

# 111TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 4271

To reform and strengthen the workforce investment system of the Nation to put Americans back to work and make the United States more competitive in the 21st Century.

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 10, 2009

Mr. Guthrie (for himself, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Souder, Mr. Wilson of South Carolina, Mr. Hunter, and Mr. Roe of Tennessee) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

# A BILL

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- 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.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Workforce Investment
- 5 Improvement Act of 2009".
- 6 SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 7 The table of contents for this Act is as follows:
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- Sec. 111. Youth Activities.
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- Sec. 124. National dislocated worker grants.
- Sec. 125. Authorization of appropriations for national activities.
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- Sec. 129. State legislative authority.
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- Sec. 407. Standards and indicators.
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- Sec. 411. Chairperson.
- Sec. 412. Authorizations of appropriations.
- Sec. 413. Conforming amendment.
- Sec. 414. Helen Keller National Center Act.

#### TITLE V—TRANSITION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

- Sec. 501. Transition provisions.
- Sec. 502. Effective date.

#### 1 SEC. 3. REFERENCES.

- 2 Except as otherwise expressly provided, wherever in
- 3 this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms
- 4 of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provi-
- 5 sion, the amendment or repeal shall be considered to be
- 6 made to a section or other provision of the Workforce In-
- 7 vestment Act of 1998 (20 U.S.C. 9201 et seq.).

### 8 TITLE I—AMENDMENTS TO

### 9 TITLE I OF THE WORKFORCE

### 10 INVESTMENT ACT OF 1998

- 11 SEC. 101. DEFINITIONS.
- 12 Section 101 (29 U.S.C. 2801) is amended—
- (1) by striking paragraphs (13) and (24) and
- redesignating paragraphs (1) through (12) as para-
- graphs (3) through (14), and paragraphs (14)
- through (23) as paragraphs (15) through (24), re-
- 17 spectively;
- 18 (2) by inserting after "In this title:" the fol-
- lowing new paragraphs:
- 20 "(1) Accrued expenditures.—The term 'ac-
- 21 crued expenditures' means charges incurred by re-

cipients of funds under this title for a given period requiring the provision of funds for goods or other tangible property received; services performed by employees, contractors, subgrantees, subcontractors, and other payees; and other amounts becoming owed under programs assisted under this title for which no current services or performance is required, such as annuities, insurance claims, and other benefit payments.

- "(2) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—The term 'administrative costs' means expenditures incurred by State and local workforce investment boards, direct recipients (including State grant recipients under subtitle B and recipients of awards under subtitle D), local grant recipients, local fiscal agents or local grant subrecipients, and one-stop operators in the performance of administrative functions and in carrying out activities under this title which are not related to the direct provision of workforce investment services (including services to participants and employers). Such costs include both personnel and non-personnel and both direct and indirect.";
- (3) by amending paragraph (5) (as so redesignated) to read as follows:

| 1  | "(5) Area career and technical edu-                   |
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| 2  | CATION SCHOOL.—The term 'area career and tech-        |
| 3  | nical education school' has the meaning given the     |
| 4  | term in section 3(3) of the Carl D. Perkins Career    |
| 5  | and Technical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C.        |
| 6  | 2302(3)).''.  |
| 7  | (4) in paragraph (6) (as so redesignated), by         |
| 8  | inserting "(or such other level as the Governor may   |
| 9  | establish)" after "8th grade level";                  |
| 10 | (5) in paragraph (10)(C) (as so redesignated),        |
| 11 | by striking "not less than 50 percent of the cost of  |
| 12 | the training" and inserting "a significant portion of |
| 13 | the cost of training, as determined by the local      |
| 14 | board (or, in the case of an employer in multiple     |
| 15 | local areas in the State, as determined by the Gov-   |
| 16 | ernor), taking into account the size of the employer  |
| 17 | and such other factors as the local board determines  |
| 18 | to be appropriate";                                   |
| 19 | (6) in paragraph (11) (as so redesignated)—           |
| 20 | (A) in subparagraph (A)(ii)(II), by striking          |
| 21 | "section 134(c)" and inserting "section               |
| 22 | 121(e)";  |
| 23 | (B) in subparagraph (B)(iii), by striking             |
| 24 | "intensive services described in section              |

| 1  | 134(d)(3)" and inserting "work ready services   |
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| 2  | described in section 134(c)(2)";                |
| 3  | (C) in subparagraph (C), by striking "or"       |
| 4  | after the semicolon;                            |
| 5  | (D) in subparagraph (D), by striking the        |
| 6  | period and inserting "; or"; and                |
| 7  | (E) by adding at the end the following:         |
| 8  | "(E)(i) is the spouse of a member of the        |
| 9  | Armed Forces on active duty for a period of     |
| 10 | more than 30 days (as defined in section        |
| 11 | 101(d)(2) of title 10, United States Code) who  |
| 12 | has experienced a loss of employment as a di-   |
| 13 | rect result of relocation to accommodate a per- |
| 14 | manent change in duty station of such member;   |
| 15 | or  |
| 16 | "(ii) is the spouse of a member of the          |
| 17 | Armed Forces on active duty who meets the cri-  |
| 18 | teria described in paragraph (12)(B).";         |
| 19 | (7) in paragraph (12)(A) (as redesignated)—     |
| 20 | (A) by striking "and" after the semicolon       |
| 21 | and inserting "or";                             |
| 22 | (B) by striking "(A)" and inserting             |
| 23 | "(A)(i)"; and                                   |
| 24 | (C) by adding at the end the following:         |

| 1  | "(ii) is the dependent spouse of a member           |
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| 2  | of the Armed Forces on active duty for a period     |
| 3  | of more than 30 days (as defined in section         |
| 4  | 101(d)(2) of title 10, United States Code)          |
| 5  | whose family income is significantly reduced be-    |
| 6  | cause of a deployment (as defined in section        |
| 7  | 991(b) of title 10, United States Code, or pur-     |
| 8  | suant to paragraph (4) of such section), a call     |
| 9  | or order to active duty pursuant to a provision     |
| 10 | of law referred to in section 101(a)(13)(B) of      |
| 11 | title 10, United States Code, a permanent           |
| 12 | change of station, or the service-connected (as     |
| 13 | defined in section 101(16) of title 38, United      |
| 14 | States Code) death or disability of the member:     |
| 15 | and";   |
| 16 | (8) in paragraph (13) (as so redesignated), by      |
| 17 | inserting "or regional" after "local" each place it |
| 18 | appears;  |
| 19 | (9) in paragraph (14) (as so redesignated)—         |
| 20 | (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking "sec-          |
| 21 | tion 122(e)(3)" and inserting "section 122";        |
| 22 | and   |
| 23 | (B) by striking subparagraph (B), and in-           |
| 24 | serting the following:                              |

| 1  | "(B) work ready services, means a provider           |
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| 2  | who is identified or awarded a contract as de-       |
| 3  | scribed in section 134(c)(2);";                      |
| 4  | (10) in paragraph (25)—                              |
| 5  | (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking                 |
| 6  | "higher of—" and all that follows through            |
| 7  | clause (ii) and inserting "poverty line for an       |
| 8  | equivalent period;"; and                             |
| 9  | (B) by redesignating subparagraphs (D)               |
| 10 | through (F) as subparagraphs (E) through (G),        |
| 11 | respectively, and inserting after subparagraph       |
| 12 | (C) the following:                                   |
| 13 | "(D) receives or is eligible to receive free         |
| 14 | or reduced price lunch under the Richard B.          |
| 15 | Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C.         |
| 16 | 1751 et seq.);";                                     |
| 17 | (11) in paragraph (32) by striking "the Repub-       |
| 18 | lic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of |
| 19 | Micronesia,";  |
| 20 | (12) by striking paragraph (33) and redesig-         |
| 21 | nating paragraphs (34) through (53) as paragraphs    |
| 22 | (33) through (52), respectively;                     |
| 23 | (13) by amending paragraph (48) (as so redes-        |
| 24 | ignated) to read as follows:                         |

