2015—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 114–94, 11303(b)(1)(D)(i),

substituted "(45" for "(43". Subsec. (c)(2)(B). Pub. L. 114–94, \$11303(b)(1)(D)(ii), substituted "protective arrangements that are equivalent to the protective arrangements established" for "protective arrangements established"

Subsec. (d)(1). Pub. L. 114-94, §11303(b)(1)(D)(iii), in introductory provisions, inserted "or unless Amtrak ceased providing intercity passenger railroad transportation over the affected route more than 3 years before the commencement of new service" after "unless such service was provided solely by Amtrak to another enti-

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 114-94, §11303(b)(1)(D)(iv), substituted "under this chapter for commuter rail passenger transportation (as defined in section 24102(3)).' for "under this chapter for commuter rail passenger transportation, as defined in section 24102(4) of this

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2015 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 114-94 effective Oct. 1, 2015, see section 1003 of Pub. L. 114-94, set out as a note under section 5313 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

Assistance With Buy America Waiver Requests

Pub. L. 110-432, div. B, title III, §301(c), Oct. 16, 2008, 122 Stat. 4946, as amended by Pub. L. 115-420, §7(b)(3)(B)(i), Jan. 3, 2019, 132 Stat. 5447, provided that: "In implementing section 22905(a) of title 49, United States Code, the Federal Highway Administration shall, upon request by the Federal Railroad Administration, assist the Federal Railroad Administration in developing a process for posting on its website or distributing via email notices of waiver requests received pursuant to such subsection and soliciting public comments on the intent to issue a waiver. The Federal Railroad Administration's development of such a process does not relieve the Federal Railroad Administration of the requirements under paragraph (4) of such subsection.

§ 22906. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Transportation for capital grants under this chapter the following amounts:

- (1) For fiscal year 2009, \$100,000,000.
- (2) For fiscal year 2010, \$300,000,000.
- (3) For fiscal year 2011, \$400,000,000.
- (4) For fiscal year 2012, \$500,000,000.
- (5) For fiscal year 2013, \$600,000,000.

(Added Pub. L. 110-432, div. B, title III, §301(a), Oct. 16, 2008, 122 Stat. 4946, §24406; renumbered §22906, Pub. L. 115–420, §7(a)(1), Jan. 3, 2019, 132 Stat. 5445.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2019—Pub. L. 115-420 renumbered section 24406 of this title as this section.

§ 22907. Consolidated rail infrastructure and safety improvements

- (a) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may make grants under this section to an eligible recipient to assist in financing the cost of improving passenger and freight rail transportation systems in terms of safety, efficiency, or reliability.
- (b) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS.—The following entities are eligible to receive a grant under this section:

- (1) A State (including the District of Colum-
 - (2) A group of States.
 - (3) An Interstate Compact.
- (4) A public agency or publicly chartered authority established by 1 or more States.
- (5) A political subdivision of a State.
- (6) Amtrak or another rail carrier that provides intercity rail passenger transportation (as rail carrier and intercity rail passenger transportation are defined in section 24102).
- (7) A Class II railroad or Class III railroad (as those terms are defined in section 20102).
- (8) An association representing 1 or more railroads described in paragraph (7).
 - (9) A federally recognized Indian Tribe.
- (10) Any rail carrier or rail equipment manufacturer in partnership with at least 1 of the entities described in paragraphs (1) through
- (11) The Transportation Research Board and any entity with which it contracts in the development of rail-related research, including cooperative research programs.
- (12) A University transportation center engaged in rail-related research.
- (13) A non-profit labor organization representing a class or craft of employees of rail carriers or rail carrier contractors.
- ELIGIBLE Projects.—The projects are eligible to receive grants under this section:
- (1) Deployment of railroad safety technology, including positive train control and rail integrity inspection systems.
- (2) A capital project as defined in section 22901(2), except that a project shall not be required to be in a State rail plan developed under chapter 227.
- (3) A capital project identified by the Secretary as being necessary to address congestion or safety challenges affecting rail service.
- (4) A capital project identified by the Secretary as being necessary to reduce congestion and facilitate ridership growth in intercity passenger rail transportation along heavily traveled rail corridors.
- (5) A highway-rail grade crossing improvement project, including installation, repair, or improvement of grade separations, railroad crossing signals, gates, and related technologies, highway traffic signalization, highway lighting and crossing approach signage, roadway improvements such as medians or other barriers, railroad crossing panels and surfaces, and safety engineering improvements to reduce risk in quiet zones or potential quiet zones.
- (6) A rail line relocation or improvement project.
- (7) A capital project to improve short-line or regional railroad infrastructure.
- (8) The preparation of regional rail and corridor service development plans and corresponding environmental analyses.
- (9) Any project that the Secretary considers necessary to enhance multimodal connections or facilitate service integration between rail service and other modes, including between intercity rail passenger transportation and intercity bus service or commercial air serv-