

(d) There are authorized to be appropriated \$15,000,000 for purposes of providing transaction assistance in accordance with section 825(h)(1)(A) and (B) of this title.

(e) Amounts appropriated under this section are authorized to remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 96-101, §14, Nov. 4, 1979, 93 Stat. 743; Pub. L. 96-254, title I, §109, May 30, 1980, 94 Stat. 403; Pub. L. 96-448, title VII, §701(c)(2), Oct. 14, 1980, 94 Stat. 1961; Pub. L. 97-468, title II, §234(b), Jan. 14, 1983, 96 Stat. 2547.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 909 of this title, referred to in subsec. (a), was in the original "section 10", meaning section 10 of Pub. L. 96-101, Nov. 4, 1979, 93 Stat. 741. Subsecs. (a) to (g) of section 10 are classified to section 909 of this title. Subsec. (h) of section 10 amended section 231f(b)(7) of this title.

The Rock Island Railroad Transition and Employee Assistance Act, referred to in subsec. (c), is title I of Pub. L. 96-254, May 30, 1980, 94 Stat. 399, which is classified principally to chapter 19 (§1001 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1001 of this title and Tables.

Section 825 of this title, referred to in subsec. (d), was repealed by Pub. L. 105-178, title VII, §7203(a)(2), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 477.

#### AMENDMENTS

1983—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 97-468 struck out provision that, effective Oct. 1, 1980, there was authorized to be appropriated an additional \$1,500,000 for new career training assistance under section 911 of this title and section 1014 of this title.

1980—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 96-254, §109(b), inserted provisions authorizing an appropriation of an additional \$1,500,000, effective Oct. 1, 1980, for career training assistance under section 911 of this title and section 1014 of this title.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 96-254, §109(a), inserted provisions authorizing the use of previously appropriated funds to carry out administrative expenses under the Rock Island Railroad Transition and Employee Assistance Act and authorizing an appropriation of an additional \$1,000,000, effective Oct. 1, 1980, to carry out administrative expenses under this chapter and the Rock Island Railroad Transition and Employee Assistance Act.

Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 96-448 added subsec. (d) and redesignated former subsec. (d) as (e).

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-448 effective Oct. 14, 1980, see section 710(d) of Pub. L. 96-448, set out as a note under section 1170 of Title 11, Bankruptcy.

### § 914. Obligation guarantees

#### (a) Authorization

The Secretary of Transportation, under the authority of section 831 of this title, shall guarantee obligations of the Milwaukee Railroad for purposes of providing employee protection in accordance with the terms of the employee protection agreement entered into under section 908 of this title. Guarantees under this section shall be entered into without regard to the requirements of subsection (g) of section 831 of this title.

#### (b) Obligations as administrative expense

Any obligation guaranteed pursuant to this section shall be treated as an administrative expense of the estate of the Milwaukee Railroad.

#### (c) Limit on aggregate unpaid principal amount

The aggregate unpaid principal amount of obligations which may be guaranteed by the Secretary pursuant to this section shall not exceed \$75,000,000.

#### (d) Limit on total liability

The total liability of the Milwaukee Railroad in connection with benefits and allowances provided under an employee protection agreement entered into under section 908 of this title shall not exceed \$75,000,000.

#### (e) Liability of United States respecting section 908 agreements

Except in connection with obligations guaranteed under this section, the United States shall incur no liability to employees in connection with any employee protection agreement entered into under section 908 of this title.

#### (f) Applicability of section 836 of this title

Section 836 of this title shall not apply to any obligation guaranteed under this section.

(Pub. L. 96-101, §15, Nov. 4, 1979, 93 Stat. 743; Pub. L. 96-448, title VII, §701(a)(3), Oct. 14, 1980, 94 Stat. 1959.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 831 of this title, referred to in subsec. (a), was repealed by Pub. L. 105-178, title VII, §7203(a)(2), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 477, except for subsec. (c) of that section, which was renumbered and transferred to section 823(b) of this title by section 7203(a)(4) of Pub. L. 105-178.

#### AMENDMENTS

1980—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 96-448 inserted "to employees" after "no liability".

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-448 effective Oct. 14, 1980, see section 710(d) of Pub. L. 96-448, set out as a note under section 1170 of Title 11, Bankruptcy.

### § 915. Court approved abandonment and sales in pending cases

#### (a) Abandonment of lines of railroad under Bankruptcy Act

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in any case pending under section 77 of the Bankruptcy Act on November 4, 1979, the court may authorize the abandonment of lines of railroad pursuant to section 1170 of title 11. Pending the expiration of the time for appeal of an abandonment order or the determination of any such appeal, the court may authorize the termination of service on a line to be abandoned, and the order authorizing such termination may not be stayed. In authorizing any abandonment pursuant to this section, the court shall require the carrier to provide a fair arrangement at least as protective of the interests of employees as that required under section 11347<sup>1</sup> of title 49.

#### (b) Sale or transfer of lines of railroad under Bankruptcy Act

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in any case pending under section 77 of the Bankruptcy Act on November 4, 1979, the court

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