| 1  | "(48) Veteran.—The term 'veteran' has the                      |
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| 2  | same meaning given the term in section 2108(1) of              |
| 3  | title 5, United States Code."; and                             |
| 4  | (14) by amending paragraph (49) (as so redes-                  |
| 5  | ignated) to read as follows:                                   |
| 6  | "(49) Career and Technical Education.—                         |
| 7  | The term 'career and technical education' has the              |
| 8  | meaning given the term in section 3 of the Carl D.             |
| 9  | Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of                  |
| 10 | 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2302).".                                       |
| 11 | SEC. 102. PURPOSE.   |
| 12 | Section 106 (29 U.S.C. 2811) is amended by insert-             |
| 13 | ing at the end the following: "It is also the purpose of       |
| 14 | this subtitle to provide workforce investment activities in    |
| 15 | a manner that promotes the informed choice of partici-         |
| 16 | pants and actively involves participants in obtaining train-   |
| 17 | ing services that will increase their skills and improve their |
| 18 | employment outcomes.".   |
| 19 | SEC. 103. STATE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARDS.                   |
| 20 | (a) Membership.—   |
| 21 | (1) In general.—Section 111(b) (29 U.S.C.                      |
| 22 | 2821(b)) is amended—   |
| 23 | (A) by amending paragraph (1)(C) to read                       |
| 24 | as follows:  |

| 1  | "(C) representatives appointed by the Gov-   |
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| 2  | ernor, who are—                              |
| 3  | "(i)(I) the lead State agency officials      |
| 4  | with responsibility for the programs and     |
| 5  | activities that are described in section     |
| 6  | 121(b) and carried out by one-stop part-     |
| 7  | ners;  |
| 8  | "(II) in any case in which no lead           |
| 9  | State agency official has responsibility for |
| 10 | such a program or activity, a representa-    |
| 11 | tive in the State with expertise relating to |
| 12 | such program or activity; and                |
| 13 | "(III) if not included under subclause       |
| 14 | (I), the director of the State unit, defined |
| 15 | in section 7(8)(B) of the Rehabilitation     |
| 16 | Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 705(8)(B)) except     |
| 17 | that in a State that has established 2 or    |
| 18 | more designated State units to administer    |
| 19 | the vocational rehabilitation program, the   |
| 20 | board representative shall be the director   |
| 21 | of the designated State unit that serves the |
| 22 | most individuals with disabilities in the    |
| 23 | State;                                       |
| 24 | "(ii) the State agency officials respon-     |
| 25 | sible for economic development:              |

| 1  | "(iii) representatives of business in     |
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| 2  | the State who—                            |
| 3  | "(I) are owners of businesses,            |
| 4  | chief executive or operating officers of  |
| 5  | businesses, and other business execu-     |
| 6  | tives or employers with optimum pol-      |
| 7  | icy making or hiring authority, includ-   |
| 8  | ing members of local boards described     |
| 9  | in section $117(b)(2)(A)(i)$ ;            |
| 10 | "(II) represent businesses with           |
| 11 | employment opportunities that reflect     |
| 12 | employment opportunities in the           |
| 13 | State; and                                |
| 14 | "(III) are appointed from among           |
| 15 | individuals nominated by State busi-      |
| 16 | ness organizations and business trade     |
| 17 | associations;                             |
| 18 | "(iv) chief elected officials (rep-       |
| 19 | resenting both cities and counties, where |
| 20 | appropriate);                             |
| 21 | "(v) one or more representatives of       |
| 22 | labor organizations, who have been nomi-  |
| 23 | nated by State labor federations or labor |
| 24 | organizations within the State; and       |

| 1  | "(vi) such other representatives and                   |
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| 2  | State agency officials as the Governor may             |
| 3  | designate.";   |
| 4  | (B) in paragraph (3), by striking "para-               |
| 5  | graph (1)(C)(i)" and inserting "paragraph              |
| 6  | (1)(C)(iii)"; and                                      |
| 7  | (C) by adding at the end the following:                |
| 8  | "(4) QUORUM.—A majority of the members of              |
| 9  | the State Board who are representatives described in   |
| 10 | paragraph (1)(C)(iii) shall be present to constitute a |
| 11 | quorum. The Board may hold hearings without a          |
| 12 | quorum, but any recommendation of the Board may        |
| 13 | be passed only at a meeting for which there is a       |
| 14 | quorum present.".                                      |
| 15 | (2) Conforming amendment.—Section                      |
| 16 | 111(c) (29 U.S.C. 2811(c)) is amended by striking      |
| 17 | "subsection (b)(1)(C)(i)" and inserting "subsection    |
| 18 | (b)(1)(C)(iii)".                                       |
| 19 | (b) Functions.—Section 111(d) (29 U.S.C.               |
| 20 | 2811(d)) is amended—                                   |
| 21 | (1) in paragraph (2), by striking "section             |
| 22 | 134(c)" and inserting "section 121(e)";                |
| 23 | (2) by amending paragraph (3) to read as fol-          |
| 24 | lows:  |

| 1  | "(3) development and review of statewide poli-      |
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| 2  | cies affecting the integrated provision of services |
| 3  | through the one-stop delivery system described in   |
| 4  | section 121 within the State, including—            |
| 5  | "(A) the development of objective criteria          |
| 6  | and procedures for, and the issuance of, certifi-   |
| 7  | cations of one-stop centers;                        |
| 8  | "(B) the criteria for the allocation of one-        |
| 9  | stop center infrastructure funding under section    |
| 10 | 121(h) and oversight of the use of such funds;      |
| 11 | "(C) policies relating to the appropriate           |
| 12 | roles and contributions of one-stop partner pro-    |
| 13 | grams within the one-stop delivery system, in-      |
| 14 | cluding approaches to facilitating equitable and    |
| 15 | efficient cost allocation in the one-stop delivery  |
| 16 | system, consistent with section 121;                |
| 17 | "(D) strategies for providing effective out-        |
| 18 | reach to individuals and employers who could        |
| 19 | benefit from services provided through the one-     |
| 20 | stop delivery system;                               |
| 21 | "(E) strategies for technology improve-             |
| 22 | ments to facilitate access to services provided     |
| 23 | through the one-stop delivery system in remote      |
| 24 | areas and for individuals with disabilities, which  |
| 25 | may be utilized throughout the State;               |

| 1  | "(F) identification and dissemination of in-             |
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| 2  | formation on best practices for effective oper-          |
| 3  | ation of one-stop centers, including use of inno-        |
| 4  | vative business outreach, partnerships, and              |
| 5  | service delivery strategies, including for hard-to-      |
| 6  | serve populations; and                                   |
| 7  | "(G) carrying out of such other matters as               |
| 8  | may promote statewide objectives for, and en-            |
| 9  | hance the performance of, the one-stop delivery          |
| 10 | system;";  |
| 11 | (3) in paragraph (5), by striking "128(b)(3)(B)          |
| 12 | and $133(b)(3)(B)$ " and inserting "sections $128(b)(3)$ |
| 13 | and 133(b)(3)";  |
| 14 | (4) in paragraph (8)—                                    |
| 15 | (A) by striking "employment statistics sys-              |
| 16 | tem" and inserting "workforce and labor mar-             |
| 17 | ket information system"; and                             |
| 18 | (B) by striking "and" after the semicolon;               |
| 19 | (5) in paragraph (9)—                                    |
| 20 | (A) by striking "section 503" and insert-                |
| 21 | ing "section 136(i)"; and                                |
| 22 | (B) by striking the period and inserting ";              |
| 23 | and"; and  |
| 24 | (6) by inserting the following new paragraph             |
| 25 | after paragraph (9):                                     |

1 "(10) reviewing and providing comment on the 2 State plans of all one-stop partner programs, where 3 applicable, in order to provide effective strategic 4 leadership in the development of a high-quality, com-5 prehensive statewide workforce investment system.". 6 (c) ALTERNATIVE ENTITY.—Section 111(e) (29 7 U.S.C. 2821(e)) is amended— 8 (1) in paragraph (1)— 9 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking "For" and inserting "Subject 10 11 to paragraph (3), for"; and (B) in subparagraph (C), by inserting "one 12 13 or more" after "State and"; and 14 (2) by adding at the end the following: 15 "(3) Failure to meet performance meas-16 URES.—If a State fails to have performed success-17 fully, as defined in section 116(a)(2), the Secretary 18 may require the State to establish a State board in 19 accordance with subsections (a), (b), and (c) in lieu 20 of the alternative entity established under paragraph 21 (1).". 22 (d) Conflict of Interest.—Section 111(f)(1) (29 23 U.S.C. 2821(f)(1)) is amended by inserting "or participate in action taken" after "vote".

