

the Act is classified generally to subchapter II (§1281 et seq.) of chapter 26 of Title 33. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1251 of Title 33 and Tables.

The Public Health Service Act, referred to in subsec. (a)(1)(A)(vi), is act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, 58 Stat. 682. Title VI of the Act is classified generally to subchapter IV (§291 et seq.) of chapter 6A of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 201 of Title 42 and Tables.

The Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, referred to in subsec. (a)(1)(A)(viii), is Pub. L. 93-383, Aug. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 633. Title I of the Act is classified principally to chapter 69 (§5301 et seq.) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 5301 of Title 42 and Tables.

The Communications Act of 1934, referred to in subsec. (a)(1)(A)(ix), is act June 19, 1934, ch. 652, 48 Stat. 1064. Part IV of title III of the Act is classified generally to part IV (§390 et seq.) of subchapter III of chapter 5 of Title 47, Telecommunications. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 609 of Title 47 and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

2014—Subsec. (a)(1)(A)(ii). Pub. L. 113-287 substituted “chapter 2003 of title 54” for “the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 4601-4 et seq.)”.

2008—Subsec. (g)(1). Pub. L. 110-371, §2(g)(1), substituted “paragraphs (2) and (3)” for “paragraph (2)”.

Subsec. (g)(3). Pub. L. 110-371, §2(g)(2), added par. (3).

2006—Subsec. (a)(1)(A)(iv). Pub. L. 109-270 substituted “Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006” for “Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998”.

§ 14508. Economic and energy development initiative

(a) **PROJECTS TO BE ASSISTED.**—The Appalachian Regional Commission may provide technical assistance, make grants, enter into contracts, or otherwise provide amounts to persons or entities in the Appalachian region for projects and activities—

(1) to promote energy efficiency in the Appalachian region to enhance the economic competitiveness of the Appalachian region;

(2) to increase the use of renewable energy resources, particularly biomass, in the Appalachian region to produce alternative transportation fuels, electricity, and heat; and

(3) to support the development of regional, conventional energy resources to produce electricity and heat through advanced technologies that achieve a substantial reduction in emissions, including greenhouse gases, over the current baseline.

(b) **LIMITATION ON AVAILABLE AMOUNTS.**—Of the cost of any activity eligible for a grant under this section, not more than—

(1) 50 percent may be provided from amounts appropriated to carry out this section;

(2) in the case of a project to be carried out in a county for which a distressed county designation is in effect under section 14526, 80 percent may be provided from amounts appropriated to carry out this section; or

(3) in the case of a project to be carried out in a county for which an at-risk county designation is in effect under section 14526, 70 percent may be provided from amounts appropriated to carry out this section.

(c) **SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE.**—Subject to subsection (b), grants provided under this section may be provided from amounts made available to carry out this section in combination with amounts made available under other Federal programs or from any other source.

(d) **FEDERAL SHARE.**—Notwithstanding any provision of law limiting the Federal share under any other Federal program, amounts made available to carry out this section may be used to increase that Federal share, as the Commission decides is appropriate.

(Added Pub. L. 110-371, §3(a), Oct. 8, 2008, 122 Stat. 4040.)

§ 14509. High-speed broadband deployment initiative

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Appalachian Regional Commission may provide technical assistance, make grants, enter into contracts, or otherwise provide amounts to individuals or entities in the Appalachian region for projects and activities to increase affordable access to broadband networks throughout the Appalachian region.

(b) **ELIGIBLE PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES.**—A project or activity eligible to be carried out under this section is a project or activity—

(1) to conduct research, analysis, and training to increase broadband adoption efforts in the Appalachian region; or

(2) for the construction and deployment of broadband service-related infrastructure in the Appalachian region.

(c) **LIMITATION ON AVAILABLE AMOUNTS.**—Of the cost of any activity eligible for a grant under this section—

(1) not more than 50 percent may be provided from amounts appropriated to carry out this section; and

(2) notwithstanding paragraph (1)—

(A) in the case of a project to be carried out in a county for which a distressed county designation is in effect under section 14526, not more than 80 percent may be provided from amounts appropriated to carry out this section; and

(B) in the case of a project to be carried out in a county for which an at-risk designation is in effect under section 14526, not more than 70 percent may be provided from amounts appropriated to carry out this section.

(d) **SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE.**—Subject to subsection (c), a grant provided under this section may be provided from amounts made available to carry out this section in combination with amounts made available—

(1) under any other Federal program; or

(2) from any other source.

(e) **FEDERAL SHARE.**—Notwithstanding any provision of law limiting the Federal share under any other Federal program, amounts made available to carry out this section may be used to increase that Federal share, as the Appalachian Regional Commission determines to be appropriate.

