

criteria and such funds shall be available until December 31, 1998.

SEC. 339. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Department of the Navy is directed to transfer the USNS EDENTON (ATS-1), currently in Inactive Ship status, to the United States Coast Guard.

SEC. 340. (a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds that—

(1) Congress has the authority under article I, section 8 of the Constitution to regulate the air commerce of the United States;

(2) section 47107 of title 49, United States Code, prohibits the diversion of certain revenue generated by a public airport as a condition of receiving a project grant;

(3) a grant recipient that uses airport revenues for purposes that are not airport related in a manner inconsistent with chapter 471 of title 49, United States Code, illegally diverts airport revenues;

(4) illegal diversion of airport revenues undermines the interest of the United States in promoting a strong national air transportation system;

(5) the policy of the United States that airports should be as self-sustaining as possible and that revenues generated at airports should not be diverted from airport purposes was stated by Congress in 1982 and reaffirmed and strengthened in 1987, 1994, and 1996;

(6) certain airports are constructed on lands that may have belonged, at one time, to native Americans, native Hawaiians, or Alaskan natives;

(7) contrary to the prohibition against diverting airport revenues from airport purposes under section 47107 of title 49, United States Code, certain payments from airport revenues may have been made for the betterment of native Americans, native Hawaiians, or Alaskan natives based upon the claims related to lands ceded to the United States;

(8) Federal law prohibits diversions of airport revenues obtained from any source whatsoever to occur in the future whether related to claims for periods of time prior to or after the date of enactment of this Act; and

(9) because of the special circumstances surrounding such past diversions of airport revenues for the betterment of native Americans, native Hawaiians, or Alaskan natives, it is in the national interest that amounts from airport revenues previously received by any entity for the betterment of native Americans, native Hawaiians, or Alaskan natives, as specified in subsection (b) of this section, should not be subject to repayment.

(b) TERMINATION OF REPAYMENT RESPONSIBILITY.—Notwithstanding the provisions of 47107 of title 49, United States Code, or any other provision of law, monies paid for claims related to ceded lands and diverted from airport revenues and received prior to April 1, 1996, by any entity for the betterment of native Americans, native Hawaiians, or Alaskan natives, shall not be subject to repayment.

(c) PROHIBITION ON FURTHER DIVERSION.—There shall be no further payment of airport revenues for claims related to ceded lands, whether characterized as operating expenses, rent, or otherwise, and whether related to claims for periods of time prior to or after the date of enactment of this Act.

(d) CLARIFICATION.—Nothing in this Act shall be construed to affect any existing federal statutes, enactments, or trust obligations created thereunder, or any statute of the several States that define the obligations of such States to native Hawaiians, native Americans, or Alaskan Natives in connection with ceded lands, except to make clear that airport revenues may not be used to satisfy such obligations.

SEC. 341. LIMITATION ON FUNDS USED TO ENFORCE REGULATIONS REGARDING ANIMAL FATS

AND VEGETABLE OILS.—None of the funds made available in this Act may be used by the Coast Guard to issue, implement, or enforce a regulation or to establish an interpretation or guideline under the Edible Oil Regulatory Reform Act (Public Law 104-55), or the amendments made by that Act, that does not recognize and provide for, with respect to fats, oils, and greases (as described in that Act, or the amendments made by that Act) differences in—

(1) physical, chemical, biological, and other relevant properties; and

(2) environmental effects.

SEC. 342. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, rule or regulation, the Secretary of Transportation is authorized to allow the issuer of any preferred stock heretofore sold to the Department to redeem or repurchase such stock upon the payment to the Department of an amount determined by the Secretary.

SEC. 343. Subsection (d)(4) of 49 U.S.C. 31112 is amended by striking "September 30, 1997" and inserting "February 28, 1998".

SEC. 344. None of the funds in this Act shall be used to enforce against air carriers, conducting operations under part 135 of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations (14 C.F.R. 135.1 et seq.) that are not scheduled operations (as defined in 14 C.F.R. 119.3), the requirement in section 44936(f)(1) of title 49 that records be checked before hiring an individual as a pilot, until the FAA determines, in writing that it can furnish to such air carriers the requested records within 30 days, as required by section 44936(f)(5) of title 49. If the Administrator cannot make the determination, in writing, within 150 days after enactment of this Act, then the Administrator shall report to the Committees on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, the reasons why the determination cannot be made.