1 (e) Sunshine Provision.—Section 111(g) (29)U.S.C. 2821(g)) is amended— (1) by inserting ", and modifications to the 3 State plan," after "State plan"; and 4 (2) by inserting ", and modifications to the 5 6 State plan" after "the plan". (f) AUTHORITY TO HIRE STAFF.—Section 111 (29) 7 U.S.C. 2821) is further amended by inserting at the end the following: "(h) AUTHORITY TO HIRE STAFF.—The State Board 10 may hire staff to assist in carrying out the functions described in subsection (d).". 12 13 SEC. 104. STATE PLAN. 14 (a) Planning Cycle.—Section 112(a) (29 U.S.C. 2822(a)) is amended by striking "5-year strategy" and in-15 serting "2-year strategy". 17 (b) Contents.—Section 112(b) (29 U.S.C. 2822(b)) is amended— 18 (1) by amending paragraph (7) to read as fol-19 20 lows: "(7) a description of the State criteria for de-21 22 termining the eligibility of training providers in ac-23 cordance with section 122, including how the State

will take into account the performance of providers

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| 1  | and whether the training programs relate to occupa- |
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| 2  | tions that are in demand;";                         |
| 3  | (2) in paragraph (8)—                               |
| 4  | (A) in subparagraph (A)—                            |
| 5  | (i) in clause (ix), by striking "and"               |
| 6  | after the semicolon; and                            |
| 7  | (ii) by adding the following new clause             |
| 8  | after clause (x):                                   |
| 9  | "(xi) programs authorized under title               |
| 10 | II of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.            |
| 11 | 401 et seq.) (related to Federal old-age,           |
| 12 | survivors, and disability insurance bene-           |
| 13 | fits), title XVI of such Act (42 U.S.C.             |
| 14 | 1381 et seq.) (relating to supplemental se-         |
| 15 | curity income), title XIX of such Act (42           |
| 16 | U.S.C. 1396 et seq.) (relating to Med-              |
| 17 | icaid), and title XX of such Act (42 U.S.C.         |
| 18 | 1397 et seq.) (relating to block grants to          |
| 19 | States for social services), programs au-           |
| 20 | thorized under title VII of the Rehabilita-         |
| 21 | tion Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 796 et seq.),           |
| 22 | and programs carried out by State agen-             |
| 23 | cies relating to mental retardation and de-         |
| 24 | velopmental disabilities; and"; and                 |

| 1  | (B) by amending subparagraph (B) to read             |
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| 2  | as follows:  |
| 3  | "(B) a description of common data collec-            |
| 4  | tion and reporting processes used for the pro-       |
| 5  | grams and activities described in subparagraph       |
| 6  | (A) that are one-stop partners, including assur-     |
| 7  | ances that such processes utilize quarterly wage     |
| 8  | records for performance measures relating to         |
| 9  | entry into employment, retention in employ-          |
| 10 | ment, and average earnings that are applicable       |
| 11 | to such programs or activities, or, if such          |
| 12 | records are not being used, an identification of     |
| 13 | the barriers to such use and a description of        |
| 14 | how the State will address such barriers within      |
| 15 | one year of the approval of the plan;";              |
| 16 | (3) in paragraph (11), by inserting ", including     |
| 17 | controls and procedures to ensure that the limita-   |
| 18 | tions on the costs of administration are not exceed- |
| 19 | ed'';  |
| 20 | (4) in paragraph (12)(A)—                            |
| 21 | (A) by striking "sections 128(b)(3)(B) and           |
| 22 | 133(b)(3)(B)" and inserting "sections                |
| 23 | 128(b)(3) and 133(b)(3)"; and                        |
| 24 | (B) by inserting "and" at the end of clause          |
| 25 | (ii);  |

| 1  | (5) in paragraph (12)(B), by striking "and" at |
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| 2  | the end;                                       |
| 3  | (6) by striking paragraph (12)(C);             |
| 4  | (7) in paragraph (14), by striking "section    |
| 5  | 134(c)" and inserting "section 121(e)";        |
| 6  | (8) in paragraph (17)(A)—                      |
| 7  | (A) in clause (iii) by striking "and";         |
| 8  | (B) by amending clause (iv) to read as fol-    |
| 9  | lows:  |
| 10 | "(iv) how the State will serve the em-         |
| 11 | ployment and training needs of dislocated      |
| 12 | workers (including displaced homemakers),      |
| 13 | low income individuals (including recipients   |
| 14 | of public assistance), individuals with lim-   |
| 15 | ited English proficiency, homeless individ-    |
| 16 | uals, individuals training for nontraditional  |
| 17 | employment, and other individuals with         |
| 18 | multiple barriers to employment (including     |
| 19 | older individuals); and"; and                  |
| 20 | (C) by inserting after clause (iv) the fol-    |
| 21 | lowing:  |
| 22 | "(v) how the State will serve the em-          |
| 23 | ployment and training needs of individuals     |
| 24 | with disabilities, consistent with section     |
| 25 | 188 and Evecutive Order 13217 (42              |

| 1  | U.S.C. 12131 note; relating to community-              |
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| 2  | based alternatives for individuals with dis-           |
| 3  | abilities) including the provision of out-             |
| 4  | reach, intake, assessments, and service de-            |
| 5  | livery, the development of performance                 |
| 6  | measures established under section 136,                |
| 7  | the training of staff, and other aspects of            |
| 8  | accessibility to program services, consistent          |
| 9  | with sections 504 and 508 of the Rehabili-             |
| 10 | tation Act of 1973; and";                              |
| 11 | (9) in paragraph (17)(B), by striking "to the          |
| 12 | extent practicable" and inserting "in accordance       |
| 13 | with the requirements of the Jobs for Veterans Act     |
| 14 | (Public Law 107–288)";                                 |
| 15 | (10) in paragraph (18)(D), by striking "youth          |
| 16 | opportunity grants" and inserting "youth challenge     |
| 17 | grants"; and   |
| 18 | (11) by adding at the end the following new            |
| 19 | paragraphs:  |
| 20 | "(19) a description of the process and method-         |
| 21 | ology for determining one-stop partner program con-    |
| 22 | tributions for the cost of the infrastructure of one-  |
| 23 | stop centers under section 121(h)(1) and of the for-   |
| 24 | mula for allocating such infrastructure funds to local |

areas under section 121(h)(3);

"(20) a description of the strategies and programs providing outreach to businesses, identifying workforce needs of businesses in the State, and ensuring that such needs will be met (including the needs of small businesses), which may include—

"(A) implementing innovative programs and strategies designed to meet the needs of all businesses in the State, including small businesses, which may include incumbent worker training programs, sectoral and industry cluster strategies, regional skills alliances, career ladder programs, utilization of effective business intermediaries, and other business services and strategies that better engage employers in workforce investment activities and make the statewide workforce investment system more relevant to the needs of State and local businesses, consistent with the objectives of this title; and

"(B) providing incentives and technical assistance to assist local areas in more fully engaging all employers, including small employers, in local workforce investment activities, to make the workforce investment system more relevant to the needs of area businesses, and to better

coordinate workforce investment, economic development, and post-secondary education and training efforts to contribute to the economic well-being of the local area and region, as determined appropriate by the local board;

"(21) a description of how the State will utilize technology to facilitate access to services in remote areas, which may be utilized throughout the State;

"(22) a description of the State strategy and assistance to be provided for encouraging regional cooperation within the State and across State borders as appropriate; and

"(23) a description of the actions that will be taken by the State to foster communication and partnerships with non-profit organizations (including community, faith-based, and philanthropic organizations) that provide employment-related, training, and complementary services, in order to enhance the quality and comprehensiveness of services available to participants under this title.".

