

eral Government and by the State or local body of government: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Federal share of the cost shall not exceed the direct identifiable benefits which the Secretary determines will accrue to the public, and shall not in any event exceed 75 per centum of such cost; *Provided further*, That the share of the State or local body of government shall not consist of funds granted under any other Federal program, and (E) such other terms and conditions as the Secretary deems desirable.

(b) The Secretary, in his discretion, may require as a part of any agreement under this section that adequate provision be made for access to and use by the public of lands reclaimed under the provisions of this title.

(c) Each agreement entered into under this section shall contain a reasonable assurance by the State or local body of government that the reclaimed lands which are devoted to public use will be adequately maintained.

SEC. 203. Whenever the Secretary, after reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing, determines that there is a failure to expend funds in accordance with the terms and conditions governing the agreement for approved projects, he shall notify the State that further payments will not be made to the State from appropriations under this Act until he is satisfied that there will no longer be any such failure. Until he is so satisfied the Secretary shall withhold any such payment to such State.

SEC. 204. The programs authorized to be assisted pursuant to this title shall be completed not later than January 1, 1988.

TITLE III—GRANTS TO STATES AND LOCAL AGENCIES AND OTHERS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO PROGRAMS OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY ASSISTANCE

SEC. 301. It is the purpose of this title to facilitate the reclamation and conservation of lands and waters adversely affected by coal mining operations by granting the Secretary authority to make grants to States, local governments, and others to be utilized in research projects, and the rendering of technical advisory assistance to mining operators.

SEC. 302. To carry out the purpose of this title, the Secretary is authorized—

(a) to make grants to States or local agencies, and other public or non-profit agencies and institutions (including State or private universities), for investigations, experiments, demonstrations, studies, and research projects with respect to the development of improved coal mining techniques and reclamation and conservation practices; and

(b) to make grants to States for the costs of administering programs to provide technical assistance to coal mine operators to assist them to comply with the requirements of State laws and regulations relating to the pre-planning of mining operations and reclamation procedures.

SEC. 303. (a) Any State or local agency, or institution, desiring financial assistance under this title shall submit a proposal to the Secretary in such form and manner as he shall prescribe, and payments may be made only for those projects or programs approved by him.

(b) The Secretary may make payments from time to time in keeping with the rate of progress toward satisfactory completion of individual projects or the implementation of approved programs.

(c) No project or program to be assisted under the provisions of this title may be approved unless the State in which the project or program is to be undertaken has adopted State laws which meet the standards for the mining, reclamation, conservation, protection, and management of coal mined lands established by the Secretary pursuant to sections 101 and 102 of this Act, except in those instances where the Secretary determines that no surface or strip mining of coal occurs within the State which produces a significant detrimental effect upon the local environment.

SEC. 304. Sums appropriated or otherwise available for State projects and programs under this title shall be apportioned among the eligible States by the Secretary, whose determination shall be final. In determining the apportionment among such States the Secretary shall consider, among other things, the financial and administrative resources available to the State to undertake projects of the type authorized by this title, and the nature and extent of problems and adverse conditions brought about by coal mining operations in the individual States most in need of solution within the individual States.

SEC. 305. The programs authorized to be assisted by this title shall be completed not later than January 1, 1988.