SEC. 345. EXEMPTION AUTHORITY FOR AIR SERVICE TO SLOT-CONTROLLED AIRPORTS.—Section 41714 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"(i) EXPEDITIOUS CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN EXEMPTION REQUESTS.—Within 120 days after receiving an application for an exemption under subsection (a)(2) to improve air service between a nonhub airport (as defined in section 41731(a)(4)) and a high density airport subject to the exemption authority under subsection (a), the Secretary shall grant or deny the exemption. The Secretary shall notify the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the grant or denial within 14 calendar days after the determination and state the reasons for the determination."

SEC. 346. (a) As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation, acting for the Department of Transportation, may take receipt of such equipment and sites of the Ground Wave Emergency Network (referred to in this section as "GWEN") as the Secretary of Transportation determines to be necessary for the establishment of a nationwide system to be known as the "Nationwide Differential Global Positioning System" (referred to in this section as "NDGPS").

(b) As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation may establish the NDGPS. In establishing the NDGPS, the Secretary of Transportation may—

(1) if feasible, reuse GWEN equipment and sites transferred to the Department of Transportation under subsection (a);

(2) to the maximum extent practicable, use contractor services to install the NDGPS;

(3) modify the positioning system operated by the Coast Guard at the time of the establishment of the NDGPS to integrate the reference stations made available pursuant to subsection (a);

(4) in cooperation with the Secretary of Commerce, ensure that the reference stations referred to in paragraph (3) are compatible with, and integrated into, the Continuously Operating Reference Station (commonly referred to as "CORS") system of the National Geodetic Survey of the Department of Commerce; and

(5) in cooperation with the Secretary of Commerce, investigate the use of the NDGPS reference stations for the Global Positioning System Integrated Precipitable Water Vapor System of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

(c) The Secretary of Transportation may—

(1) manage and operate the NDGPS;

(2) ensure that the service of the NDGPS is provided without the assessment of any user fee; and

(3) in cooperation with the Secretary of Defense, ensure that the use of the NDGPS is denied to any enemy of the United States.

(d) In any case in which the Secretary of Transportation determines that contracting for the maintenance of 1 or more NDGPS reference stations is cost-effective, the Secretary of Transportation may enter into a contract to provide for that maintenance.

(e) The Secretary of Transportation may—

(1) in cooperation with appropriate representatives of private industries and universities and officials of State governments—

(A) investigate improvements (including potential improvements) to the NDGPS;

(B) develop standards for the NDGPS; and

(C) sponsor the development of new applications for the NDGPS; and

(2) provide for the continual upgrading of the NDGPS to improve performance and address the needs of—

(A) the Federal Government;

(B) State and local governments; and

(C) the general public.

SEC. 347. The Secretary of Transportation is authorized to transfer funds appropriated to the Coast Guard in Public Law 102-368 in order to pay rent assessments by the General Services Administration related to prior year space needs of the Department: *Provided*, That prior to any such transfer, notification shall be provided to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

SEC. 348. (a) Subsection (b) of section 642 of the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act, 1998 is amended by inserting "other than a Member of Congress," after "Code,".

(b) Paragraph (1) of section 642(c) of such Act is amended by striking "(1)(A) subject to subparagraph (B)," and inserting "(1)" and by striking "December 31, 1998" and all that follows through the end and inserting "December 31, 1998";.

This Act may be cited as the "Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998".

And the Senate agree to the same.

FRANK R. WOLF,
TOM DELAY,
RALPH REGULA,
HAROLD ROGERS,
RON PACKARD,
SONNY CALLAHAN
TODD TIAHRT,
ROBERT B. ADERHOLT,
BOB LIVINGSTON,
MARTIN OLAV SABO,
THOMAS M. FOGLIETTA,
ESTEBAN EDWARD TORRES,
JOHN W. OLVER,
ED PASTOR,
DAVID R. OBEY,

Managers on the Part of the House.

RICHARD C. SHELBY,

PETE V. DOMENICI,
ARLEN SPECTER,
CHRISTOPHER S. BOND,
SLADE GORTON,
ROBERT F. BENNETT,
LAUCH FAIRCLOTH,
TED STEVENS,
FRANK R. LAUTENBERG,
ROBERT C. BYRD,
BARBARA A. MIKULSKI,
HARRY REID,
HERB KOHL,
PATTY MURRAY,
DANIEL K. INOUE,
Managers on the Part of the Senate.