21 (c) Plan Submission and Approval.—Section 22 112(c) (29 U.S.C. 2822(c)) is amended by striking "pe-23 riod, that" and all that follows through paragraph (2) and 24 inserting "period, that the plan is inconsistent with the 25 provisions of this title".

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| 1  | (d) Modification to Plan.—Section 112(d) (29           |
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| 2  | U.S.C. 2822(d)) is amended by striking "5-year period" |
| 3  | and inserting "2-year period".                         |
| 4  | SEC. 105. LOCAL WORKFORCE INVESTMENT AREAS.            |
| 5  | (a) Designation of Areas.—                             |
| 6  | (1) Considerations.—Section 116(a)(1) (29              |
| 7  | U.S.C. 2831(a)(1)) is amended—                         |
| 8  | (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking                   |
| 9  | "paragraphs (2), (3), and (4)" and inserting           |
| 10 | "paragraphs (2) and (3)"; and                          |
| 11 | (B) in subparagraph (B), by adding at the              |
| 12 | end the following:                                     |
| 13 | "(vi) The extent to which such local                   |
| 14 | areas will promote maximum effectiveness               |
| 15 | in the administration and provision of serv-           |
| 16 | ices.".  |
| 17 | (2) Automatic designation.—Section                     |
| 18 | 116(a)(2) (29 U.S.C. $2831(a)(2)$ ) is amended to      |
| 19 | read as follows:                                       |
| 20 | "(2) Automatic designation.—                           |
| 21 | "(A) In General.—The Governor shall                    |
| 22 | approve a request for designation as a local           |
| 23 | area that is submitted prior to the submission         |
| 24 | of the State plan, or of a modification to the         |

| 1  | State plan relating to area designation, from  |
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| 2  | any area that—                                 |
| 3  | "(i) is a unit of general local govern-        |
| 4  | ment with a population of 500,000 or           |
| 5  | more, except that after the initial 2-year     |
| 6  | period following such designation pursuant     |
| 7  | to this clause that occurs after the date of   |
| 8  | enactment of the Workforce Investment          |
| 9  | Improvement Act of 2009, the Governor          |
| 10 | shall only be required to approve a request    |
| 11 | for designation from such area if such         |
| 12 | area—  |
| 13 | "(I) performed successfully; and               |
| 14 | "(II) sustained fiscal integrity;              |
| 15 | "(ii) was a local area under this title        |
| 16 | for the preceding 2-year period, if such       |
| 17 | local area—                                    |
| 18 | "(I) performed successfully; and               |
| 19 | "(II) sustained fiscal integrity;              |
| 20 | "(iii) is served by a rural concentrated       |
| 21 | employment program grant recipient, ex-        |
| 22 | cept that after the initial 2-year period fol- |
| 23 | lowing any such designation under the ini-     |
| 24 | tial State plan submitted after the date of    |
| 25 | enactment of the Workforce Investment          |

| 1  | Improvement Act of 2009, the Governor         |
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| 2  | shall only be required to approve a request   |
| 3  | for designation under this clause for such    |
| 4  | area if such area—                            |
| 5  | "(I) performed successfully; and              |
| 6  | "(II) sustained fiscal integrity; or          |
| 7  | "(iv) was a local area under section          |
| 8  | 116(a)(2)(C) (as in effect on the day be-     |
| 9  | fore the date of enactment of the Work-       |
| 10 | force Investment Improvement Act of           |
| 11 | 2009), except that after the initial 2-year   |
| 12 | period following such designation pursuant    |
| 13 | to this clause that occurs after that date of |
| 14 | enactment, the Governor shall only be re-     |
| 15 | quired to approve a request for designation   |
| 16 | under this clause for such area if such       |
| 17 | area—   |
| 18 | "(I) performed successfully; and              |
| 19 | "(II) sustained fiscal integrity.             |
| 20 | "(B) Definitions.—For purposes of this        |
| 21 | paragraph:                                    |
| 22 | "(i) Performed successfully.—                 |
| 23 | The term 'performed successfully', when       |
| 24 | used with respect to a local area, means      |
| 25 | the local area performed at 80 percent or     |

| 1  | more of the adjusted level of performance          |
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| 2  | for core indicators of performance de-             |
| 3  | scribed in section $136(b)(2)(A)$ for 2 con-       |
| 4  | secutive years.                                    |
| 5  | "(ii) Sustained fiscal integ-                      |
| 6  | RITY.—The term 'sustained fiscal integ-            |
| 7  | rity', used with respect to an area, means         |
| 8  | that the Secretary has not made a formal           |
| 9  | determination during the preceding 2-year          |
| 10 | period that either the grant recipient or          |
| 11 | the administrative entity of the area mis-         |
| 12 | expended funds provided under this title           |
| 13 | due to willful disregard of the requirements       |
| 14 | of the Act involved, gross negligence, or          |
| 15 | failure to comply with accepted standards          |
| 16 | of administration.".                               |
| 17 | (3) Conforming amendments.—Section                 |
| 18 | 116(a) (29 U.S.C. 2831(a)) is amended—             |
| 19 | (A) by striking paragraph (3); and                 |
| 20 | (B) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and            |
| 21 | (5) as paragraph (3) and (4), respectively.        |
| 22 | (b) Single Local Area States.—Section 116(b)       |
| 23 | (29 U.S.C. 2831(b)) is amended to read as follows: |
| 24 | "(b) SINGLE LOCAL AREA STATES.—                    |

- 1 "(1) Continuation of previous designa-2 TION.—Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Gov-3 ernor of any State that was a single local area for 4 purposes of this title as of December 1, 2009, may 5 continue to designate the State as a single local area 6 for purposes of this title if the Governor identifies 7 the State as a local area in the State plan under sec-8 tion 112(b)(5).
- 9 "(2) New Designation.—The Governor of a 10 State not described in paragraph (1) may designate 11 the State as a single local area if, prior to the sub-12 mission of the State plan or modification to such 13 plan so designating the State, no local area meeting the requirements for automatic designation under 14 15 subsection (a) requests such designation as a sepa-16 rate local area.
  - "(3) EFFECT ON LOCAL PLAN.—In any case in which the local area is the State pursuant to this subsection, the local plan under section 118 shall be submitted to the Secretary for approval as part of the State plan under section 112.".
- 22 (c) Regional Planning.—Section 116(c) (29
- 23 U.S.C. 2831(c)) is amended—
- 24 (1) in paragraph (1), by adding at the end the 25 following: "The State may require the local boards

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| 1  | for the designated region to prepare a single regional |
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| 2  | plan that incorporates the elements of the local plan  |
| 3  | under section 118 and that is submitted and ap-        |
| 4  | proved in lieu of separate local plans under such sec- |
| 5  | tion."; and  |
| 6  | (2) in paragraph (2), by striking "employment          |
| 7  | statistics" and inserting "workforce and labor mar-    |
| 8  | ket information".                                      |
| 9  | SEC. 106. LOCAL WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARDS.           |
| 10 | (a) Composition.—Section 117(b)(2) (29 U.S.C.          |
| 11 | 2832(b)(2)) is amended—                                |
| 12 | (1) in subparagraph (A)—                               |
| 13 | (A) in clause (i)(II), by inserting ", busi-           |
| 14 | nesses that are in the leading industries in the       |
| 15 | local area, and large and small businesses in          |
| 16 | the local area" after "local area";                    |
| 17 | (B) by amending clause (ii) to read as fol-            |
| 18 | lows:  |
| 19 | "(ii) a superintendent of the local sec-               |
| 20 | ondary school system, the president or                 |
| 21 | chief executive officer of a post-secondary            |
| 22 | educational institution (including commu-              |
| 23 | nity colleges, where such entities exist),             |
| 24 | and an administrator of local entities pro-            |

