

ninety (90) days after its adoption by the signatories and consent thereto by the Congress of the United States, including the enactment by the Congress of such legislation, if any, as it may deem necessary to grant this Commission jurisdiction over transportation in the District of Columbia and between the signatories and over the persons engaged therein, to suspend the applicability of the Interstate Commerce Act, the laws of the District of Columbia, and any other laws of the United States, to the persons, companies and activities which are subject to this sub-title, to the extent that such laws are inconsistent with, or in duplication of, the jurisdiction of the Commission or any provision of this sub-title, or any rule, regulation or order lawfully prescribed or issued under this sub-title, and to make effective the enforcement and review provisions of this sub-title.

ARTICLE IX

278. This compact may be amended from time to time without the prior consent or approval of the Congress and any such amendment shall be effective unless, within one year thereof, the Congress disapproves such an amendment. No amendment shall be effective unless adopted by each of the signatories hereto.

279. Any signatory may withdraw from the compact upon one year's written notice to that effect to the other signatories. In the event of a withdrawal of one of the signatories from the compact, the compact shall be terminated.

280. Upon the termination of this compact, the jurisdiction over the matters and persons covered by this sub-title shall revert to the signatories and the Federal Government, as their interests may appear, and the applicable laws of the signatories and the Federal Government shall be reactivated without further legislation.

ARTICLE X

281. Each of the signatories pledges to each of the other signatory parties faithful cooperation in the solution and control of transit and traffic problems within the Metropolitan District and, in order to effect such purposes, agrees to enact any necessary legislation to achieve the objectives of the compact to the mutual benefit of the citizens living within said Metropolitan District and for the advancement of the interests of the signatories hereto.

ARTICLE XI

282. If any part or provision of this compact or the application thereof to any person or circumstances be adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part, provision or application directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect or impair the validity of the remainder of this compact or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances and the signatories hereby declare that they would have entered into this compact or the remainder thereof had the invalidity of such provision or application thereof been apparent.

283. In accordance with the ordinary rules for construction of interstate compacts, this compact shall be liberally construed to eliminate the evils described therein and to effectuate the purposes thereof.