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To authorize the Administrator of General Services to transfer to the Smithsonian Institution without reimbursement the General Post Office Building and the site thereof located in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

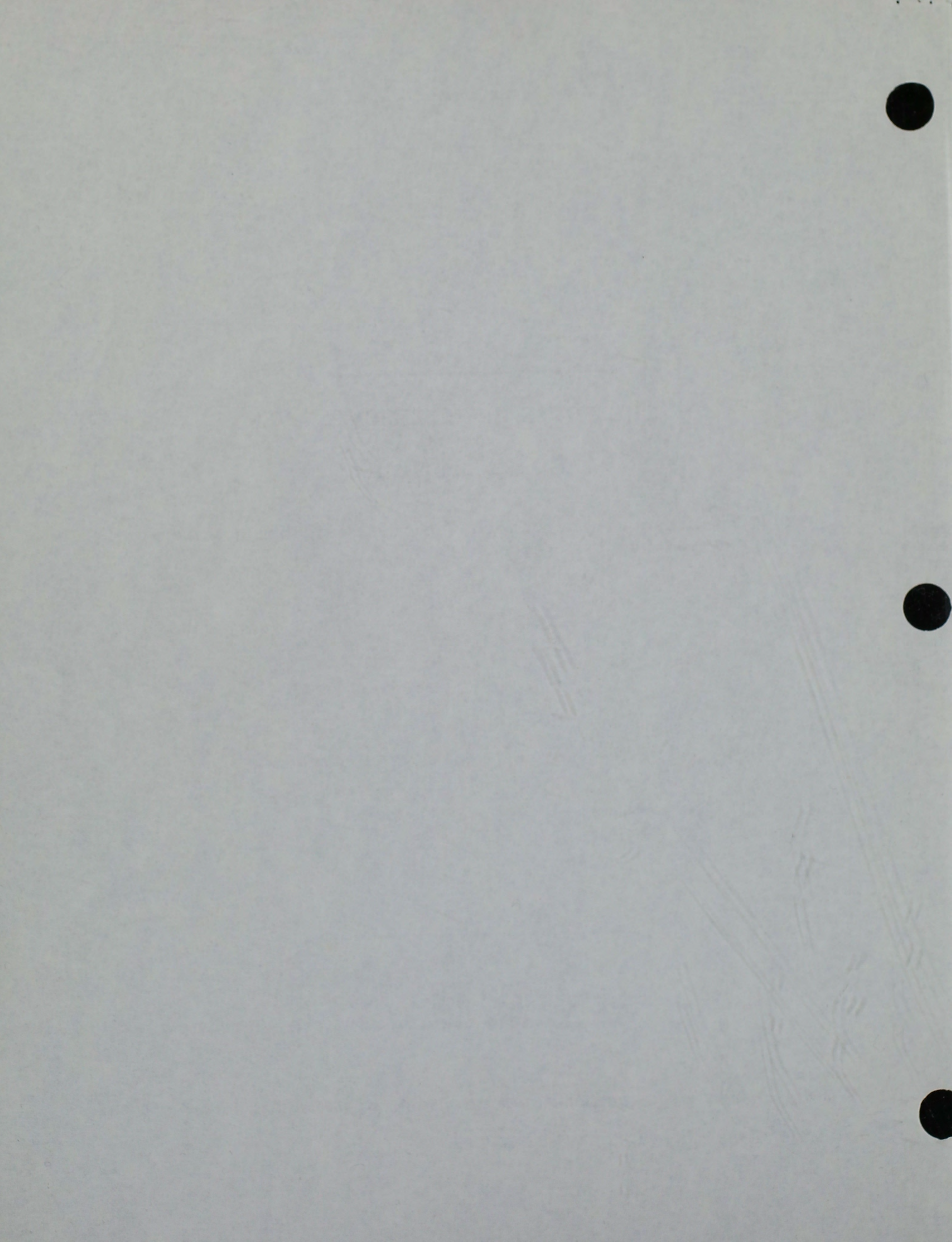
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. YOUNG of Missouri introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on

A BILL

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
2 States of America in Congress assembled,



1 That the Administrator of General Services (hereinafter in
2 this Act referred to as the ''Administrator'') shall
3 transfer the General Post Office Building with any attached
4 underground structures and the site of such building,
5 located between Seventh and Eighth Streets, Northwest, and E
6 and F Streets, Northwest, in the District of Columbia, to
7 the Smithsonian Institution for use by the Smithsonian
8 Institution for certain art galleries and related functions.
9 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, such transfer
10 shall be made without reimbursement. The transfer required
11 by this section shall be made at such time as the operations
12 of the United States International Trade Commission and the
13 United States Postal Service which are currently located in
14 such building have been suitably relocated.