| 1  | viding adult education and literacy activi-       |
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| 2  | ties;";   |
| 3  | (C) in clause (iii)—                              |
| 4  | (i) by striking "representatives" and             |
| 5  | inserting "one or more representatives";          |
| 6  | and   |
| 7  | (ii) by inserting "or by labor organiza-          |
| 8  | tions in the local area" after "federations";     |
| 9  | (D) in clause (iv)—                               |
| 10 | (i) by striking "representatives" and             |
| 11 | inserting "one or more representatives";          |
| 12 | and   |
| 13 | (ii) by striking the semicolon and in-            |
| 14 | serting "and faith-based organizations;           |
| 15 | and";   |
| 16 | (E) in clause (v) by inserting "one or            |
| 17 | more" before "representatives"; and               |
| 18 | (F) by striking clause (vi);                      |
| 19 | (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period   |
| 20 | and inserting "; and"; and                        |
| 21 | (3) by adding at the end the following subpara-   |
| 22 | graph:  |
| 23 | "(C) except for the individuals described in      |
| 24 | subparagraph (A)(ii), shall not include any indi- |
| 25 | vidual who is employed by an entity receiving     |

| 1   | funds for the provision of services under chap-      |
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| 2   | ters 4 or 5.".                                       |
| 3   | (b) Authority of Board Members.—Section              |
| 4   | 117(b)(3) (29 U.S.C. 2832(b) is amended—             |
| 5   | (1) in the heading, by inserting "AND REP-           |
| 6   | RESENTATION" after "MEMBERS"; and                    |
| 7   | (2) by adding at the end the following:              |
| 8   | "(6) Quorum.—A majority of the members of            |
| 9   | the local board who are representatives described in |
| 10  | paragraph (1)(A)(i) shall be present to constitute a |
| 11  | quorum. The Board may hold hearings without a        |
| 12  | quorum, but any recommendation of the Board may      |
| 13  | be passed only at a meeting for which there is a     |
| 14  | quorum present.".                                    |
| 15  | (c) Functions.—Section 117(d) (29 U.S.C.             |
| 16  | 2832(d)) is amended—                                 |
| 17  | (1) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking "by award-      |
| 18  | ing grants" and all that follows through "youth      |
| 19  | council";  |
| 20  | (2) by striking paragraph (2)(D) and inserting       |
| 21  | the following:                                       |
| 22  | "(D) Identification of eligible pro-                 |
| 23  | VIDERS OF WORK READY SERVICES.—If the                |
| 24  | one-stop operator does not provide the work          |
| 2.5 | ready services described in section $134(c)(2)$ in   |

| 1  | the local area, the local board shall identify eli-  |
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| 2  | gible providers of such services in the local area   |
| 3  | by awarding contracts.";                             |
| 4  | (3) in paragraph (3)(B) by striking clause (ii)      |
| 5  | and inserting the following:                         |
| 6  | "(ii) Staff.—The local board may                     |
| 7  | employ staff to assist in carrying out the           |
| 8  | functions described in this subsection.";            |
| 9  | (4) in paragraph (4) by inserting ", and ensure      |
| 10 | the appropriate use and management of the funds      |
| 11 | provided under this title for such programs, activi- |
| 12 | ties, and system" after "area";                      |
| 13 | (5) in paragraph (6)—                                |
| 14 | (A) by striking "EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS               |
| 15 | SYSTEM" and inserting "WORKFORCE AND                 |
| 16 | LABOR MARKET INFORMATION SYSTEM"; and                |
| 17 | (B) by striking "employment statistics sys-          |
| 18 | tem" and inserting "workforce and labor mar-         |
| 19 | ket information system";                             |
| 20 | (6) by amending paragraph (8) to read as fol-        |
| 21 | lows:  |
| 22 | "(8) Convening, Brokering, and                       |
| 23 | LEVERAGING.—The local board shall support a com-     |
| 24 | prehensive workforce investment system for the local |
| 25 | area and promote the participation by private sector |

employers, service providers, and other stakeholders in such system. The Board shall ensure the effective provision, through the system, of convening, brokering, and leveraging activities, through intermediaries such as the one-stop operator in the local area or through other organizations, to assist such employers in meeting hiring needs. Such activities may include—

- "(A) convening private sector employers, including small employers, labor, economic development, and education leaders in the area to align system missions and services, and to identify and meet the employment, education, and skills training needs of the local area in support of regional and local economic growth strategies;
- "(B) providing leadership in the design and implementation of a comprehensive workforce development system that extends beyond those programs authorized under title I of this Act (including programs identified in section 121(b)) for the local area;
- "(C) brokering relationships and service arrangements across system stakeholders and partners; and

- 1 "(D) leveraging resources other than those
  2 provided under title I of this Act, including
  3 public and private resources, to significantly ex4 pand resources available for employment and
  5 training activities identified as necessary in the
  6 local area."; and
- 7 (7) by adding at the end the following:
- 8 "(9) Technology improvements.—The local 9 board shall develop strategies for technology im-10 provements to facilitate access to services, in remote 11 areas, for services authorized under this subtitle and 12 carried out in the local area.".
- 13 (d) Limitations.—Section 117(f) (29 U.S.C.
- 14 2832(f)) is amended by striking paragraph (2) and insert-
- 15 ing the following:
- "(2) Work ready services, designation, or CERTIFICATION AS ONE-STOP OPERATORS.—A local board may provide work ready services described in section 134(c)(2) through a one-stop delivery system described in section 121 or be designated or certified as a one-stop operator only with the agreement of
- the chief elected official and the Governor.".
- 23 (e) Conflict of Interest.—Section 117(g)(1) (29
- 24 U.S.C. 2832(g)(1)) is amended by inserting "or partici-
- 25 pate in action taken" after "vote".

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        (f) AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH COUNCILS AND
   ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENT FOR YOUTH COUN-
   CILS.—Section 117(h) (29 U.S.C. 2832(h)) is amended to
   read as follows:
        "(h) ESTABLISHMENT OF COUNCILS.—The local
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   board may establish councils to provide information and
   advice to assist the local board in carrying out activities
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   under this title. Such councils may include a council com-
   posed of one-stop partners to advise the local board on
   the operation of the one-stop delivery system, a youth
   council composed of experts and stakeholders in youth
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   programs to advise the local board on activities for youth,
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   and such other councils as the local board determines are
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   appropriate.".
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        (g) Alternative Entity Provision.—Section 117
    (29 U.S.C. 2832) is amended—
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             (1) in subsection (c)(1)(C), by striking "section
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        116(a)(2)(B)"
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        116(a)(2)(A)(iii)";
             (2) in subsection (f)(1)(A), by striking "section
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        134(d)(4)" and inserting "section 134(c)(4)";
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             (3) in subsection (i)(1)—
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                 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
             (A), by striking ", and paragraphs (1) and (2)
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             of subsection (h),";
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| 1  | (B) by striking subparagraph (B) and in-               |
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| 2  | serting the following:                                 |
| 3  | "(B) was in existence on August 7, 1998,               |
| 4  | pursuant to State law; and";                           |
| 5  | (C) by striking subparagraph (C);                      |
| 6  | (D) by redesignating subparagraph (D) as               |
| 7  | subparagraph (C); and                                  |
| 8  | (E) in subparagraph (C) (as redesignated),             |
| 9  | by inserting "one or more" before "representa-         |
| 10 | tives".  |
| 11 | SEC. 107. LOCAL PLAN.                                  |
| 12 | (a) Planning Cycle.—Section 118(a) (29 U.S.C.          |
| 13 | 2833(a)) is amended by striking "5-year" and inserting |
| 14 | "2-year".  |
| 15 | (b) Contents.—Section 118(b) (29 U.S.C. 2833(b))       |
| 16 | is amended—  |
| 17 | (1) by amending paragraph (2) to read as fol-          |
| 18 | lows:  |
| 19 | "(2) a description of the one-stop delivery sys-       |
| 20 | tem to be established or designated in the local area, |
| 21 | including a description of how the local board will    |
| 22 | ensure the continuous improvement of eligible pro-     |
| 23 | viders of services through the system and ensure       |
| 24 | that such providers meet the employment needs of       |
| 25 | local employers and participants;";                    |

