#### 111TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

# S. 3631

To encourage innovation to create clean technologies, and for other purposes.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. Murray introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

# A BILL

To encourage innovation to create clean technologies, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 4 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Clean Energy Works Act".
- 6 (b) Table of Contents.—The table of contents for
- 7 this Act is as follows:
  - Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

# TITLE I—ENCOURAGING INNOVATION TO CREATE CLEAN TECHNOLOGIES

Sec. 101. State energy programs.

Sec. 102. ARPA-E amendments.

TITLE II—PREPARING A CLEAN ENERGY WORKFORCE

- Sec. 201. Definitions.
- Sec. 202. Regional energy alliance skills grants.
- Sec. 203. Regional industry energy efficiency grants.
- Sec. 204. Customized low carbon energy training grants.
- Sec. 205. Authorization of appropriations.

#### TITLE III—MISCELLANEOUS

- Sec. 301. Clarification of application of grants for specified energy property to certain regulated companies.
- Sec. 302. Applicability of reporting requirements.

# 1 TITLE I—ENCOURAGING INNO-

## 2 VATION TO CREATE CLEAN

# 3 TECHNOLOGIES

- 4 SEC. 101. STATE ENERGY PROGRAMS.
- 5 (a) Allocation.—Section 363(b)(3) of the Energy
- 6 Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6323(b)(3)) is
- 7 amended—
- 8 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A), (B),
- 9 and (C) as clauses (i), (ii), and (iii), respectively,
- and indenting appropriately;
- 11 (2) in the matter preceding clause (i) (as redes-
- ignated by paragraph (1)), by striking "(3) In deter-
- mining" and inserting the following:
- 14 "(3) Determination of Federal Financial
- 15 ASSISTANCE.—
- 16 "(A) IN GENERAL.—In determining"; and
- 17 (3) by adding at the end the following:
- 18 "(B) Allocation.—
- 19 "(i) In General.—For each fiscal
- year, if the funds made available to the

1	Secretary to carry out this part exceed
2	\$25,500,000—
3	"(I) $$25,500,000$ shall be allo-
4	cated to each participating State in
5	accordance with the table contained in
6	section 420.11 of title 10, Code of
7	Federal Regulations (as in effect on
8	the date of enactment of this subpara-
9	graph); and
10	"(II) any additional amount shall
11	be allocated in accordance with clause
12	(ii).
13	"(ii) Allocation of excess
14	FUNDS.—An amount described in clause
15	(i)(II) shall be allocated to each partici-
16	pating State as follows:
17	"(I) One-third of the amount
18	shall be divided equally among the
19	participating States.
20	"(II) One-third of the amount
21	shall be distributed ratably among the
22	participating States based on the pop-
23	ulation of each participating State, as
24	contained in the most recent reliable
25	census data available from the Bureau

1	of the Census of the Department of
2	Commerce, for all participating States
3	at the time at which the Secretary
4	calculates the formula for distribution.
5	"(III) One third of the amount
6	shall be distributed ratably among the
7	participating States, to each partici-
8	pating State that, by State law, has—
9	"(aa) established energy ef-
10	ficiency as the first priority in
11	utility energy planning; and
12	"(bb) developed energy effi-
13	ciency resource standards, or a
14	renewable portfolio standard (or
15	equivalent) that includes energy
16	efficiency as an eligible resource
17	to meet the guidelines under sec-
18	tion 362.".
19	(b) Use of Funds.—Section 363 of the Energy Pol-
20	icy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6323) is amended
21	by adding at the end the following:
22	"(g) Use of Funds.—
23	"(1) IN GENERAL.—For each fiscal year, each
24	participating State that receives an amount of funds

1	under this section shall use not less than $\frac{1}{3}$ of the
2	amount to provide grants and loans—
3	"(A) for renewable energy development;
4	"(B) to energy technology companies; or
5	"(C) to promote energy efficiency.
6	"(2) State cost-sharing.—
7	"(A) In general.—Subject to subpara-
8	graph (B), each participating State that re-
9	ceives an amount of funds under this section
10	shall pay 20 percent of the costs of each activ-
11	ity carried out under the grant.
12	"(B) Deferral.—The State cost-share
13	described in subparagraph (A) may be deferred
14	for not more than 5 years, at the discretion of
15	the Secretary.
16	"(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
17	is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this part
18	\$1,500,000,000 for each of fiscal years $2011$ through
19	2016.".
20	SEC. 102. ARPA-E AMENDMENTS.
21	Section $5012$ of the America COMPETES Act $(42)$
22	U.S.C. 16538) is amended—
23	(1) in subsection $(e)(2)$ —
24	(A) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
25	"and applied" after "advances in fundamental":

