Historic Preservation Act of 1966 [16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.], and section 303 of title 49 are inapplicable to actions taken in negotiating, approving, or implementing service transfers under title IV of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973 [45 U.S.C. 761 et seq.]¹ and to the implementation of the sale of the interest of the United States in Conrail under the Conrail Privatization Act [45 U.S.C. 1301 et seq.].

(b) The operation of trains by Conrail shall not be subject to the requirement of any State or local law which specifies the minimum number of crew members who must be employed in connection with the operation of such trains.

(Pub. L. 97–35, title XI, \$1168, Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 687; Pub. L. 99–509, title IV, \$4033(c)(1)(B), Oct. 21, 1986, 100 Stat. 1908.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Administrative Procedure Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is act June 11, 1946, ch. 324, 60 Stat. 237, as amended, which was classified to sections 1001 to 1011 of former title 5 and which was repealed and reenacted as subchapter II (§551 et seq.) of chapter 5, and chapter 7 (§701 et seq.), of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89–554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

The Government in the Sunshine Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 94–409, Sept. 13, 1976, 90 Stat. 1241, which enacted section 552b of Title 5, amended sections 551, 552, 556, and 557 of Title 5, section 10 of Pub. L. 92–463, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, and section 410 of Title 39, Postal Service, and enacted provisions set out as notes under section 552b of Title 5. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1976 Amendment note set out under section 552b of Title 5 and Tables.

The Federal Advisory Committee Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 92–463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, as amended, which is set out in the Appendix to Title 5.

The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, referred to in subsec. (a), probably means the National Historic Preservation Act, Pub. L. 89–665, Oct. 15, 1966, 80 Stat. 915, as amended, which is classified generally to subchapter II (§ 470 et seq.) of chapter 1A of Title 16, Conservation. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 470(a) of Title 16 and Tables.

The Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 93–236, Jan. 2, 1974, 87 Stat. 985, as amended. Title IV of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973 was classified generally to subchapter IV (§761 et seq.) of chapter 16 of this title, and was repealed by Pub. L. 99–509, title IV, §4033(a)(1), Oct. 21, 1986, 100 Stat. 1908. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 701 of this title and Tables.

The Conrail Privatization Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is subtitle A (§§4001–4052) of title IV of Pub. L. 99–509, Oct. 21, 1986, 100 Stat. 1892, which is classified principally to chapter 22 (§1301 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1301 of this title and Tables.

## CODIFICATION

In subsec. (a), "section 303 of title 49" substituted for "section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [49 U.S.C. 1653(f)]" on authority of Pub. L. 97–449, §6(b), Jan. 12, 1983, 96 Stat. 2443, the first section of which enacted subtitle I (§101 et seq.) and chapter 31 (§3101 et seq.) of subtitle II of Title 49, Transportation.

# AMENDMENTS

1986—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99-509 inserted "and to the implementation of the sale of the interest of the United States in Conrail under the Conrail Privatization Act".

### CHAPTER 21—ALASKA RAILROAD TRANSFER

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1214.	Separability.

### § 1201. Findings

The Congress finds that-

- (1) the Alaska Railroad, which was built by the Federal Government to serve the transportation and development needs of the Territory of Alaska, presently is providing freight and passenger services that primarily benefit residents and businesses in the State of Alaska;
- (2) many communities and individuals in Alaska are wholly or substantially dependent on the Alaska Railroad for freight and passenger service and provision of such service is an essential governmental function;
- (3) continuation of services of the Alaska Railroad and the opportunity for future expansion of those services are necessary to achieve Federal, State, and private objectives; however, continued Federal control and financial support are no longer necessary to accomplish these objectives:
- (4) the transfer of the Alaska Railroad and provision for its operation by the State in the manner contemplated by this chapter is made pursuant to the Federal goal and ongoing program of transferring appropriate activities to the States;
- (5) the State's continued operation of the Alaska Railroad following the transfer contemplated by this chapter, together with such expansion of the railroad as may be necessary or convenient in the future, will constitute an appropriate public use of the rail system and associated properties, will provide an essential governmental service, and will promote the general welfare of Alaska's residents and visitors; and
- (6) in order to give the State government the ability to determine the Alaska Railroad's role in serving the State's transportation needs in the future, including the opportunity to extend rail service, and to provide a savings to the Federal Government, the Federal Government should offer to transfer the railroad to the State, in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, in the same manner in which other Federal transportation functions (including highways and airports) have been transferred since Alaska became a State in 1959.

(Pub. L. 97–468, title VI, §602, Jan. 14, 1983, 96 Stat. 2556.)

# REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in pars. (4) to (6), was in the original "this title", meaning title VI ( $\S 601$  et seq.) of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.