When said conference report was considered.

After debate,

By unanimous consent, the previous question was ordered on the conference report to its adoption or rejection.

The question being put,

Will the House agree to said conference report?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LATOURETTE, announced that pursuant to clause 7 of rule XV the yeas and nays were ordered, and the call was taken by electronic device.

It was decided in the { Yeas 401
affirmative } Nays 21

¶116.13 [Roll No. 510]
YEAS—401

Abercrombie	Christensen	Filner
Ackerman	Clay	Flake
Aderholt	Clayton	Foglietta
Allen	Clement	Foley
Andrews	Clyburn	Forbes
Archer	Coble	Ford
Armey	Collins	Fowler
Bachus	Combest	Fox
Baesler	Condit	Frank (MA)
Baker	Cook	Franks (NJ)
Baldacci	Cooksey	Frelinghuysen
Ballenger	Costello	Furse
Barcia	Cox	Galleghy
Barr	Coyne	Ganske
Barrett (NE)	Cramer	Gejdenson
Barrett (WI)	Crane	Gekas
Bartlett	Crapo	Gephardt
Barton	Cubin	Gibbons
Bass	Cummings	Gilchrest
Bateman	Cunningham	Gillmor
Becerra	Danner	Gilman
Bentsen	Davis (FL)	Goode
Bereuter	Davis (IL)	Goodlatte
Berman	Davis (VA)	Goodling
Berry	Deal	Gordon
Bilbray	DeFazio	Goss
Bilirakis	DeGette	Graham
Bishop	Delahunt	Green
Blagojevich	DeLauro	Greenwood
Bliley	DeLay	Gutierrez
Blumenauer	Dellums	Gutknecht
Blunt	Deutsch	Hall (OH)
Boehrlert	Diaz-Balart	Hall (TX)
Boehner	Dickey	Hamilton
Bonilla	Dicks	Hansen
Bono	Dixon	Harman
Borski	Doggett	Hastert
Boswell	Dooley	Hastings (FL)
Boucher	Doolittle	Hastings (WA)
Boyd	Doyle	Hayworth
Brady	Dreier	Hefley
Brown (CA)	Duncan	Hefner
Brown (OH)	Dunn	Herger
Bryant	Edwards	Hill
Bunning	Ehrlich	Hilleary
Burr	Emerson	Hinchev
Burton	Engel	Hinojosa
Buyer	English	Hobson
Callahan	Ensign	Holden
Calvert	Eshoo	Hooley
Canady	Etheridge	Horn
Cannon	Evans	Houghton
Capps	Everett	Hoyer
Cardin	Ewing	Hulshof
Carson	Farr	Hunter
Castle	Fattah	Hutchinson
Chabot	Fawell	Hyde
Chenoweth	Fazio	Inglis

Istook
Jackson (IL)
Jackson-Lee
(TX)
Jefferson
Jenkins
John
Johnson (CT)
Johnson (WI)
Johnson, Sam
Jones
Kanjorski
Kaptur
Kasich
Kelly
Kennedy (MA)
Kennelly
Kildee
Kim
Kind (WI)
King (NY)
Kingston
Klecza
Klink
Klug
Knollenberg
Kolbe
Kucinich
LaFalce
LaHood
Lampson
Lantos
Latham
LaTourette
Lazio
Leach
Lewis (CA)
Lewis (GA)
Linder
Lipinski
Livingston
LoBiondo
Lofgren
Lowey
Lucas
Luther
Maloney (CT)
Maloney (NY)
Manton
Manzullo
Markey
Martinez
Mascara
Matsui
McCarthy (MO)
McCarthy (NY)
McCollum
McCrery
McDade
McDermott
McGovern
McHale
McHugh
McInnis
McIntosh
McIntyre
McKeon
McKinney
McNulty
Meehan
Meek
Menendez
Metcalf
Mica
Millender-
McDonald
Miller (CA)

NAYS—21

Camp
Campbell
Coburn
Conyers
Dingell
Ehlers
Frost
Granger
Hoekstra
Hostettler
Johnson, E. B.
Kilpatrick
Levin
Paul