1	(B) by striking "and" at the end of sub-
2	paragraph (B);
3	(C) by striking the period at the end of
4	subparagraph (C) and inserting "; and; and
5	(D) by adding at the end the following:
6	"(D) promoting the commercial application
7	of advanced energy technologies.";
8	(2) in subsection (e)—
9	(A) in paragraph (3)—
10	(i) by striking subparagraph (C) and
11	inserting the following:
12	"(C) research and development of ad-
13	vanced manufacturing process and technologies
14	for the domestic manufacturing of novel energy
15	technologies; and"; and
16	(ii) by striking "and" at the end of
17	subparagraph (D);
18	(B) by striking the period at the end of
19	paragraph (4) and inserting "; and; and
20	(C) by adding at the end the following:
21	"(5) pursuant to subsection (c)(2)(C)—
22	"(A) ensuring that applications for funding
23	disclose the extent of current and prior efforts,
24	including monetary investments as appropriate,

1	in pursuit of the technology area for which
2	funding is being requested;
3	"(B) adopting measures to ensure that, in
4	making awards, program managers adhere to
5	the objectives described in subsection (c)(2)(C);
6	and
7	"(C) providing as part of the annual report
8	required by subsection (h)(1), a summary of the
9	instances of and reasons for ARPA–E funding
10	projects in technology areas already being un-
11	dertaken by industry.";
12	(3) by redesignating subsections (f) through
13	(m) as subsections (g), (h), (i), (j), (l), (m), (n), and
14	(o), respectively;
15	(4) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-
16	lowing new subsection:
17	"(f) Awards.—
18	"(1) In general.—In carrying out this sec-
19	tion, the Director may initiate and execute awards
20	in the form of grants, contracts, cooperative agree-
21	ments, cash prizes, and other transactions.
22	"(2) Considerations.—The Director shall
23	make awards under this section that are designed—

1	"(A) to overcome the long-term and high-
2	risk barriers to the goals and means described
3	in subsection (c); and
4	"(B) to facilitate submissions, where pos-
5	sible, by small businesses and entrepreneurs,
6	pursuant to announcements published not less
7	frequently than annually, of funding opportuni-
8	ties for—
9	"(i) specific areas of technological in-
10	novation; and
11	"(ii) broadly defined areas of science
12	and technology, to remain open for periods
13	of one year.";
14	(5) in subsection (g) (as redesignated by para-
15	graph (3))—
16	(A) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and
17	(2) as paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively;
18	(B) by inserting before paragraph (2) (re-
19	designated by subparagraph (A)) the following:
20	"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall establish
21	and maintain within ARPA-E a staff with sufficient
22	qualifications and expertise to enable ARPA-E to
23	carry out the responsibilities of ARPA-E under this
24	section, in conjunction with the operations of the
25	rest of the Department.";

1	(C) in paragraph (2) (as redesignated by
2	subparagraph (A))—
3	(i) in the paragraph heading, by strik-
4	ing "Program managers" and inserting
5	"Program directors";
6	(ii) in subparagraph (A)—
7	(I) by striking "program man-
8	agers" and inserting "program direc-
9	tors'; and
10	(II) by striking "each of";
11	(iii) in subparagraph (B)—
12	(I) by striking "program man-
13	ager" and inserting "program direc-
14	tor'';
15	(II) in clause (iv), by striking ",
16	with advice under subsection (j) as
17	appropriate,";
18	(III) by redesignating clauses (v)
19	and (vi) as clauses (vi) and (viii), re-
20	spectively;
21	(IV) by inserting after clause (iv)
22	the following:
23	"(v) identifying innovative cost-shar-
24	ing arrangements for ARPA-E projects,
25	including through use of the authority

