

*2. Where is it to fit into the Department of Transportation?*

Answer. Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1968 establishes an Urban Mass Transportation Administration within the Department of Transportation. The Administration is to be headed by an Urban Mass Transportation Administrator who is to be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Administrator is to perform such duties as the Secretary of Transportation shall prescribe.

*3. What Administration is in charge?*

Answer. The Urban Mass Transportation Administration created by the plan rather than an existing administration will be in charge. The new Administration will be one of the major operating units of the Department and its Administrator will report directly to the Secretary of Transportation.

*4. Who is the immediate director of the program?*

Answer. The urban mass transportation program in its current location in the Department of Housing and Urban Development is under the direction of a Director, Urban Transportation Administration. The position is vacant and direction is being exercised by the Deputy Director, William B. Hurd. The Director of the Urban Mass Transportation Administration reports to the Assistant Secretary of HUD for Metropolitan Development. The President has designated the Honorable John E. Robson, Under Secretary of Transportation, to be the interim Administrator of the Urban Mass Transportation Administration.

*5. Under whom does he serve?*

Answer. Same as No. 4.

*6. Who will be in charge of mass transit research?*

Answer. The mass transportation research programs will be under the direction of the Administrator of the new Urban Mass Transportation Administration when this program is transferred to the Department of Transportation.

*7. What is the status of the research program?*

Answer. The 1966 amendments to the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 authorizes a project to study and prepare a program of new systems of urban transportation and directed that the findings and recommendations be reported to the President for submission to the Congress. The report was transmitted to the Congress by the President on June 12, 1968.

*8. How will urban mass transit planning be coordinated with comprehensive urban planning?*

Answer. Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1968 reserves to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development authority to undertake projects and to make studies that concern (1) the relationship of urban transportation systems to comprehensively planned development of urban areas or (2) the role of transportation planning in overall urban planning. A report to the Congress on urban transportation organization by the Departments of Housing and Urban Development and Transportation (see appendix E) outlines the respective functional responsibilities and relationship of the two Departments in the field of comprehensive planning and urban transportation planning. Specific procedures for coordinating their respective roles in urban transportation and comprehensive development are currently being developed in detail.

Mr. Brooks. I want to thank you very much for being here today, you and your staff, and appreciate your cooperation and your concern about these very significant and challenging problems.

Secretary Boyd. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Brooks. The committee is adjourned.

(Whereupon, at 12:35 o'clock p.m., the subcommittee adjourned.)