

FORMULA AND BUS GRANTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORITY)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

(INCLUDING RESCISSION)

The bill limits obligations from the Mass Transit Account for the formula and bus grant program to \$8,260,565,000 which is \$100,000,000 below the level proposed in the budget request and \$492,678,000 above the fiscal year 2008 enacted level. The bill includes a liquidating cash appropriation of \$8,670,000,000.

Bus and bus facilities.—Within the funds provided for bus and bus facilities, the FTA is directed to allocate funds to the following priorities:

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As FTA reviews potential projects for the remaining unobligated balances in the bus and bus facilities account, the agency is expected to give priority consideration to the following projects:

Ardmore Transit Center, Pennsylvania
Billings public bus and medical transfer facility, Montana
Brattleboro Multimodal, Vermont
Broome County Hybrid Buses, New York
Burlington Transit Facilities, Vermont
Callowhill Bus Garage Replacement, Pennsylvania
Central New York Regional Transportation Authority, New York
Champaign Day Care Center/Park-n-Ride, Illinois
City of Chicago, Free Trolley System, Illinois
City of Champaign Bus and Bus Related Funding, Illinois
City of Moultrie, Georgia, Intermodal Facility, Georgia
Coatesville Train Station, Pennsylvania
Doly-Crisp Unified Transportation System, Georgia
Illinois Statewide buses and facilities, Illinois
Intermodal Station Improvements for Beverly and Salem, Massachusetts
Intermodal Transfer Facility at Duncan and Boyle, Missouri
Intermodal Transportation Facility at the Bronx Zoo, New York
Leesburg Train Depot Renovation and Restoration, Georgia
Lehigh-Northampton Transportation Authority's (LANTA) Easton Intermodal Project, Pennsylvania
Nassau County Hub and Centre, New York
Rapid Transit Handicap Accessibility, Newton, Massachusetts
Regional Transit Project for Quitman, Clay, Randolph, and Stewart Counties, Georgia

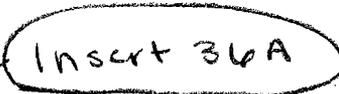
for 2009
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Renaissance Square, New York
Rochester, New York Intermodal Facility, New York
Rochester Central Bus Terminal, New York
Rochester Renaissance Square Transit Center, New York
Rochester Renaissance Square Intermodal Facility, Design and Construction, New York
Santa Barbara Coast Rail Track Improvement Project, California
Springfield Union Station Intermodal Facility, Massachusetts

Springfield Union station.—FTA should continue to work with State and local officials to develop a reasonable schedule for the revised Springfield Union Station project in Massachusetts.

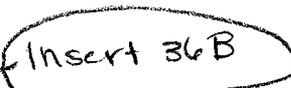
West Virginia statewide bus and bus facilities.—Consistent with section 3044 of SAFETEA-LU, the bill includes \$10,417,280 for West Virginia bus and bus facilities in fiscal year 2009.

Alternatives analysis.—The FTA is directed to allocate funds to the following alternatives analysis projects:

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RESEARCH AND UNIVERSITY RESEARCH CENTERS

The bill provides \$67,000,000 from the General Fund for FTA's research activities which is \$7,400,000 above the budget request and \$1,637,100 above the fiscal year 2008 enacted level. Of the amounts provided, \$4,300,000 is for the National Transit Institute, \$10,000,000 is for transit cooperative research programs, and \$7,000,000 is for the university centers program. Of the remaining funds provided for national research programs, FTA is directed to allocate funds to the following activities:

~~[Insert FTA Research Table]~~  Insert 36B

Public transportation for the elderly.—The recommendation includes \$750,000 to fund local community efforts to demonstrate innovative and effective solutions to enhance mobility for older adults. Funding may be used to create comprehensive mobility management systems, increase mobility in urban and rural areas, and efforts to improve public transit access for older persons.

Research plan.—Consistent with previous years, FTA is directed to provide a report describing all FTA-sponsored research projects from fiscal year 2008 and 2009. The report is due May 18, 2009.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS

The bill provides \$1,809,250,000 from the General Fund for capital investment grants, which is \$188,421,107 above the budget request and \$240,158,003 more than the fiscal year 2008 enacted level. FTA is directed to follow reporting requirements related to full funding grant