

Public Law 94-404  
94th Congress

An Act

Sept. 10, 1976  
[H.R. 11481]

To authorize appropriations for the fiscal year 1977 for certain maritime programs of the Department of Commerce, and for other purposes.

Maritime  
Appropriation  
Authorization Act  
of Fiscal Year  
1977.

*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 "Maritime Appropriation Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 1977".*

SEC. 2. Funds are authorized to be appropriated without fiscal year limitation as the appropriation Act may provide for the use of the Department of Commerce, for the fiscal year 1977, as follows:

- (1) For payment of obligations incurred for operating-differential subsidy, not to exceed \$403,721,000;
- (2) For expenses necessary for research and development activities, not to exceed \$22,500,000;
- (3) For reserve fleet expenses, not to exceed \$4,560,000;
- (4) For maritime training at the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York, not to exceed \$13,260,000; and
- (5) For financial assistance to State marine schools, not to exceed \$4,000,000.

Merchant Marine  
Academy, N.Y.

SEC. 3. There are authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1977, in addition to the amounts authorized by section 2 of this Act, such additional supplemental amounts, for the activities for which appropriations are authorized under section 2 of this Act, as may be necessary for increases in salary, pay, retirement, or other employee benefits authorized by law, and for increased costs for public utilities, food service, and other expenses of the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York.

Approved September 10, 1976.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

HOUSE REPORTS: No. 94-871 (Comm. on Merchant Marine and Fisheries) and No. 94-1375 (Comm. of Conference).

SENATE REPORTS: No. 94-833 (Comm. on Commerce) and No. 94-1056 (Comm. of Conference).

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 122 (1976):

Mar. 11, considered and passed House.

June 15, considered and passed Senate, amended.

Aug. 3, Senate agreed to conference report.

Aug. 30, House agreed to conference report.