

Public Law 100-483
100th Congress

An Act

To authorize appropriations for the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute
Act for fiscal years 1990 through 1993.

Oct. 12, 1988
[H.R. 3977]

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

SECTION 1. REFERENCES.

Any reference in this Act to the "Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984" is a reference to the Act of August 29, 1984, entitled "To establish a State Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute program, and for other purposes" (30 U.S.C. 1221 through 1230).

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1988.

SEC. 2. ALLOTMENT GRANTS AUTHORIZATION PERIOD; LIMITATION.

Section 1(a)(1) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1221(a)(1)) is amended by striking "\$300,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1985, and \$400,000 to each participating State for each fiscal year thereafter for a total of five years" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "\$400,000 for each of the fiscal years ending September 30, 1990, through September 30, 1994".

SEC. 3. MATCHING FUNDS REQUIREMENT.

Grants.

Section 1(a)(2)(A) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1221(a)(2)(A)) is amended to read as follows:

"(A) Funds appropriated under this section shall be made available for grants to be matched on a basis of no less than 2 non-Federal dollars for each Federal dollar."

SEC. 4. RESEARCH SUBJECT.

The second sentence of section 1(b) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1221(b)) is amended by inserting "fuel and nonfuel" immediately after "production of".

SEC. 5. RESEARCH GRANTS AUTHORIZATION PERIOD.

Section 2(a) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1222(a)) is amended as follows:

(1) The first sentence is amended to read as follows: "There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary not more than \$15,000,000 for each of the fiscal years ending September 30, 1990, through September 30, 1994, which shall remain available until expended."

(2) The second sentence is deleted.

(3) In the third sentence, strike "institutes" and insert "an institute or to institutes participating in a generic mineral technology center".

SEC. 6. ADMINISTRATION.

The first sentence of section 4(a) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1224(a)) is amended by inserting “, acting through the Director of the Bureau of Mines,” immediately after “The Secretary”.

SEC. 7. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.

Section 6(d) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1226(d)) is amended to read as follows:

“(d)(1) There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary \$450,000 for each of the fiscal years ending September 30, 1990, through September 30, 1994, to administer this Act. No funds may be withheld by the Secretary for administrative expenses from those authorized to be appropriated by sections 1 and 2 of this Act.

“(2) There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary such sums as are necessary for the printing and publishing of the results of activities carried out by institutes and generic mineral technology centers under this Act, but such appropriations shall not exceed \$550,000 in any single fiscal year.”.

SEC. 8. ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Section 9(a)(7) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1229(a)(7)) is amended by striking “six” in the first and last sentences and inserting in lieu thereof “7”, and by striking “section 301 of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, two” and inserting in lieu thereof “this Act, 3”.

SEC. 9. PLAN UPDATE.

Section 9(e) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1229(e)) is amended by striking “update the plan annually thereafter” in the second sentence and inserting in lieu thereof “submit an annual update of such plan by January 15 of each calendar year”.

SEC. 10. ELIGIBILITY.

Section 10(b) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1230(b)) is amended to read as follows:

Schools and colleges.

“(b)(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), those colleges or universities which, on the date of enactment of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Amendments of 1988, have a mining or mineral resources research institute program which has been found to be eligible pursuant to this Act shall continue to be eligible subject to review at least once during the period authorized by the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Amendments of 1988, under the provisions of subsection (a). The results of such review shall be submitted by January 15, 1992, pursuant to section 11(a)(2) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Amendments of 1988.

“(2) Generic mineral technology centers established by the Secretary under this Act are to be composed of institutes eligible pursuant to subsection (a). Existing generic mineral technology centers shall continue to be eligible under this Act subject to at least one review prior to January 15, 1992, pursuant to section 11(a)(3) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Amendments of 1988.”.

SEC. 11. REPORTS.

30 USC 1229
note.

(a) **REPORT ON PROGRAMS.**—The Committee on Mining and Mineral Resources Research established under section 9 of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1229) shall submit a report by January 15, 1992, to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate on the programs established under that Act. Such report may be submitted in conjunction with the annual plan update required by section 9(e) of such Act (30 U.S.C. 1229(e)) and shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, each of the following:

(1) A review of the activities of the institutes and generic mineral technology centers established under the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984.

(2) A review of each institute's eligibility pursuant to section 10 of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1230).

(3) A review of each generic mineral technology center's eligibility. In conducting such review the committee shall consider the following criteria:

(A) Relevance and effectiveness of the research conducted.

(B) Need for further research in the generic area.

(4) Recommendations on establishing a mechanism by which new generic mineral technology centers can be established and existing centers can be phased-out or consolidated upon the completion of their mission.

(b) **REPORT ON PROPOSAL FOR CENTER.**—The committee shall submit a proposal to establish a Generic Mineral Technology Center on Strategic and Critical Minerals to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate by January 15, 1990.

SEC. 12. SHORT TITLE OF ACT.

The Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 is amended by inserting the following new section after section 10:

“SEC. 11. SHORT TITLE OF ACT.

“This Act may be cited as the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984.”

SEC. 13. SHORT TITLE OF AMENDMENTS.

This Act may be cited as the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Amendments of 1988.

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