

**1-5. AUTHORITY TO EMPLOY**

**b. Section 3109, title 5, United States Code.** (1) Public Law 89-670 authorizes DOT to employ experts and consultants under this statute.

**1-6. PAY**

**a. Maximum daily pay rate.** Inquiries regarding rates payable higher than the top step of grade GS-15 should be referred to the Departmental Office of Personnel and Training, Executive Personnel and Training Division.

**c. Unpaid employment.** Inquiries regarding the employment of experts and consultants without pay should be referred to the Departmental Office of Personnel and Training, Executive Personnel and Training Division.