1	under section 988(b)(3) of the Energy Pol-
2	iey Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16352(b)(3));";
3	(V) in clause (vi) (as redesig-
4	nated by subclause (III)), by striking
5	"; and" and inserting a semicolon;
6	and
7	(VI) by inserting after clause (vi)
8	(as redesignated by subclause (III)),
9	the following:
10	"(vii) identifying mechanisms for com-
11	mercial application of successful energy
12	technology development projects, including
13	through the establishment of partnerships
14	between awardees and commercial entities;
15	and";
16	(iv) in subparagraph (C), by inserting
17	"up to" after "shall be";
18	(D) in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (3)
19	(as redesignated by subparagraph (A)), by
20	striking "not less than 70, and not more than
21	120," and inserting "not more than 120"; and
22	(E) by adding at the end the following:
23	"(4) Fellowships.—
24	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director may se-
25	lect exceptional early-career and senior sci-

1	entific, legal, business, and technical personnel
2	to serve as fellows to work at ARPA-E for
3	terms not to exceed 2 years.
4	"(B) Responsibilities.—Responsibilities
5	of fellows may include—
6	"(i) supporting program directors in
7	program creation, design, implementation,
8	and management;
9	"(ii) exploring technical fields for fu-
10	ture ARPA-E program areas;
11	"(iii) assisting the Director in the cre-
12	ation of the strategic vision for ARPA-E
13	referred to in subsection $(h)(2)$ ;
14	"(iv) preparing energy technology and
15	economic analyses; and
16	"(v) any other appropriate responsibil-
17	ities identified by the Director.";
18	(6) in subsection (h)(2) (as redesignated by
19	paragraph (3))—
20	(A) by striking "2008" and inserting
21	"2010"; and
22	(B) by striking "2011" and inserting
23	"2015";
24	(7) by striking subsection (j) (as redesignated
25	by paragraph (3)), and inserting the following:

1	"(j) Federal Demonstration of Tech-
2	NOLOGIES.—The Director shall seek opportunities to part-
3	ner with purchasing and procurement programs of Federal
4	agencies to demonstrate energy technologies resulting
5	from activities funded through ARPA-E.";
6	(8) by inserting after subsection (j) the fol-
7	lowing:
8	"(k) Events.—
9	"(1) In General.—The Director may convene,
10	organize, and sponsor events that further the objec-
11	tives of ARPA-E, including events that assemble
12	awardees, the most promising applicants for ARPA-
13	E funding, and a broad range of ARPA-E stake-
14	holders (which may include members of relevant sci-
15	entific research and academic communities, govern-
16	ment officials, financial institutions, private inves-
17	tors, entrepreneurs, and other private entities), for
18	the purposes of—
19	"(A) demonstrating projects of ARPA-E
20	awardees;
21	"(B) demonstrating projects of finalists for
22	ARPA-E awards and other energy technology
23	projects;
24	"(C) facilitating discussion of the commer-
25	cial application of energy technologies developed

1	under ARPA–E and other government-spon-
2	sored research and development programs; or
3	"(D) any other purposes that the Director
4	determines to be appropriate.
5	"(2) Technology transfer.—Funding for
6	activities described in paragraph (1) shall be pro-
7	vided as part of the technology transfer and out-
8	reach activities under subsection (o)(4)(B).";
9	(9) in subsection (m) (as redesignated by para-
10	graph (3))—
11	(A) in paragraph (1), by striking "4
12	years" and inserting "5 years"; and
13	(B) in paragraph (2)(B), by inserting ",
14	and how those lessons may apply to the oper-
15	ation of other programs within the Department
16	of Energy" after "ARPA-E"; and
17	(10) in subsection (o), as so redesignated by
18	paragraph (3)—
19	(A) by striking paragraph (2) and insert-
20	ing the following:
21	"(2) Authorization of appropriations.—
22	Subject to paragraph (4), there is authorized to be
23	appropriated to the Director for deposit in the Fund
24	\$1,000,000,000 for each of fiscal years $2011$
25	through 2016."

1	(B) by striking paragraph (4);
2	(C) by redesignating paragraph (5) as
3	paragraph (4); and
4	(D) in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (4)
5	(as redesignated by subparagraph (C))—
6	(i) by striking "2.5 percent" and in-
7	serting "5 percent"; and
8	(ii) by inserting ", consistent with the
9	goal described in subsection $(e)(2)(D)$ and
10	within the responsibilities of program di-
11	rectors as specified in subsection
12	(g)(2)(B)(vii)" after "outreach activities".
13	TITLE II—PREPARING A CLEAN
14	ENERGY WORKFORCE
15	SEC. 201. DEFINITIONS.
16	In this title:
17	(1) In General.—The terms "institution of
18	higher education", "local area", "local board", "Sec-
19	retary", "State", and "State board" have the mean-
20	ings given to the terms in section 101 of the Work-
21	force Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2801).
22	(2) Career pathway.—The term "career
23	pathway" means a high-quality, rigorous, and rel-
24	evant set of education, training, and workplace
25	courses and experiences that—

