

Public Law 99-423  
99th Congress

## An Act

To authorize the Smithsonian Institution to plan and construct facilities for certain science activities of the Institution, and for other purposes.

Sept. 30, 1986

[H. R. 1483]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution is authorized to plan and construct facilities for the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory and the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute.

Research and  
development.  
20 USC 50 note.

SEC. 2. Effective October 1, 1986, there is authorized to be appropriated to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution:

Effective date.  
Appropriation  
authorization.

(a) \$4,500,000 for the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory;  
and

(b) \$11,100,000 for the Smithsonian Tropical Research  
Institute.

SEC. 3. Any portion of the sums appropriated to carry out the purposes of this Act may be transferred to the General Services Administration which, in consultation with the Smithsonian Institution, is authorized to enter into contracts and take such other action, to the extent of the sums so transferred to it, as may be necessary to carry out such purposes.

Contracts.

Approved September 30, 1986.

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.R. 1483:****SENATE REPORTS:** No. 99-189 (Comm. on Rules and Administration).**CONGRESSIONAL RECORD:**

Vol. 131 (1985): Oct. 7, considered and passed House.

Vol. 132 (1986): June 24, considered and passed Senate, amended.

Sept. 18, House concurred in Senate amendments.