15 SEC. 2. (a) The Administrator, at the earliest
16 practicable date, shall relocate all operations of the
17 United States International Trade Commission to a building
18 in downtown Washington, District of Columbia, that the
19 Administrator and the Chairman of such Commission jointly
20 determine is suitable for such operations. The Administrator
21 and the Chairman of such Commission shall each report
22 separately in writing to the Committees on Environment and
23 Public Works, Finance, and Rules and Administration of the
24 Senate and to the Committees on Public Works and
25 Transportation and Ways and Means of the House of

1 That the Administrator of General Services (hereinafter
2 referred to as the "Administrator") shall
3 transfer the General Services Building with its contents
4 and equipment to the site of the building
5 located between Seventh and Ninth Streets, Northwest, and
6 and T Street, Northwest, in the District of Columbia, to
7 the Smithsonian Institution for use by the Smithsonian
8 Institution for certain air pollution and related functions
9 notwithstanding any other provision of law, such transfer
10 shall be made without reimbursement. The transfer shall
11 be made as soon as possible after the date of the transfer
12 of the United States International Trade Commission and the
13 United States Postal Service which are currently located in
14 the building have been suitably relocated.
15 SEC. 2. (a) The Administrator, as the executor,
16 trustee, and administrator of the estate of the
17 United States International Trade Commission to a building
18 in downtown Washington, District of Columbia, that the
19 Administrator and the Chairman of such Commission (hereinafter
20 referred to as the "Commission") shall each report
21 and the Chairman of such Commission shall each report
22 separately in writing to the Committee on Environment and
23 Public Works, Finance, and Trade and Administration of the
24 Senate and to the Committee on Public Works and
25 Transportation and Ways and Means of the House of

1 Representatives not later than 60 days after the date of
2 enactment of this Act and every 30 days thereafter on the
3 status of the relocation required by this section.

4 (b) During the period in which the United States
5 International Trade Commission and the United States Postal
6 Service continue to occupy the General Post Office Building
7 referred to in the first section of this Act, the
8 Administrator shall maintain such building in order to
9 prevent its deterioration and to assure that conditions
10 therein are safe and the building is presentable and
11 suitable to the normal operations of such Commission and
12 Service.

13 SEC. 3. There is authorized to be appropriated to the
14 Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution \$35,000,000
15 for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 1984, for
16 renovation and repair, after the transfer made under the
17 first section of this Act, of the General Post Office
18 Building referred to in such section. Any portion of the
19 sums appropriated under this section may be transferred to
20 the General Services Administration which, in consultation
21 with the Smithsonian Institution, is authorized to enter
22 into contracts and take such other action, to the extent of
23 the sums so transferred to it, as may be necessary to carry
24 out such renovation and repair. No contract for such
25 renovation or repair shall be advertised or entered into

1 Representatives not later than 30 days after the date of
2 issuance of this Act and every 30 days thereafter, to the
3 status of the relations required by this section.
4 (b) In the event the building is damaged or destroyed
5 International Trade Commission and the United States Postal
6 Service continue to occupy the General Post Office Building
7 referred to in the first section of this Act, the
8 Administrator shall maintain such building in order to
9 prevent its deterioration and to ensure that conditions
10 therein are safe and the building is operable and
11 suitable to the normal operations of such Commission and
12 Service.
13 SEC. 3. There is authorized to be appropriated to the
14 Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution \$35,000,000
15 for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 1988, for
16 renovation and repair, after the transfer made under the
17 first section of this Act, of the General Post Office
18 Building referred to in such section. Any portion of the
19 sum appropriated under this section may be transferred to
20 the General Services Administration which, in consultation
21 with the Smithsonian Institution, is authorized to enter
22 into contracts and take such other action, to the extent of
23 the sum so transferred to it, as may be necessary to carry
24 out such renovation and repair. No contract for such
25 renovation or repair shall be advertised or entered into

1 before the end of the period of 30 days of continuous
2 session of Congress beginning on the date the Smithsonian
3 Institution submits to the Committee on Public Works and
4 Transportation of the House of Representatives and the
5 Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate the
6 plans and advanced engineering and design for such
7 renovation and repair. For purposes of this section,
8 continuity of session is broken only by an adjournment of
9 Congress sine die, and the days on which either House is not
10 in session because of an adjournment of more than three days
11 to a day certain are excluded in the computation of any
12 period of time in which Congress is in continuous session.

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