1	(A) is aligned with the skill needs of an in-
2	dustry in a regional economy;
3	(B) includes the full range of secondary or
4	postsecondary education options, including reg-
5	istered apprenticeships;
6	(C) includes academic and career coun-
7	seling and supports the development of individ-
8	ualized career plans;
9	(D) includes integrated education and
10	training services, as appropriate;
11	(E) helps workers enter or advance within
12	a specific sector or occupational field;
13	(F) leads to the attainment of a degree or
14	industry-recognized credential; and
15	(G) has the goal of increasing the edu-
16	cational and skills attainment, and employment
17	outcomes, of individuals.
18	(3) IDENTIFIED INDUSTRY.—The term "identi-
19	fied industry" means an industry that supports low
20	carbon energy sources and that is identified in a
21	grant application submitted under this title.
22	SEC. 202. REGIONAL ENERGY ALLIANCE SKILLS GRANTS.
23	(a) Purpose.—The purpose of this section is to in-
24	crease the availability of highly skilled workers qualified
25	for careers, leading to economic self-sufficiency of the

1	United States, in low carbon energy industries, including
2	careers in the production, transmission, or distribution of
3	low carbon energy, by—
4	(1) developing industry-recognized skill stand-
5	ards in critical occupations;
6	(2) enhancing the awareness and use of indus-
7	try-recognized skill standards and credentials, exist-
8	ing as of the date of enactment of this Act; or
9	(3) developing career pathways on the basis of
10	industry-recognized skill standards and credentials.
11	(b) General Authority.—Using funds authorized
12	under section 205, the Secretary shall award regional en-
13	ergy alliance skills grants on a competitive basis to eligible
14	entities.
15	(c) Use of Funds.—
16	(1) In general.—An eligible entity that re-
17	ceives such a grant shall use the grant funds to pay
18	for the Federal share of the cost of supporting inno-
19	vative strategies to prepare workers for employment,
20	with the skills required by an identified industry
21	within States or multi-State areas.
22	(2) REQUIRED ACTIVITIES.—The eligible entity
23	shall use the grant funds to—
24	(A) refine workforce strategic plans for the
25	identified industry, including the identification

1	of occupations critical to the identified industry
2	and the skills and credentials necessary for
3	workers in those occupations;
4	(B) develop or refine industry-recognized
5	skill standards and credentials for occupations
6	critical to the industry, including occupations
7	on which the competitive success of the industry
8	depends;
9	(C) integrate such skill standards and cre-
10	dentials into curricula at secondary schools and
11	institutions of higher education to support in-
12	dustry-recognized credential programs;
13	(D) establish, adopt, or expand career
14	pathways for occupations supporting an identi-
15	fied industry, using the skill standards and cre-
16	dentials developed and refined under subpara-
17	graph (B); and
18	(E) establish workforce development pro-
19	grams and activities to meet the long-term
20	needs of the identified industry and complement
21	programs and services administered by State
22	boards and local boards.
23	(3) Allowable activities.—The eligible enti-
24	ty may use the funds to carry out 1 or more of the

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following:

- 1 (A) Implement career awareness activities, 2 focused on occupations critical to the identified 3 industry, in secondary schools and institutions 4 of higher education.
  - (B) Implement integrated education and training activities, such as paid or unpaid work experiences, on-the-job training opportunities, customized training programs, or transitional jobs programs.
  - (C) Partner with entities carrying out youth-serving programs (including entities operating Job Corps centers under subtitle C of title I of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.), preapprenticeship programs, and YouthBuild programs under section 173A of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2918a), where appropriate) and programs targeting populations of individuals underrepresented in the industry, such as veterans and women.
  - (D) Build awareness of relevant employers and labor organizations about the skill development opportunities available through the activities carried out under the grant.
  - (d) Eligible Entities.—