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- (2) in paragraph (4), by inserting before the semicolon ", including a description of how the local area will implement the requirements of section 134(c)(4)(G) relating to ensuring that training services are linked to occupations that are in demand";
  - (3) in paragraph (5), by striking "statewide rapid response activities" and inserting "statewide activities";
  - (4) in paragraph (9), by striking "; and" and inserting a semicolon; and
  - (5) by redesignating paragraph (10) as paragraph (13) and inserting after paragraph (9) the following:

"(10) a description of the strategies and services that will be initiated in the local area to more fully engage all employers, including small employers, in workforce investment activities, to make the workforce investment system more relevant to the needs of area businesses, and to better coordinate workforce investment and economic development efforts, which may include the implementation of innovative initiatives such as incumbent worker training programs, sectoral and industry cluster strategies, regional skills alliance initiatives, career ladder proutilization of effective business grams, inter-

1 mediaries, and other business services and strategies 2 designed to meet the needs of area employers and 3 contribute to the economic well-being of the local 4 area, as determined appropriate by the local board, 5 consistent with the objectives of this title; 6 "(11) a description of how the local board will 7 facilitate access to services provided through the 8 one-stop delivery system involved in remote areas, 9 including facilitating access through the use of tech-10 nology, as appropriate; 11 "(12) how the local area will serve the employ-12 ment and training needs of individuals with disabil-13 ities, consistent with section 188 and Executive 14 Order 13217 (42 U.S.C. 12131 note) including the 15 provision of outreach, intake, assessments, and serv-16 ice delivery, the development of performance meas-17 ures, the training of staff, and other aspects of ac-18 cessibility to program services, consistent with sec-19 tions 504 and 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; 20 and". 21 SEC. 108. ESTABLISHMENT OF ONE-STOP DELIVERY SYS-22 TEMS. 23 (a) One-Stop Partners.— (1) REQUIRED PARTNERS.—Section 121(b)(1) 24

(29 U.S.C. 2841(b)(1)) is amended—

| 1  | (A) by striking subparagraph (A) and in-       |
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| 2  | serting the following:                         |
| 3  | "(A) ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF             |
| 4  | ONE-STOP PARTNERS.—Each entity that carries    |
| 5  | out a program or activities described in sub-  |
| 6  | paragraph (B) shall—                           |
| 7  | "(i) provide access through the one-           |
| 8  | stop delivery system to the programs and       |
| 9  | activities carried out by the entity, includ-  |
| 10 | ing making the work ready services de-         |
| 11 | scribed in section $134(c)(2)$ that are appli- |
| 12 | cable to the program of the entity available   |
| 13 | at the one-stop centers (in addition to any    |
| 14 | other appropriate locations);                  |
| 15 | "(ii) use a portion of the funds avail-        |
| 16 | able to the program of the entity to main-     |
| 17 | tain the one-stop delivery system, including   |
| 18 | payment of the infrastructure costs of one-    |
| 19 | stop centers in accordance with subsection     |
| 20 | (h);   |
| 21 | "(iii) enter into a local memorandum           |
| 22 | of understanding with the local board re-      |
| 23 | lating to the operation of the one-stop sys-   |
| 24 | tem that meets the requirements of sub-        |
| 25 | section (c);                                   |

| 1  | "(iv) participate in the operation of         |
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| 2  | the one-stop system consistent with the       |
| 3  | terms of the memorandum of under-             |
| 4  | standing, the requirements of this title,     |
| 5  | and the requirements of the Federal laws      |
| 6  | authorizing the programs carried out by       |
| 7  | the entity; and                               |
| 8  | "(v) provide representation on the            |
| 9  | State board to the extent provided under      |
| 10 | section 111.";                                |
| 11 | (B) in subparagraph (B)—                      |
| 12 | (i) by striking clauses (ii) and (v);         |
| 13 | (ii) by redesignating clauses (iii) and       |
| 14 | (iv) as clauses (ii) and (iii), respectively, |
| 15 | and by redesignating clauses (vi) through     |
| 16 | (xii) as clauses (iv) through (x), respec-    |
| 17 | tively;                                       |
| 18 | (iii) in clause (ix) (as so redesig-          |
| 19 | nated), by striking "and" at the end;         |
| 20 | (iv) in clause (x) (as so redesignated),      |
| 21 | by striking the period and inserting ";       |
| 22 | and"; and                                     |
| 23 | (v) by inserting after clause (x)(as so       |
| 24 | redesignated) the following:                  |

| 1  | "(xi) programs authorized under part             |
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| 2  | A of title IV of the Social Security Act (42     |
| 3  | U.S.C. 601 et seq.), subject to subpara-         |
| 4  | graph (C); and                                   |
| 5  | "(xii) programs authorized under sec-            |
| 6  | tion 6(d)(4) of the Food Stamp Act of            |
| 7  | 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2015(d)(4)), subject to           |
| 8  | subparagraph (C)."; and                          |
| 9  | (C) by adding after subparagraph (B) the         |
| 10 | following:                                       |
| 11 | "(C) DETERMINATION BY THE GOV-                   |
| 12 | ERNOR.—The program referred to in clauses        |
| 13 | (xi) and (xii) of subparagraph (B) shall be in-  |
| 14 | cluded as a required partner for purposes of     |
| 15 | this title in a State unless the Governor of the |
| 16 | State notifies the Secretary and the Secretary   |
| 17 | of Health and Human Services (in the case of     |
| 18 | the program referred to in clause (xi) of sub-   |
| 19 | paragraph (B)), or the Secretary and the Sec-    |
| 20 | retary of Agriculture (in the case of the pro-   |
| 21 | gram referred to in clause (xii) of subparagraph |
| 22 | (B)) in writing of a determination by the Gov-   |
| 23 | ernor not to include such programs as required   |
| 24 | partners for purposes of this title in the       |
| 25 | State.".   |

| 1  | (2) Additional partners.—Section 121(b)(2)   |
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| 2  | (29 U.S.C. 2841(b)(2)) is amended—           |
| 3  | (A) in subparagraph (A)(i), by striking      |
| 4  | "section 134(d)(2)" and inserting "section   |
| 5  | 134(e)(2)"; and                              |
| 6  | (B) by amending subparagraph (B) to read     |
| 7  | as follows:                                  |
| 8  | "(B) Programs.—The programs referred         |
| 9  | to in subparagraph (A) may include—          |
| 10 | "(i) employment and training pro-            |
| 11 | grams administered by the Social Security    |
| 12 | Administration, including the Ticket to      |
| 13 | Work program (established by Public Law      |
| 14 | 106–170);                                    |
| 15 | "(ii) employment and training pro-           |
| 16 | grams carried out by the Small Business      |
| 17 | Administration;                              |
| 18 | "(iii) programs under part D of title        |
| 19 | IV of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.     |
| 20 | 451 et seq.) (relating to child support en-  |
| 21 | forcement);                                  |
| 22 | "(iv) employment, training, and lit-         |
| 23 | eracy services carried out by public librar- |
| 24 | ies;   |

| 1  | "(v) programs carried out in the local                   |
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| 2  | area for individuals with disabilities, in-              |
| 3  | cluding programs carried out by State                    |
| 4  | agencies relating to mental health, mental               |
| 5  | retardation, and developmental disabilities,             |
| 6  | State Medicaid agencies, State Inde-                     |
| 7  | pendent Living Councils, and Independent                 |
| 8  | Living Centers;  |
| 9  | "(vi) programs authorized under the                      |
| 10 | National and Community Service Act of                    |
| 11 | 1990 (42 U.S.C. 1250 et seq.);                           |
| 12 | "(vii) cooperative extension programs                    |
| 13 | carried out by the Department of Agri-                   |
| 14 | culture; and   |
| 15 | "(viii) other appropriate Federal,                       |
| 16 | State, or local programs, including pro-                 |
| 17 | grams in the private sector.".                           |
| 18 | (b) Local Memorandum of Understanding.—                  |
| 19 | Section 121(c)(2)(A) (29 U.S.C. 2841(c)(2)(A)) is amend- |
| 20 | ed to read as follows:                                   |
| 21 | "(A) provisions describing—                              |
| 22 | "(i) the services to be provided                         |
| 23 | through the one-stop delivery system con-                |
| 24 | sistent with the requirements of this sec-               |
| 25 | tion including the manner in which the                   |

