

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 104-287, §6(f)(4)(A), Oct. 11, 1996, 110 Stat. 3399, provided that the amendment made by section 6(f)(4)(A) is effective Dec. 29, 1995.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1995 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-88 effective Jan. 1, 1996, see section 2 of Pub. L. 104-88, set out as an Effective Date note under section 1301 of Title 49, Transportation.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-555 effective Oct. 1, 1976, see section 303 of Pub. L. 94-555, set out as a note under section 702 of this title.

ABOLITION OF SPECIAL COURT, REGIONAL RAIL REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1973, AND TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Special court abolished and all jurisdiction and functions transferred to United States District Court for District of Columbia, see section 719(b)(2) of this title.

ABOLITION OF INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION AND TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Interstate Commerce Commission abolished and functions of Commission transferred, except as otherwise provided in Pub. L. 104-88, to Surface Transportation Board effective Jan. 1, 1996, by section 1302 of Title 49, Transportation, and section 101 of Pub. L. 104-88, set out as a note under section 1301 of Title 49. References to Interstate Commerce Commission deemed to refer to Surface Transportation Board, a member or employee of the Board, or Secretary of Transportation, as appropriate, see section 205 of Pub. L. 104-88, set out as a note under section 1301 of Title 49.

ABOLITION OF UNITED STATES RAILWAY ASSOCIATION AND TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS AND SECURITIES

See section 1341 of this title.

APPLICABILITY OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT

Application of National Environmental Policy Act to actions of Commission not affected by title VI of Pub. L. 94-210, see section 619 of Pub. L. 94-210, set out as a note under section 791 of this title.

§ 744a. End of Conrail commuter service obligation

Notwithstanding any other provision of law or contract, Conrail shall be relieved of any legal obligation to operate commuter service on January 1, 1983.

(Pub. L. 97-35, title XI, §1136, Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 647.)

Editorial Notes**CODIFICATION**

Section was enacted as part of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 and also as part of the Northeast Rail Service Act of 1981, and not as part of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973 which comprises this chapter.

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Section effective Aug. 13, 1981, see section 1169 of Pub. L. 97-35, set out as a note under section 1101 of this title.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATION TO FACILITATE TRANSFER OF RAIL COMMUTER SERVICE FROM CONRAIL TO OTHER OPERATORS; STANDARDS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS

Pub. L. 97-35, title XI, §1139(b), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 652, as amended by Pub. L. 97-468, title V, §504(a), Jan. 14, 1983, 96 Stat. 2552, provided that an amount up to \$50,000,000 would be appropriated to the Secretary to facilitate the transfer of rail commuter services from Conrail to other operators, with the Secretary to prescribe by regulation standards for the obligation and distribution of the funds, which would be available only until Oct. 1, 1986.

§ 745. Continuing reorganization; supplemental transactions**(a) Proposals**

If the Secretary or the Association determines that, as part of continuing reorganization, further restructuring of rail properties in the region through transactions supplemental to the final system plan would promote the establishment and retention of a financially self-sustaining rail service system in the region adequate to meet the needs of the region, the Secretary or the Association, as the case may be, may develop proposals for such supplemental transactions as are necessary or appropriate to implement the needed restructuring. Transfers of rail properties included in proposals developed by the Association shall be limited to (1) rail properties which would have qualified for designation under section 716(c)(1)(A) of this title but which were not transferred or conveyed under the final system plan, and which the Association finds to be essential to the efficient operations of the Corporation, and (2) transfers, consistent with the final system plan, of rail properties from the Corporation to a subsidiary thereof. Each proposal (other than a proposal developed by the Association) shall be submitted in writing to the Association and shall state and describe any transactions proposed, the rail properties involved, the parties to such transactions, the financial and other terms of such transactions, the purposes of the chapter or the goals of the final system plan intended to be effected by such transactions, and such other information incidental thereto as the Association may prescribe. Within 10 days after receipt of a proposal developed by the Secretary, and upon the development of a proposal developed by the Association, the Association shall publish a summary of such proposal in the Federal Register, and shall afford interested persons (including the Corporation when property is to be transferred to or from the Corporation) an opportunity to comment thereon.

(b) Evaluation by Association

The Association shall analyze each proposal containing one or more supplemental transactions, taking into account the comments of interested persons and statements and exhibits submitted at any public hearings which may