1	(1) In general.—To be eligible to receive a
2	grant under this section, an entity shall be an En-
3	ergy Alliance that meets the requirements of para-
4	graph (2) and submits an application in accordance
5	with subsection (e).
6	(2) Energy alliance.—For purposes of this
7	section, an Energy Alliance shall be composed of—
8	(A) at least 1 industry representative from
9	each low carbon energy industry addressed in
10	the application;
11	(B) 1 representative of the State board
12	from each of the States in the area to be served
13	under the grant;
14	(C) at least 1 representative of a local
15	board from each of the local areas in the area
16	to be served under the grant;
17	(D) at least 1 representative from relevant
18	institutions of higher education, providers of
19	registered apprenticeships, and other eligible

training providers offering to develop or refine

industry-recognized skills standards or industry-

recognized credentials, from each such State,

that offer education or training programs to ad-

dress the skill needs of the identified industry;

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1	(E) at least 1 representative from relevant
2	labor organizations from each such State;
3	(F) at least 1 representative of an eco-
4	nomic development organization; and
5	(G) at least 1 representative from a career
6	and technical education organization from each
7	such State.
8	(e) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
9	under this section, an entity shall submit an application
10	to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and meet-
11	ing such requirements as the Secretary may determine to
12	be appropriate. The application shall contain such infor-
13	mation as the Secretary may require, including informa-
14	tion to enable the Secretary to review the skill standards
15	and credentials to be, as appropriate, developed or used.
16	(f) Priority.—In making grants under this section,
17	the Secretary shall give priority to entities submitting ap-
18	plications for grant programs—
19	(1) that serve States that have State laws speci-
20	fying targets for reducing energy consumption by or
21	on a determined date or timeline;
22	(2) that serve States in which industry or sector
23	partnerships, industry associations, or the State gov-
24	ernments have developed a low carbon energy indus-
25	try-specific strategic plan for developing the low car-

- 1 bon energy assets for the State or multi-State area
- 2 involved for the purposes of reducing dependence on
- foreign oil and fossil fuels, and economic develop-
- 4 ment; and
- 5 (3) that focus on a low carbon energy industry
- 6 with established industry-recognized skill standards
- 7 and credentials that lead to industry-recognized cre-
- 8 dentials.

## 9 (g) Federal Share.—

- 10 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of the
- 11 cost referred to in subsection (c) shall be 50 percent.
- 12 (2) Non-federal share.—The eligible entity
- involved may provide the non-Federal share in cash
- or in kind, fairly evaluated, including plant, equip-
- ment, or services.
- 16 (h) Performance and Evaluation.—After select-
- 17 ing entities to become grant recipients and before pro-
- 18 viding the grant payments, the Secretary shall negotiate
- 19 performance measures, with expected levels of perform-
- 20 ance, with the entities. The Secretary shall use the per-
- 21 formance measures to evaluate the entities.
- 22 SEC. 203. REGIONAL INDUSTRY ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- GRANTS.
- 24 (a) In General.—Using funds authorized under
- 25 section 205, the Secretary shall award regional industry

- 1 energy efficiency grants on a competitive basis to eligible
- 2 entities under this section, for the purpose of educating
- 3 and training incumbent workers in the skills necessary to
- 4 increase energy efficiency in industries in existence on the
- 5 date of enactment of this Act (referred to in this section
- 6 as "existing industries").
- 7 (b) Use of Funds.—An eligible entity that receives
- 8 such a grant shall use the grant funds to pay for the Fed-
- 9 eral share of the cost to support—
- 10 (1) assisting industries in identifying new skills
- 11 necessary for occupations, existing as of the date of
- enactment of this Act, to support a more energy effi-
- cient approach to such industries; and
- 14 (2) providing training and education to incum-
- bent workers on the skills identified under para-
- graph (1) that are necessary to use equipment ref-
- erenced in subsection (e)(2), and implement policies,
- procedures, or protocols, required to reduce energy
- 19 consumption in existing industries.
- 20 (c) Eligible Entities.—
- 21 (1) In General.—To be eligible to receive a
- grant under this section, an entity shall be a covered
- entity that meets the requirements of paragraph (2)
- and that submits an application in accordance with
- subsection (d).

