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S. 2388

To authorize appropriations for Fiscal Year 2001 for certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 11, 2000

Mr. HOLLINGS (by request) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Maritime Administra-
5 tion Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001”.

6 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL**
7 **YEAR 2001.**

8 Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated, as
9 Appropriations Acts may provide, for the use of the De-

1 partment of Transportation for the Maritime Administra-
2 tion as follows:

3 (1) For expenses necessary for operations and
4 training activities, not to exceed \$80,240,000 for the
5 fiscal year ending September 30, 2001.

6 (2) For the costs, as defined in section 502 of
7 the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, of guaran-
8 teed loans authorized by Title XI of the Merchant
9 Marine Act, 1936 (46 U.S.C. App. 1271 et seq.),
10 \$2,000,000, to be available until expended. In addi-
11 tion, for administrative expenses related to loan
12 guarantee commitments under Title XI of that Act,
13 \$4,179,000.

14 **SEC. 3. AMENDMENTS TO TITLE IX OF THE MERCHANT MA-**
15 **RINE ACT, 1936.**

16 (a) Title IX of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936 (46
17 U.S.C. App. 101 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
18 thereof the following:

19 **“SEC. 910. DOCUMENTATION OF CERTAIN DRY CARGO VES-**
20 **SELS.**

21 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The restrictions of section
22 901(b)(1) of this Act concerning a vessel built in a foreign
23 country shall not apply to a drybulk or breakbulk vessel
24 over 7,500 deadweight tons that has been delivered from

1 a foreign shipyard or contracted for construction in a for-
2 eign shipyard before the earlier of—

3 “(1) the date that is 1 year after the date of
4 enactment of the Maritime Administration Author-
5 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2001; or

6 “(2) the effective date of the OECD Ship-
7 building Trade Agreement Act.

8 “(b) COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN U.S.-BUILD RE-
9 QUIREMENTS.—A vessel timely contracted for or delivered
10 pursuant to this section and documented under the laws
11 of the United States shall be deemed to have been United-
12 States built for purposes of sections 901(b) and 901b of
13 this Act if—

14 “(1) following delivery by a foreign shipyard,
15 the vessel has any additional shipyard work nec-
16 essary to receive a Coast Guard certificate of inspec-
17 tion performed in a United States shipyard;

18 “(2) the vessel is not documented in another
19 country before being documented under the laws of
20 the United States;

21 “(3) the vessel complies with the same inspec-
22 tion standards set forth for ocean common carriers
23 in section 1137 of the Coast Guard Authorization
24 Act of 1996 (46 U.S.C. App. 1187 note); and