| 1  | services will be coordinated through such    |
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| 2  | system;                                      |
| 3  | "(ii) how the costs of such services         |
| 4  | and the operating costs of such system will  |
| 5  | be funded, through cash and in-kind con-     |
| 6  | tributions, to provide a stable and equi-    |
| 7  | table funding stream for ongoing one-stop    |
| 8  | system operations, including the funding of  |
| 9  | the infrastructure costs of one-stop centers |
| 10 | in accordance with subsection (h);           |
| 11 | "(iii) methods of referral of individ-       |
| 12 | uals between the one-stop operator and the   |
| 13 | one-stop partners for appropriate services   |
| 14 | and activities; and                          |
| 15 | "(iv) the duration of the memo-              |
| 16 | randum of understanding and the proce-       |
| 17 | dures for amending the memorandum dur-       |
| 18 | ing the term of the memorandum, and as-      |
| 19 | surances that such memorandum shall be       |
| 20 | reviewed not less than once every 2-year     |
| 21 | period to ensure appropriate funding and     |
| 22 | delivery of services; and".                  |
| 23 | (c) Provision of Services.—Section 121 (29   |
| 24 | U.S.C. 2841) is further amended—             |
| 25 | (1) in subsection (d)—                       |

| 1  | (A) in paragraph (2), by striking "section          |
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| 2  | 134(c)" and inserting "subsection (e)"; and         |
| 3  | (B) in paragraph (3), by striking "voca-            |
| 4  | tional" and inserting "career and technical";       |
| 5  | and   |
| 6  | (2) by amending subsection (e) to read as fol-      |
| 7  | lows:   |
| 8  | "(c) Establishment of One-Stop Delivery Sys-        |
| 9  | TEM.—   |
| 10 | "(1) IN GENERAL.—There shall be established         |
| 11 | in a State that receives an allotment under section |
| 12 | 132(b) a one-stop delivery system, which—           |
| 13 | "(A) shall provide the work ready services          |
| 14 | described in section $134(c)(2)$ ;                  |
| 15 | "(B) shall provide access to training serv-         |
| 16 | ices as described in section 134(e), including      |
| 17 | serving as the point of access to career en-        |
| 18 | hancement accounts for training services to         |
| 19 | participants in accordance with paragraph           |
| 20 | (4)(G) of such section;                             |
| 21 | "(C) shall provide access to the activities         |
| 22 | carried out under section 134(d), if any;           |
| 23 | "(D) shall provide access to programs and           |
| 24 | activities carried out by one-stop partners and     |
| 25 | described in subsection (b); and                    |

| 1  | "(E) shall provide access to the informa-         |
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| 2  | tion described in section 15(e) of the Wagner-    |
| 3  | Peyser Act (29 U.S.C. 49l–2(e)).                  |
| 4  | "(2) One-stop delivery.—At a minimum, the         |
| 5  | one-stop delivery system—                         |
| 6  | "(A) shall make each of the programs,             |
| 7  | services, and activities described in paragraph   |
| 8  | (1) accessible at not less than one physical cen- |
| 9  | ter in each local area of the State; and          |
| 10 | "(B) may also make programs, services,            |
| 11 | and activities described in paragraph (1) avail-  |
| 12 | able—   |
| 13 | "(i) through a network of affiliated              |
| 14 | sites that can provide one or more of the         |
| 15 | programs, services, and activities to indi-       |
| 16 | viduals; and (ii) through a network of eligi-     |
| 17 | ble one-stop partners—                            |
| 18 | "(I) in which each partner pro-                   |
| 19 | vides one or more of the programs,                |
| 20 | services, and activities to such individ-         |
| 21 | uals and is accessible at an affiliated           |
| 22 | site that consists of a physical loca-            |
| 23 | tion or an electronically or techno-              |
| 24 | logically linked access point; and                |

| 1  | "(II) that assures individuals                            |
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| 2  | that information on the availability of                   |
| 3  | the work ready services will be avail-                    |
| 4  | able regardless of where the individ-                     |
| 5  | uals initially enter the statewide work-                  |
| 6  | force investment system, including in-                    |
| 7  | formation made available through an                       |
| 8  | access point described in subclause                       |
| 9  | (I).  |
| 10 | "(3) Specialized centers.—The centers and                 |
| 11 | sites described in paragraph (2) may have a speciali-     |
| 12 | zation in addressing special needs, such as the needs     |
| 13 | of dislocated workers.".                                  |
| 14 | (d) CERTIFICATION AND FUNDING OF ONE-STOP                 |
| 15 | CENTERS.—Section 121 (as amended by subsections (b)       |
| 16 | and (c)) is further amended by adding at the end the fol- |
| 17 | lowing new subsections:                                   |
| 18 | "(g) Certification of One-Stop Centers.—                  |
| 19 | "(1) In general.—   |
| 20 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—The State board shall                    |
| 21 | establish objective procedures and criteria for           |
| 22 | periodically certifying one-stop centers for the          |
| 23 | purpose of awarding the one-stop infrastructure           |
| 24 | funding described in subsection (h).                      |

| 1  | "(B) Criteria.—The criteria for certifi-              |
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| 2  | cation under this subsection shall include—           |
| 3  | "(i) meeting all of the expected levels               |
| 4  | of performance for each of the core indica-           |
| 5  | tors of performance as outlined in the                |
| 6  | State plan, according to section 112;                 |
| 7  | "(ii) meeting minimum standards re-                   |
| 8  | lating to the scope and degree of service             |
| 9  | integration achieved by the centers involv-           |
| 10 | ing the programs provided by the one-stop             |
| 11 | partners; and   |
| 12 | "(iii) meeting minimum standards re-                  |
| 13 | lating to how the centers ensure that pro-            |
| 14 | viders meet the employment needs of local             |
| 15 | employers and participants.                           |
| 16 | "(C) Effect of Certification.—One-                    |
| 17 | stop centers certified under this subsection shall    |
| 18 | be eligible to receive the infrastructure grants      |
| 19 | authorized under subsection (h).                      |
| 20 | "(2) LOCAL BOARDS.—Consistent with the cri-           |
| 21 | teria developed by the State, the local board may de- |
| 22 | velop additional criteria of higher standards to re-  |
| 23 | spond to local labor market and demographic condi-    |
| 24 | tions and trends.                                     |
| 25 | "(h) One-Stop Infrastructure Funding.—                |

## "(1) Partner contributions.—

"(A) Provision of Funds.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, as determined under subparagraph (B), a portion of the Federal funds provided to the State and areas within the State under the Federal laws authorizing the one-stop partner programs described in subsection (b)(1)(B) and participating additional partner programs described in (b)(2)(B) for a fiscal year shall be provided to the Governor by such programs to carry out this subsection.

# "(B) Determination of Governor.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (C), the Governor, in consultation with the State board, shall determine the portion of funds to be provided under subparagraph (A) by each one-stop partner and in making such determination shall consider the proportionate use of the onestop centers by each partner, the costs of administration for purposes not related to one-stop centers for each partner, and other relevant factors described in paragraph (3). 1

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"(ii) Special rule.—In those States 2 where the State constitution places policy-3 making authority that is independent of 4 the authority of the Governor in an entity or official with respect to the funds provided for adult education and literacy ac-7 tivities authorized under title II of this Act and for post-secondary career education activities authorized under the Carl D. 10 Perkins Career and Technical Education Act, the determination described in clause 12 (i) with respect to such programs shall be made by the Governor with the appropriate 14 entity or official with such independent policy-making authority.