1	(2) COVERED ENTITIES.—For the purposes of
2	this section, covered entities shall be partnerships
3	that include—
4	(A) an industry group or association with
5	an energy consumption that is calculated by the
6	Environmental Protection Agency using section
7	763(b)(2)(A)(ii)(II)(aa) of the American Clean
8	Energy and Security Act of 2009 (H.R. 2454,
9	111th Congress, as placed on the calendar of
10	the Senate on July 7, 2009); and
11	(B) at least 1 representative of each of the
12	following:
13	(i) State boards.
14	(ii) Local boards.
15	(iii) Labor organizations.
16	(iv) Institutions of higher education,
17	providers of registered apprenticeships,
18	and other entities, eligible to provide train-
19	ing services under section 122 of the
20	Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29
21	U.S.C. 2842).
22	(v) Economic development organiza-
23	tions.
24	(d) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
25	under this section, an entity shall submit an application

- 1 to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and meet-
- 2 ing such requirements as the Secretary may determine to
- 3 be appropriate. The application shall contain such infor-
- 4 mation as the Secretary may require, including informa-
- 5 tion to enable the Secretary to review the skill standards
- 6 and credentials to be used.
- 7 (e) Priority.—In making grants under this section,
- 8 the Secretary shall give priority to entities submitting ap-
- 9 plications—
- 10 (1) for grant programs that serve States that
- 11 have State laws specifying targets for reducing en-
- ergy consumption by or on a determined date or
- timeline; and
- 14 (2) for grant programs that serve industries
- that have a demonstrated commitment to purchasing
- and installing the necessary equipment, and imple-
- menting the necessary work processes and protocols,
- to reduce energy consumption through the utilization
- of available tax credits or other means.
- 20 (f) Federal Share.—
- 21 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of the
- cost described in subsection (b) shall be a share ne-
- 23 gotiated between the eligible entity and the Sec-
- retary, and shall range from 25 percent to 75 per-
- cent based on each of the following factors:

1	(A) Whether the business receiving the
2	training and education is in an industry identi-
3	fied in part of the energy efficiency plans of the
4	State or local area.
5	(B) The number of employees employed by
6	the business.
7	(C) The number of individuals to be
8	trained or educated.
9	(D) The level of wages, benefits, and other
10	compensation available to employees in the oc-
11	cupations and career pathways involved.
12	(E) The demonstrated commitment of the
13	business to providing ongoing training and edu-
14	cation, performance improvement opportunities,
15	career advancement, and other benefits to its
16	employees.
17	(F) Other factors as determined appro-
18	priate by the Secretary.
19	(2) Non-federal share.—The eligible entity
20	may provide the non-Federal share in cash or in
21	kind, fairly evaluated, including plant, equipment, or
22	services.
23	(g) Performance and Evaluation.—After select-
24	ing entities to become grant recipients and before pro-

25 viding the grant payments, the Secretary shall negotiate

1	performance measures, with expected levels of perform-
2	ance, with the entities. The Secretary shall use the per-
3	formance measures to evaluate the entities
4	SEC. 204. CUSTOMIZED LOW CARBON ENERGY TRAINING
5	GRANTS.
6	(a) In General.—Using funds authorized under
7	section 205, the Secretary shall award low carbon energy
8	training grants on a competitive basis to eligible entities
9	to provide customized training services to businesses in
10	identified industries, or to businesses in industries that di-
11	rectly support or supply identified industries.
12	(b) Use of Funds.—
13	(1) In general.—An eligible entity that re-
14	ceives such a grant shall use the grant funds to pay
15	for the Federal share of the cost to support cus-
16	tomized training for incumbent workers, or job seek-
17	ers identified as having the basic skills likely re-
18	quired for success in an occupation and career with-
19	in the business and industry involved.
20	(2) Required activities.—The eligible entity
21	shall use the grant funds to—
22	(A) assist employers in a low carbon indus-
23	try that are partners in the eligible entity to ad-
24	dress documented skill shortages for which such
25	employers have been unable to find workers

- with the necessary skills through traditional and readily available sources; and
  - (B) address technical skill needs, as well as general educational requirements for targeted occupations, in a manner that leads to the attainment, by participating workers, of an industry-recognized credential that has value in the labor market beyond a sponsoring employer and that is portable throughout the industry.
  - (3) Allowable activities.—The eligible entity may use the funds to carry out 1 or more of the following:
    - (A) Assist an employer in developing training plans, improving supervision, increasing advancement of low-skill workers, and strengthening linkages with entities providing workforce investment activities under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.), adult education programs, and education and training programs of institutions of higher education.
    - (B) Partner with entities carrying out youth-serving programs (including entities operating Job Corps centers under subtitle C of title I of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29)

