NATIONAL HIGHWAY SAFETY BUREAU

PROGRAM.—STATE AND COMMUNITY HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAMS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

A. Statutory or administrative authority for the program

This program includes the making of grants to States to be used by those States and their political subdivisions to enlarge or improve their highway safety programs in accordance with section 402 of the Highway Safety Act of 1966, Public Law 89–564. Included is the cost of administration directly related to carrying out the provisions of that section of the act.

B. Outlook

These outputs can be quantified in terms of dollar amounts allocated by States and political subdivisions to various functional areas of highway safety effort. It is also possible to develop numerical measures such as driver education pupil hours, but these measures will require a considerable amount of refinement and validation before they attain maximum value. The most difficult output measure to quantify is the reduction in traffic deaths, injuries, and property damage which will result from the new national effort. When the national data base has been developed and the data systems are operational, it will be possible for the first time to make valid scientific analyses of these benefits.

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