

Public Law 90-423

AN ACT

To extend for two years the Act of September 30, 1965, relating to high-speed ground transportation, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the first section of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to undertake research and development in high-speed ground transportation, and for other purposes", approved September 30, 1965 (79 Stat. 893; Public Law 89-220; 49 U.S.C. 1631), is amended by striking out "Secretary of Commerce" and inserting in lieu thereof "the Secretary of Transportation".

(b) Section 5 of such Act of September 30, 1965, is amended by striking out "Department of Commerce" and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Transportation".

(c) Section 7 of such Act of September 30, 1965, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "In furtherance of these activities, the Secretary may acquire necessary sites by purchase, lease, or grant and may acquire, construct, repair, or furnish necessary support facilities. In furtherance of a demonstration program, the Secretary may contract for the construction of two suburban rail stations, one at Lanham, Maryland, and one at Woodbridge, New Jersey, without acquiring any property interest therein."

(d) Section 9 of such Act of September 30, 1965, is amended by striking out "Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Housing and Urban Development."

(e) The first sentence of section 11 of such Act of September 30, 1965, is amended by striking out "and" and by striking out the period at the end thereof and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon and the following: "\$16,200,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969; and \$21,200,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970."

(f) The first sentence of section 12 of such Act of September 30, 1965, is amended by striking out "1969" and inserting in lieu thereof "1971".

Approved July 24, 1968.

Public Law 90-424

AN ACT

To grant minerals, including oil, gas, and other natural deposits, on certain lands in the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation, Montana, to certain Indians, 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 3 of the Act of June 3, 1926 (44 Stat. 690), as amended by the Act of July 24, 1947 (61 Stat. 418), and the Act of September 22, 1961 (75 Stat. 586), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. (a) The coal or other minerals, including oil, gas, and other natural deposits, on said reservation are hereby reserved in perpetuity for the benefit of the tribe and may be leased with the consent of the Indian council for mining purposes in accordance with the provisions of the Act of May 11, 1938 (52 Stat. 347; 25 U.S.C. 396a-f), under such rules, regulations, and conditions as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe.

“(b) The unallotted lands of said tribe of Indians shall be held in common, subject to the control and management thereof as Congress may deem expedient for the benefit of said Indians.”

SEC. 2. The Northern Cheyenne Tribe is authorized to commence in the United States District Court for the District of Montana an action against the allottees who received allotments pursuant to the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended, their heirs or devisees, either individually or as a class, to determine whether under the provisions of the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended, the allottees, their heirs or devisees, have received a vested property right in the minerals which is protected by the fifth amendment. The United States District Court for the District of Montana shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine the action and an appeal from its judgment may be taken as provided by law. If the court determines that the allottees, their heirs or devisees, have a vested interest in the minerals which is protected by the fifth amendment, or if the tribe does not commence an action as here authorized within two years from the date of this Act, the first section of this Act shall cease to have any force or effect, and the provisions of section 3 of the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended by the Acts of July 24, 1947, and September 21, 1961, shall thereupon be carried out as fully as if section 3 had not been amended by this Act.

Approved July 24, 1968.

Public Law 90-425

AN ACT

July 26, 1968

[H. R. 17354]

Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969, and for other purposes, namely:

Department of
the Interior and
Related Agencies
Appropriation Act,
1969.

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND RESOURCES

For expenses necessary for protection, use, improvement, development, disposal, cadastral surveying, classification, and performance of other functions, as authorized by law, in the management of lands and their resources under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, \$50,751,000.