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Congress Passes Amtrak Funding; Rahall Says 'Cardinal' Run Included

Washington, D.C. -- Fourth District Rep. Nick Rahall (D-WV) announced that the Department of Transportation's Fiscal Year 1986 Appropriations bill, which was passed by the House today, contained funding for the Amtrak "Cardinal" run through southern West Virginia.

"The bill contains \$616 million in federal grants to Amtrak, allowing them to continue the Cardinal run through the Fourth District and other parts of southern West Virginia," Rahall said. I am pleased that my colleagues took this action to allow the people of West Virginia to continue to be served by Amtrak. We in West Virginia have suffered through the loss of bus service and other essential transportation systems through our area; at least we can still rely on Amtrak."

The Amtrak funding is part of an overall \$11.1 billion budget package for the Department of Transportation. The bill will now go to the Senate for consideration.

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