. 2159.

§ 5505. National university transportation centers

(a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION.—The Secretary of Transportation shall make grants under this section to eligible nonprofit institutions of higher learning to establish and operate national university transportation centers.

(2) ROLE OF CENTERS.—The role of each center shall be to advance significant transportation research on critical national transportation issues and to expand the workforce of transportation professionals.

(b) APPLICABILITY OF REQUIREMENTS.—A grant received by an eligible nonprofit institution of higher learning under this section shall be available for the same purposes, and shall be subject to the same terms and conditions, as a grant made to a nonprofit institution of higher learning under section 5506.

(c) ELIGIBLE NONPROFIT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING DEFINED.—In this section, the term “eligible nonprofit institution of higher learning” means each of the following:

- (1) University of Alaska.
- (2) Marshall University, West Virginia, on behalf of a consortium of West Virginia colleges and universities.
- (3) University of Minnesota.
- (4) University of Missouri, Rolla.
- (5) Northwestern University.
- (6) Oklahoma Transportation Center.
- (7) Portland State University, in partnership with the University of Oregon, Oregon State University, and the Oregon Institute of Technology.
- (8) University of Vermont.
- (9) Western Transportation Institute at Montana State University.
- (10) University of Wisconsin.

(d) GRANTS.—The Secretary shall make a grant under this section to each eligible nonprofit institution of higher learning in an amount¹ \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2005 and \$3,500,000 in each of fiscal years 2006 through 2009 to carry out this section.

(Added and amended Pub. L. 105-178, title V, §5110(a), (d), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 441; Pub. L. 105-206, title IX, §9011(d), July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 863; Pub. L. 109-59, title V, §5401(a), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1814.)

AMENDMENTS

2005—Pub. L. 109-59 amended section catchline and text generally, substituting provisions relating to na-

tional university transportation centers for provisions relating to university transportation research.

1998—Subsec. (g)(2). Pub. L. 105-178, §5110(d)(1), as added by Pub. L. 105-206, substituted “section 508 of title 23, United States Code,” for “section 5506.”

Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 105-178, §5110(d)(2), as added by Pub. L. 105-206, inserted “Subject to section 5338(e):” before par. (1) and substituted “institutions or groups of institutions” for “institutions” wherever appearing.

Subsec. (j)(4)(B). Pub. L. 105-178, §5110(d)(3), as added by Pub. L. 105-206, substituted “on behalf of a consortium which may also include West Virginia University Institute of Technology, the College of West Virginia, and Bluefield State College” for “on behalf of a consortium of West Virginia colleges and universities”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Title IX of Pub. L. 105-206 effective simultaneously with enactment of Pub. L. 105-178 and to be treated as included in Pub. L. 105-178 at time of enactment, and provisions of Pub. L. 105-178, as in effect on day before July 22, 1998, that are amended by title IX of Pub. L. 105-206 to be treated as not enacted, see section 9016 of Pub. L. 105-206, set out as a note under section 101 of Title 23, Highways.

§ 5506. University transportation research

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Transportation shall make grants under this section to nonprofit institutions of higher learning to establish and operate university transportation centers.

(b) OBJECTIVES.—Grants received under this section shall be used by nonprofit institutions of higher learning to advance significantly the state-of-the-art in transportation research and expand the workforce of transportation professionals through the following programs and activities:

(1) RESEARCH.—Basic and applied research, the products of which are judged by peers or other experts in the field of transportation to advance the body of knowledge in transportation.

(2) EDUCATION.—An education program relating to transportation that includes multidisciplinary course work and participation in research.

(3) TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER.—An ongoing program of technology transfer that makes transportation research results available to potential users in a form that can be implemented, utilized, or otherwise applied.

(c) REGIONAL, TIER I, AND TIER II CENTERS.—

(1) REGIONAL AND TIER I CENTERS.—For each of fiscal years 2005 through 2009, the Secretary shall make grants under subsection (a) to nonprofit institutions of higher learning to establish and operate—

(A) 10 regional university transportation centers; and

(B) 10 Tier I university transportation centers.

(2) TIER II CENTERS.—

(A) For each of fiscal years 2006 through 2009, the Secretary shall make grants under subsection (a) to nonprofit institutions of higher learning to establish and operate 22 Tier II university transportation centers.

(B) The Tier II centers consist of the following:

(i) University of Arkansas, Mack-Blackwell Rural Transportation Center.

¹ So in original. Probably should be followed by “of”.