Public Law 88-479

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965, and for other purposes.

FEDERAL FUNDS

Federal Payment to District of Columbia

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there are appropriated for the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965, out of (1) the general fund of the District of Columbia (unless otherwise herein specifically provided), hereinafter known as the general fund, such fund being composed of the revenues of the District of Columbia other than those applied by law to special funds, and $37,500,000, which is hereby appropriated for the purpose out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated (to be advanced July 1, 1964), (2) the highway fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (D.C. Code, title 47, ch. 19), including the motor vehicle parking account (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (Public Law 87-408), (3) the water fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (D.C. Code, title 43, ch. 15), and $2,047,000, which is hereby appropriated for the purpose out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated (to be advanced July 1, 1964), (4) the sanitary sewage works fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (Public Law 85-515); and (5) the metropolitan area sanitary sewage works fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (Public Law 85-515); and there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, $26,400,000, which, together with balances of previous appropriations for this purpose, shall remain available until expended, for loans authorized by the Act of May 18, 1954 (68 Stat. 1602), the Act of June 6, 1958 (72 Stat. 183), and the Act of August 27, 1963 (77 Stat. 130), to be advanced upon request of the Commissioners to the following funds: general fund, $20,000,000; highway fund, $1,400,000; and sanitary sewage works fund, $5,000,000.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FUNDS

Operating Expenses

For expenses necessary for functions under this general head:

General Operating Expenses

General operating expenses, plus so much as may be necessary to compensate the Engineer Commissioner at a rate equal to each civilian member of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, hereafter in this Act referred to as the Commissioners; $18,764,000, of which $375,000 (to remain available until expended) shall be available solely for District of Columbia employees' disability compensation, and $150,700 shall be payable from the highway fund (including $50,200 from the motor-vehicle parking account), $84,100 from the water fund, and $16,000 from the sanitary sewage works fund: Pro-
vided, That the certificate of the Commissioners shall be sufficient voucher for the expenditure of $2,500 of this appropriation for such purposes, exclusive of ceremony expenses, as they may deem necessary: 

Provided further, That, for the purpose of assessing and reassessing real property in the District of Columbia, $5,000 of the appropriation shall be available for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U.S.C. 55a), but at rates for individuals not in excess of $100 per diem.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Public safety, including employment of consulting physicians, diagnosticians, and therapists at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners; purchase of seventy-six passenger motor vehicles (including sixty-seven for police-type use without regard to the general purchase price limitation for the current fiscal year but not in excess of $100 per vehicle above such limitation) of which sixty-eight are for replacement purposes; $69,208,000, of which $157,025 shall be transferred to the judiciary and disbursed by the Administrative Office of the United States Courts for expenses of the Legal Aid Agency for the District of Columbia and $3,434,800 shall be payable from the highway fund (including $112,000 from the motor vehicle parking account), $3,000 from the water fund, and $3,000 from the sanitary sewage works fund: Provided, That not to exceed $50,000 of any funds from appropriations available to the District of Columbia may be used to match financial contributions from the Department of Defense to the District of Columbia Office of Civil Defense for the purchase of civil defense equipment and supplies approved by the Department of Defense, when authorized by the Commissioners: Provided further, That the Fire Department is authorized to replace not to exceed five passenger carrying vehicles annually whenever the cost of repair to any damaged vehicles exceeds three-fourths the cost of the replacement.

**EDUCATION**

Education, including purchase of fourteen passenger motor vehicles, including two for replacement only, the development of national defense education programs, and for matching Federal grants under the National Defense Education Act of September 2, 1958 (72 Stat. 1580), as amended, $68,051,000, of which $678,895 shall be for development of vocational education in the District of Columbia in accordance with the Act of June 8, 1936, as amended.

Section 6 of the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Appropriation Act, approved May 10, 1916, as amended, shall not apply from July 1 to August 23, 1964, to teachers of the public schools of the District of Columbia when employed by any of the branches of the United States Government or by any department or agency of the District of Columbia government.

**PARKS AND RECREATION**

Parks and recreation, including the purchase, acquisition, and transportation of specimens for the National Zoological Park, $9,794,000, of which $25,000 shall be payable from the highway fund.

**HEALTH AND WELFARE**

Health and welfare, including reimbursement to the United States for services rendered to the District of Columbia by Freedmen's Hospital; and for care and treatment of indigent patients in institutions, including those under sectarian control, under contracts to be
made by the Director of Public Health; and purchase of three passenger motor vehicles including two for replacement only; $74,670,000: Provided, That the inpatient rate and outpatient rate under such contracts, with the exception of Children's Hospital, and for services rendered by Freedmen's Hospital shall not exceed $34 per diem and the outpatient rate shall not exceed $5.75 per visit; the inpatient rate and outpatient rate for Children's Hospital shall not exceed $40 per diem and $6.75 per visit; and the inpatient rate (excluding the proportionate share for repairs and construction) for services rendered by Saint Elizabeth's Hospital for patient care shall be $9.74 per diem: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available for the furnishing of medical assistance to individuals sixty-five years of age or older who are residing in the District of Columbia without regard to the requirement of one-year residence contained in District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1946, under the heading “Operating Expenses, Gallinger Municipal Hospital,” and this appropriation shall also be available to render assistance to such individuals who are temporarily absent from the District of Columbia: Provided further, That the authorization included under the heading “Department of Public Health,” in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1961, for compensation of convalescent patients as an aid to their rehabilitation is hereby extended to the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation.

HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC

Highways and traffic, including $73,526 for traffic safety education without reference to any other law; $250 for membership in the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators; rental of three passenger-carrying vehicles for use by the Commissioners; and purchase of twenty-one passenger motor vehicles, including thirteen for replacement only; $13,578,000, of which $9,300,900 shall be payable from the highway fund (including $674,100 from the motor vehicle parking account): Provided, That this appropriation shall not be available for the purchase of driver-training vehicles.

SANITARY ENGINEERING

Sanitary engineering, including the purchase of fourteen passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, $21,750,000, of which $7,248,400 shall be payable from the water fund, $4,230,200 shall be payable from the sanitary sewage works fund, and $79,900 shall be payable from the metropolitan area sanitary sewage works fund.

METROPOLITAN POLICE

ADDITIONAL MUNICIPAL SERVICES, INAUGURAL CEREMONIES

Metropolitan Police (additional municipal services, inaugural ceremonies), including payment at basic salary rates for services performed on the day before Inauguration Day, Inauguration Day, and the first day thereafter, by officers and members of the police and fire departments in excess of the regular tours of duty (but not to exceed a total of sixteen hours overtime pay to any individual officer or member performing service on such days) with such overtime earned by firemen chargeable to the appropriation for operating expenses of the Fire Department, $283,000.
PERSONAL SERVICES, WAGE-BOARD EMPLOYEES

For pay increases and related retirement costs for wage-board employees, to be transferred by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to the appropriations for the fiscal year 1965 from which said employees are properly payable, $1,118,200, of which $75,400 shall be payable from the highway fund, $103,400 from the water fund, $68,500 from the sanitary sewage works fund, and $700 from the metropolitan area sanitary sewage works fund.

REPAYMENT OF LOANS AND INTEREST

For reimbursement to the United States of funds loaned in compliance with sections 108, 217, and 402 of the Act of May 18, 1954 (68 Stat. 103, 109 and 110), as amended; section 7 of the Act of September 7, 1957 (71 Stat. 619), as amended; section 1 of the Act of June 6, 1958 (72 Stat. 183); and section 4 of the Act of June 12, 1960 (74 Stat. 211), including interest as required thereby, $5,364,000, of which $2,213,000 shall be payable from the highway fund, $1,173,000 shall be payable from the water fund, and $291,000 shall be payable from the sanitary sewage works fund.

CAPITAL OUTLAY

For reimbursement to the United States of funds loaned in compliance with section 4 of the Act of May 29, 1930 (46 Stat. 482), as amended, the Act of August 7, 1946 (60 Stat. 896), as amended, the Act of May 14, 1948 (62 Stat. 225), and payments under the Act of July 2, 1954 (68 Stat. 443); construction projects as authorized by the Acts of April 22, 1904 (33 Stat. 244), February 26, 1942 (56 Stat. 91), May 18, 1954 (68 Stat. 105), June 6, 1958 (72 Stat. 183), and August 20, 1958 (72 Stat. 686); including acquisition of sites; preparation of plans and specifications for the following buildings and facilities: new junior high school in the vicinity of 6th Street and Brentwood Parkway Northeast, Wheatley Elementary School addition, new elementary school in the vicinity of 7th and Webster Streets Northwest, Nichols Avenue Elementary School replacement, Tyler Elementary School addition, Chevy Chase Branch Library, Engine Company Number 9 replacement, school and activities building at the Junior Village, shop building at the Cedar Knoll School, a juvenile facility and Incinerator Number 5; erection of the following structures, including building improvement and alteration and the treatment of grounds: new junior high school in the vicinity of 6th and Irving Streets Northwest, Slowe Elementary School addition, new elementary school in the vicinity of Wheeler Road and Mississippi Avenue Southeast, Truesdell Elementary School addition, Mildred Green Elementary School addition, new elementary school in the vicinity of 18th and E Streets Northeast, Raymond Elementary School addition, Ruth K. Webb Elementary School addition, West End Branch Library, McKinley Swimming Pool, Holly and Dogwood Cottages renovation at the District Training School and two street cleaning tool houses; $901,000 for the purchase of equipment for new school buildings; to remain available until expended, $58,682,000, of which $6,830,000 shall not become available for expenditure until July 1, 1965, $13,185,000 shall be payable from the highway fund, $2,383,000 shall be payable from the water fund, and $11,026,000 shall be payable from the sanitary sewage works fund, and $1,887,000 shall be available for construction services by the Director of Buildings and Grounds or by contract for architectural engineering services, as may be determined by the Commissioners, and the funds for the use of the Director
of Buildings and Grounds shall be advanced to the appropriation account, “Construction services, Department of Buildings and Grounds”.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Vouchers.