(f) **REQUEST FOR DATA.**—Before making a grant for a project or activity described in subsection (b)(2), the Appalachian Regional Commission

shall request from the Federal Communications Commission, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, the Economic Development Administration, and the Department of Agriculture data on—

(1) the level and extent of broadband service that exists in the area proposed to be served by the broadband service-related infrastructure; and

(2) the level and extent of broadband service that will be deployed in the area proposed to be served by the broadband service-related infrastructure pursuant to another Federal program.

(g) **REQUIREMENT.**—For each fiscal year, not less than 65 percent of the amounts made available to carry out this section shall be used for grants for projects and activities described in subsection (b)(2).

(Added Pub. L. 114–94, div. A, title I, §1436(a)(1), Dec. 4, 2015, 129 Stat. 1430; amended Pub. L. 117–58, div. A, title I, §11506(d), Nov. 15, 2021, 135 Stat. 584.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2021—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 117–58, §11506(d)(1), added subsec. (a) and struck out former subsec. (a) which related to the Appalachian Regional Commission providing technical assistance, making grants, entering into contracts, or otherwise providing amounts to individuals or entities in the Appalachian region for projects and activities and specifying particular objectives in pars. (1) to (6).

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 117–58, §11506(d)(3), added subsec. (b). Former subsec. (b) redesignated (c).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 117–58, §11506(d)(2), redesignated subsec. (b) as (c). Former subsec. (c) redesignated (d).

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 117–58, §11506(d)(2), (4), redesignated subsec. (c) as (d) and substituted “subsection (c)” for “subsection (b)” in introductory provisions. Former subsec. (d) redesignated (e).

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 117–58, §11506(d)(2), redesignated subsec. (d) as (e).

Subsec. (f), (g). Pub. L. 117–58, §11506(d)(5), added subsecs. (f) and (g).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2021 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 117–58 effective Oct. 1, 2021, see section 10003 of Pub. L. 117–58, set out as a note under section 101 of Title 23, Highways.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 114–94, div. A, title I, §1436(d), Dec. 4, 2015, 129 Stat. 1432, provided that: “This section [enacting this section and amending sections 14703 and 14704 of this title] and the amendments made by this section take effect on October 1, 2015.”

§ 14510. Drug abuse mitigation initiative

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Appalachian Regional Commission may provide technical assistance to, make grants to, enter into contracts with, or otherwise provide amounts to individuals or entities in the Appalachian region for projects and activities to address drug abuse, including opioid abuse, in the region, including projects and activities—

(1) to facilitate the sharing of best practices among States, counties, and other experts in

the region with respect to reducing such abuse;

(2) to initiate or expand programs designed to eliminate or reduce the harm to the workforce and economic growth of the region that results from such abuse;

(3) to attract and retain relevant health care services, businesses, and workers; and

(4) to develop relevant infrastructure, including broadband infrastructure that supports the use of telemedicine.

(b) **LIMITATION ON AVAILABLE AMOUNTS.**—Of the cost of any activity eligible for a grant under this section—

(1) not more than 50 percent may be provided from amounts appropriated to carry out this section; and

(2) notwithstanding paragraph (1)—

(A) in the case of a project to be carried out in a county for which a distressed county designation is in effect under section 14526, not more than 80 percent may be provided from amounts appropriated to carry out this section; and

(B) in the case of a project to be carried out in a county for which an at-risk designation is in effect under section 14526, not more than 70 percent may be provided from amounts appropriated to carry out this section.

(c) **SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE.**—Subject to subsection (b), a grant provided under this section may be provided from amounts made available to carry out this section in combination with amounts made available—

(1) under any other Federal program (subject to the availability of subsequent appropriations); or

(2) from any other source.

(d) **FEDERAL SHARE.**—Notwithstanding any provision of law limiting the Federal share under any other Federal program, amounts made available to carry out this section may be used to increase that Federal share, as the Appalachian Regional Commission determines to be appropriate.

(Added Pub. L. 115–271, title VIII, §8062(a), Oct. 24, 2018, 132 Stat. 4094.)

§ 14511. Appalachian regional energy hub initiative

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Appalachian Regional Commission may provide technical assistance to, make grants to, enter into contracts with, or otherwise provide amounts to individuals or entities in the Appalachian region for projects and activities—

(1) to conduct research and analysis regarding the economic impact of an ethane storage hub in the Appalachian region that supports a more-effective energy market performance due to the scale of the project, such as a project with the capacity to store and distribute more than 100,000 barrels per day of hydrocarbon feedstock with a minimum gross heating value of 1,700 Btu per standard cubic foot;

(2) with the potential to significantly contribute to the economic resilience of the area in which the project is located; and