1	U.S.C. 2801 et seq.), preapprenticeship pro-
2	grams, and YouthBuild programs under section
3	173A of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998
4	(29 U.S.C. 2918a), where appropriate) and pro-
5	grams targeting populations of individuals
6	underrepresented in the industry, such as vet-
7	erans and women.
8	(4) Prohibition.—An eligible entity in a State
9	shall not use the grant funds to attract businesses
10	from other States, or to prevent businesses from
11	moving to other States.
12	(c) Eligible Entities.—
13	(1) In general.—To be eligible to receive a
14	grant under this section, an entity shall be a covered
15	entity that meets the requirements of paragraph (2)
16	and submits an application in accordance with sub-
17	section (d).
18	(2) COVERED ENTITIES.—For the purposes of
19	this section, covered entities shall be partnerships
20	that include at least 1 of the following:
21	(A) State boards.
22	(B) Local boards.
23	(C) A consortium of State boards or local
24	boards, and an employer in an identified indus-

try, or in an industry that directly supports or

1	supplies an identified industry, that dem-
2	onstrates a need for customized training.
3	(D) A consortium of State boards or local
4	boards, and a group of employers in an identi-
5	fied industry, or in an industry that directly
6	supports or supplies an identified industry, that
7	demonstrates a need for customized training.
8	(d) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
9	under this section, an entity shall submit an application
10	to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and meet-
11	ing such requirements as the Secretary may determine to
12	be appropriate. The application shall contain such infor-
13	mation as the Secretary may require, including informa-
14	tion to enable the Secretary to review the skill standards
15	and credentials to be, as appropriate, developed or used.
16	(e) Federal Share.—
17	(1) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of the
18	cost of training described in subsection $(b)(1)$ shall
19	be a share negotiated between the eligible entity and
20	the Secretary, and shall range from 25 percent to 75
21	percent based on each of the following factors:
22	(A) If the business receiving the training is
23	in an industry identified in part of the energy
24	efficiency plans of the State or local area.

1	(B) The number of employees employed by
2	the business.
3	(C) The number of individuals to be
4	trained.
5	(D) The level of wages, benefits, and other
6	compensation available to the employees in the
7	occupations involved.
8	(E) The demonstrated commitment of the
9	business to providing ongoing training, per-
10	formance improvement opportunities, career ad-
11	vancement, and other benefits to its employees.
12	(F) Other factors as determined appro-
13	priate by the State board or local board in-
14	volved.
15	(2) Non-federal share.—The eligible entity
16	may provide the non-Federal share in cash or in
17	kind, fairly evaluated, including plant, equipment, or
18	services.
19	(f) Performance and Evaluation.—
20	(1) Performance measures.—After selecting
21	entities to become grant recipients and before pro-
22	viding the grant payments, the Secretary shall—
23	(A) negotiate performance measures, with
24	expected levels of performance, with the enti-
25	ties; and

1	(B) require the attainment of industry-rec-
2	ognized credentials, as identified in the applica-
3	tion submitted under subsection (d), to be in-
4	cluded as a performance measure.
5	(2) EVALUATION.—The Secretary shall use the
6	performance measures to evaluate the entities.
7	SEC. 205. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
8	There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out
9	this title \$2,000,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2011
10	through 2016.
11	TITLE III—MISCELLANEOUS
12	SEC. 301. CLARIFICATION OF APPLICATION OF GRANTS
13	FOR SPECIFIED ENERGY PROPERTY TO CER-
14	TAIN REGULATED COMPANIES.
15	(a) In General.—The first sentence of section
16	1603(f) of division B of the American Recovery and Rein-
17	vestment Act of 2009 is amended by inserting "(other
18	than subsection (d)(2) thereof)" after "section 50 of the
19	Internal Revenue Code of 1986".
20	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
21	this section shall take effect as if included in section 1603
22	of division B of the American Recovery and Reinvestment

#### 1 SEC. 302. APPLICABILITY OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

- 2 Section 401 of the American Recovery and Reinvest-
- 3 ment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5; 123 Stat. 140) is
- 4 amended—
- 5 (1) by striking "For the purposes of" and in-
- 6 serting the following:
- 7 "(a) IN GENERAL.—For the purposes of"; and
- 8 (2) by adding at the end the following:
- 9 "(b) APPLICABILITY.—As of October 1, 2010, each
- 10 provision of this Act that is otherwise applicable to the
- 11 use of the authority made available under the Federal Co-
- 12 lumbia River Transmission System Act (16 U.S.C. 838
- 13 et seq.) shall not apply to any activity carried out under
- 14 this section.".

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