SEC. 2. Except as otherwise provided herein, all vouchers covering expenditures of appropriations contained in this Act shall be audited before payment by the designated certifying official and the vouchers as approved shall be paid by checks issued by the designated disbursing official without countersignature.

Maximum amount.

SEC. 3. Whenever in this Act an amount is specified within an appropriation for particular purposes or object of expenditure, such amount, unless otherwise specified, shall be considered as the maximum amount which may be expended for said purpose or object rather than an amount set apart exclusively therefor.

Automobile allowances.

SEC. 4. Appropriations in this Act shall be available, when authorized or approved by the Commissioners, for allowances for privately owned automobiles used for the performance of official duties at 8 cents per mile but not to exceed $25 a month for each automobile, unless otherwise therein specifically provided, except that one hundred and forty-three (fifty for investigators in the Department of Public Welfare and eighteen for venereal disease investigators in the Department of Public Health) such allowances at not more than $410 each per annum may be authorized or approved by the Commissioners.

Travel expenses.

SEC. 5. Appropriations in this Act shall be available for expenses of travel and for the payment of dues of organizations concerned with the work of the District of Columbia government, when authorized by the Commissioners: Provided, That the total expenditures for this purpose shall not exceed $65,000.

Restrictions.


SEC. 7. The disbursing officials designated by the Commissioners are authorized to advance to such officials as may be approved by the Commissioners such amounts and for such purposes as the Commissioners may determine.

SEC. 8. Appropriations in this Act shall not be used for or in connection with the preparation, issuance, publication, or enforcement of any regulation or order of the Public Utilities Commission requiring the installation of meters in taxicabs, or for or in connection with the licensing of any vehicle to be operated as a taxicab except for operation in accordance with such system of uniform zones and rates and regulations applicable thereto as shall have been prescribed by the Public Utilities Commission.

SEC. 9. Appropriations in this Act shall not be available for the payment of rates for electric current for street lighting in excess of 2 cents per kilowatt-hour for current consumed.

Vehicle use.

SEC. 10. All motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles (including watercraft) owned by the District of Columbia shall be operated and utilized in conformity with section 16 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U.S.C. 77, 78), and shall be under the direction and control of the Commissioners, who may from time to time alter or change the assignment for use thereof, or direct the alteration of interchangeable use of any of the same by officers and employees of the District, except as otherwise provided in this Act. “Official purposes” shall not apply to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia or in cases of officers and employees the character of whose duties makes such transportation necessary, but only as to such latter cases when the same is approved by the Commissioners.
Sec. 11. Appropriations contained in this Act for Highways and Traffic, and Sanitary Engineering shall be available for snow and ice control work when ordered by the Commissioners in writing.

Sec. 12. Appropriations in this Act shall be available, when authorized by the Commissioners, for the rental of quarters without reference to section 6 of the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1945.

Sec. 13. Appropriations in this Act shall be available for the furnishing of uniforms when authorized by the Commissioners.

Sec. 14. There are hereby appropriated from the applicable funds of the District of Columbia such sums as may be necessary for making refunds and for the payment of judgments which have been entered against the government of the District of Columbia, including refunds authorized by section 10 of the Act approved April 23, 1924 (43 Stat. 108): Provided, That nothing contained in this section shall be construed as modifying or affecting the provisions of paragraph 3, subsection (c) of section 11 of title XII of the District of Columbia Income and Franchise Tax Act of 1947, as amended.

Sec. 15. Except as otherwise provided herein, limitations and legislative provisions contained in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1961, shall be continued for the fiscal year 1965: Provided, That the limitation for “Construction Services, Department of Buildings and Grounds” contained in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1961, shall be increased from 6 to 8 per centum of appropriations for construction projects: Provided further, That after June 30, 1964, the limitation of $50 per diem for experts and consultants under the heading “Public Schools, District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1961” shall no longer be applicable.

This Act may be cited as the “District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1965.”

Approved August 22, 1964.

Public Law 88-480

AN ACT

To extend the authority of the Postmaster General to enter into leases of real property for periods not exceeding thirty years, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2109 of title 39, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“§ 2109. Time limitations on agreements

“Agreements may not be entered into under sections 2104 and 2105 of this title after July 22, 1964, and under section 2103 after December 31, 1966.”

Approved August 22, 1964.

Public Law 88-481

AN ACT

To provide hospital, domiciliary, and medical care for non-service-connected disabilities to recipients of the Medal of Honor.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph (2) of section 601 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by inserting immediately after “Indian Wars” the following: “, or any veteran awarded the Medal of Honor”.

Approved August 22, 1964.