

Public Law 98-556
98th Congress

An Act

Oct. 30, 1984
[S. 2499]

To authorize the appropriation of funds for certain maritime programs for fiscal year 1985.

Maritime
Appropriation
Authorization
Act for Fiscal
Year 1985.
Department of
Transportation.

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 for Fiscal Year 1985".

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 Transportation for fiscal year 1985 as follows:

(1) for payment of obligations incurred for operating-differential subsidy, not to exceed \$377,750,000;

(2) for expenses necessary for research and development activities, not to exceed \$10,000,000; and

(3) for expenses necessary for operations and training activities, not to exceed \$80,807,000, including not to exceed—

(A) \$42,550,000 for maritime education and training expenses, including not to exceed \$21,940,000 for maritime training at the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York, \$16,200,000 for financial assistance to State maritime academies (of which \$5,000,000 shall be for the conversion of the vessel Santa Mercedes for use as a suitable training vessel), \$3,000,000 for fuel oil assistance to State maritime academy training vessels, and \$1,410,000 for expenses necessary for additional training;

(B) \$9,111,000 for national security support capabilities, including not to exceed \$7,506,000 for reserve fleet expenses, and \$1,605,000 for emergency planning/operations; and

(C) \$29,146,000 for other operations and training expenses.

SEC. 3. Funds are authorized to be appropriated for the use of the Federal Maritime Commission, in the amount of \$12,292,000 for fiscal year 1985.

Federal Maritime Commission.

Approved October 30, 1984.

As amended by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that this Act may be cited as the "Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1984."

EXPLANATION OF FUNDS

Sec. 2. Funds are authorized to be appropriated for necessary expenses of the Coast Guard for fiscal years 1985 and 1986 as follows:

(1) For the operation and maintenance of the Coast Guard including expenses related to the Coast Guard's operating fleet, \$29,146,000 for fiscal year 1985 and \$12,292,000 for fiscal year 1986 and for increases in salary pay and other employee benefits authorized by law, and for the full amount of fixed costs associated with operation of five Coast Guard patrol boats, including maintenance, Coast Guard military personnel, and other items, for each such boat, for each such year.

(2) For the acquisition, construction, and renovation of aids to navigation, shore facilities, vessels, and aircraft, including equipment related thereto, \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 1985 for which \$10,000,000 shall be for design, survey, program, and construction of a service and repair facility in Western Alaska to serve the Aleutian Islands and \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 1986 in which \$10,000,000 shall be for construction of such facility.

(3) For research, development, test, and evaluation \$24,000,000 for fiscal year 1985 and \$2,000,000 for fiscal year 1986.

(4) For the initiation or removal of bridges over navigable waters of the United States, including construction to navigate such bridges, \$2,000,000 for fiscal year 1985 and such sums as may be necessary for expenses of the Coast Guard for such purposes for fiscal year 1986.

(5) For retired pay including the payment of obligations therefor otherwise chargeable to federal appropriations for the purchase and payment under the retired pay program of the Coast Guard and the United States Coast Guard, and for payments for medical care of retired personnel and their dependents under the program, \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 1985 and 1986.

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Coast Guard's full-time equivalent staff levels for fiscal years 1985 and 1986 shall be maintained as follows:

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