NOT VOTING—11

Bonior
Brown (FL)
Chambliss
Gonzalez
Hilliard
Kennedy (RI)
Largent
Lewis (KY)

Schaffer, Bob
Schumer
Scott
Sensenbrenner
Serrano
Sessions
Shadegg
Shaw
Shays
Sherman
Shimkus
Shuster
Sisisky
Skaggs
Skeel
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (NJ)
Smith (OR)
Smith (TX)
Smith, Adam
Smith, Linda
Snowbarger
Snyder
Solomon
Souder
Spence
Spratt
Stark
Stearns
Stenholm
Stokes
Strickland
Stump
Sununu
Talent
Tanner
Tauscher
Tauzin
Taylor (MS)
Taylor (NC)
Thomas
Thompson
Thornberry
Thune
Thurman
Tiahrt
Tierney
Torres
Towns
Traficant
Turner
Velazquez
Vento
Visclosky
Walsh
Wamp
Waters
Watkins
Watt (NC)
Watts (OK)
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Weller
Weygand
White
Whitfield
Wicker
Wise
Wolf
Woolsey
Wynn
Yates
Young (AK)
Young (FL)

Sanford
Scarborough
Smith (MI)
Stabenow
Stupak
Upton
Wexler

Murtha
Schiff
Waxman

Ordered. That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

¶116.14 D.C. APPROPRIATIONS

The SPEAKER, pursuant to House Resolution 264 and rule XXIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 2607) making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER designated Mr. CAMP as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

¶116.15 RECORDED VOTE

A recorded vote by electronic device was ordered in the Committee of the Whole on the following amendment submitted by Mr. SABO:

Page 173, strike line 21 and all that follows through page 174, line 9 (and redesignate the succeeding sections accordingly).

It was decided in the { Yeas 234
affirmative } Nays 188

¶116.16 [Roll No. 511]
AYES—234

Abercrombie	Evans	Lazio
Ackerman	Ewing	Levin
Allen	Farr	Lewis (CA)
Andrews	Fattah	Lewis (GA)
Baesler	Fazio	Lipinski
Baldacci	Filner	LoBiondo
Barcia	Flake	Lofgren
Barrett (WI)	Foglietta	Lowey
Becerra	Forbes	Luther
Bentsen	Ford	Maloney (CT)
Berry	Fox	Maloney (NY)
Bilbray	Frank (MA)	Manton
Bishop	Franks (NJ)	Markey
Blagojevich	Frost	Martinez
Blumenauer	Furse	Mascara
Boehrlert	Gejdenson	Matsui
Bonior	Gephardt	McCarthy (MO)
Borski	Gilman	McCarthy (NY)
Boswell	Gordon	McDade
Boucher	Green	McDermott
Boyd	Hall (OH)	McGovern
Brown (CA)	Hamilton	McHale
Brown (OH)	Harman	McHugh
Capps	Hastings (FL)	McIntyre
Cardin	Hill	McKinney
Carson	Hinchev	McNulty
Clay	Hinojosa	Meehan
Clayton	Holden	Meek
Clement	Hooley	Menendez
Clyburn	Horn	Metcalf
Condit	Houghton	Millender- McDonald
Conyers	Hoyer	McDonald
Costello	Jackson (IL)	Miller (CA)
Coyne	Jackson-Lee (TX)	Minge
Cramer	Jefferson	Mink
Cummings	Johnson (CT)	Moakley
Danner	Johnson (WI)	Mollohan
Davis (FL)	Johnson, E. B.	Moran (VA)
Davis (IL)	Kanjorski	Murtha
DeFazio	Kaptur	Nadler
DeGette	Kelly	Neal
Dellums	Kennedy (MA)	Ney
Deutsch	Kennedy (RI)	Oberstar
Diaz-Balart	Kennelly	Obey
Dicks	Kilpatrick	Olver
Dingell	Kind (WI)	Ortiz
Dixon	King (NY)	Pallone
Doggett	Klecza	Pappas
Dooley	Klink	Pascrell
Doyle	Kucinich	Pastor
Edwards	LaFalce	Payne
Engel	LaHood	Pelosi
English	Lampson	Peterson (MN)
Eshoo	Lantos	Petri
Etheridge	LaTourette	Pickett
		Pomeroy

So the conference report was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said conference report was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.