"(iii) Appeal by one-stop part-NERS.—The Governor shall establish a procedure for the one-stop partner administering a program described in subsection (b) to appeal a determination regarding the portion of funds to be contributed under this paragraph on the basis that such determination is inconsistent with the criteria described in the State plan or with the requirements of this paragraph. Such procedure shall ensure prompt resolution of the appeal.

# "(C) Limitations.—

"(i) Provision from administrative funds.—The funds provided under this paragraph by each one-stop partner shall be provided only from funds available for the costs of administration under the program administered by such partner, and shall be subject to the limitations with respect to the portion of funds under such programs that may be used for administration.

"(ii) Federal direct spending under section 250(c)(8) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 900(c)(8)) shall not, for purposes of this paragraph, be required to provide an amount in excess of the amount determined to be equivalent to the proportionate use of the one-stop centers by such programs in the State.

"(iii) 1 NATIVE **AMERICAN** PRO-2 GRAMS.—Native American programs estab-3 lished under section 166 shall not be sub-4 ject to the provisions of this subsection. The method for determining the appro-6 priate portion of funds to be provided by 7 such Native American programs to pay for 8 the costs of infrastructure of a one-stop 9 center certified under subsection (g) shall 10 be determined as part of the development 11 the memorandum of understanding 12 under subsection (c) for the one-stop cen-13 ter and shall be stated in the memo-14 randum.

"(2) Allocation by Governor.—From the funds provided under paragraph (1), the Governor shall allocate funds to local areas in accordance with the formula established under paragraph (3) for the purposes of assisting in paying the costs of the infrastructure of one-stop centers certified under subsection (g).

"(3) ALLOCATION FORMULA.—The State board shall develop a formula to be used by the Governor to allocate the funds described in paragraph (1). The formula shall include such factors as the State

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board determines are appropriate, which may include factors such as the number of centers in the local area that have been certified, the population served by such centers, and the performance of such centers.

"(4) Costs of infrastructure.—For purposes of this subsection, the term 'costs of infrastructure' means the nonpersonnel costs that are necessary for the general operation of a one-stop center, including the rental costs of the facilities, the costs of utilities and maintenance, and equipment (including adaptive technology for individuals with disabilities).

### "(i) Other Funds.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to the funds provided to carry out subsection (h), a portion of funds made available under Federal law authorizing the one-stop partner programs described in subsection (b)(1)(B) and participating partner programs described in subsection (b)(2)(B), or the noncash resources available under such programs shall be used to pay the costs relating to the operation of the one-stop delivery system that are not paid for from the funds provided under subsection

| 1  | (h), to the extent not inconsistent with the Federal |
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| 2  | law involved including—                              |
| 3  | "(A) infrastructure costs that are in excess         |
| 4  | of the funds provided under subsection (h);          |
| 5  | "(B) common costs that are in addition to            |
| 6  | the costs of infrastructure; and                     |
| 7  | "(C) the costs of the provision of work              |
| 8  | ready services applicable to each program.           |
| 9  | "(2) Determination and Guidance.—The                 |
| 10 | method for determining the appropriate portion of    |
| 11 | funds and noncash resources to be provided by each   |
| 12 | program under paragraph (1) shall be determined as   |
| 13 | part of the memorandum of understanding under        |
| 14 | subsection (c). The State board shall provide guid-  |
| 15 | ance to facilitate the determination of appropriate  |
| 16 | allocation of the funds and noncash resources in     |
| 17 | local areas.".                                       |
| 18 | SEC. 109. ELIGIBLE PROVIDERS OF TRAINING SERVICES.   |
| 19 | Section 122 (29 U.S.C. 2842) is amended to read as   |
| 20 | follows:   |
| 21 | "SEC. 122. IDENTIFICATION OF ELIGIBLE PROVIDERS OF   |
| 22 | TRAINING SERVICES.                                   |
| 23 | "(a) Eligibility.—                                   |
| 24 | "(1) In General.—The Governor, after con-            |
| 25 | sultation with the State board shall establish cri-  |

| 1  | teria and procedures regarding the eligibility of pro- |
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| 2  | viders of training services described in section       |
| 3  | 134(c)(4) to receive funds provided under section      |
| 4  | 133(b) for the provision of such training services.    |
| 5  | "(2) Providers.—Subject to the provisions of           |
| 6  | this section, to be eligible to receive the funds pro- |
| 7  | vided under section 133(b) for the provision of train- |
| 8  | ing services, the provider shall be—                   |
| 9  | "(A) a post-secondary educational institu-             |
| 10 | tion that—   |
| 11 | "(i) is eligible to receive Federal funds              |
| 12 | under title IV of the Higher Education Act             |
| 13 | of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070 et seq.); and                  |
| 14 | "(ii) provides a program that leads to                 |
| 15 | an associate degree, baccalaureate degree,             |
| 16 | or industry-recognized certification;                  |
| 17 | "(B) an entity that carries out programs               |
| 18 | under the Act of August 16, 1937 (commonly             |
| 19 | known as the 'National Apprenticeship Act'; 50         |
| 20 | Stat. 664, chapter 663; 29 U.S.C. 50 et seq.);         |
| 21 | or   |
| 22 | "(C) another public or private provider of             |
| 23 | a program of training services.                        |
| 24 | "(3) Inclusion in list of eligible pro-                |
| 25 | VIDERS —A provider described in subparagraph (A)       |

or (C) of paragraph (2) shall comply with the criteria and procedures established under this section to be included on the list of eligible providers of training services described in subsection (d)(1). A provider described in paragraph (2)(B) shall be included on the list of eligible providers of training services described in subsection (d)(1) for so long as the provider remains certified by the Department of Labor to carry out the programs described in paragraph (2)(B).

## "(b) Criteria.—

"(1) In General.—The criteria established pursuant to subsection (a) shall take into account—

"(A) the performance of providers of training services with respect to the performance measures described in section 136 and other matters for which information is required under paragraph (2) and other appropriate measures of performance outcomes for those participants receiving training services under this subtitle (taking into consideration the characteristics of the population served and relevant economic conditions);

| 1  | "(B) whether the training programs of            |
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| 2  | such providers relate to occupations that are in |
| 3  | demand;  |
| 4  | "(C) the need to ensure access to training       |
| 5  | services throughout the State, including any     |
| 6  | rural areas;                                     |
| 7  | "(D) the ability of providers to offer pro-      |
| 8  | grams that lead to a degree or an industry-rec-  |
| 9  | ognized certification, certificate, or mastery;  |
| 10 | "(E) the information such providers are          |
| 11 | required to report to State agencies with re-    |
| 12 | spect to other Federal and State programs        |
| 13 | (other than the program carried out under this   |
| 14 | subtitle), including one-stop partner programs;  |
| 15 | and  |
| 16 | "(F) such other factors as the Governor          |
| 17 | determines are appropriate to ensure the qual-   |
| 18 | ity of services provided, the accountability of  |
| 19 | providers, that the one-stop centers will ensure |
| 20 | that such providers meet the needs of local em-  |
| 21 | ployers and participants, and the informed       |
| 22 | choice of participants under chapter 5.          |
| 23 | "(2) Information.—The criteria established       |
| 24 | by the Governor shall require that a provider of |
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training services submit appropriate, accurate, and

| 1  | timely information to the State for purposes of car-   |
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| 2  | rying out subsection (d), with respect to participants |
| 3  | receiving training services under this subtitle in the |
| 4  | applicable program, including—                         |
| 5  | "(A) information on degrees and industry-              |
| 6  | recognized certifications received by such par-        |
| 7  | ticipants;   |
| 8  | "(B) information on costs of attendance                |
| 9  | for such participants;                                 |
| 10 | "(C) information on the program comple-                |
| 11 | tion rate for such participants; and                   |
| 12 | "(D) information on the performance of                 |
| 13 | the provider with respect to the performance           |
| 14 | measures described in section 136 for such par-        |
| 15 | ticipants (taking into consideration the charac-       |
| 16 | teristics of the population served and relevant        |
| 17 | economic conditions), which may include infor-         |
| 18 | mation specifying the percentage of such par-          |
| 19 | ticipants who entered unsubsidized employment          |
| 20 | in an occupation related to the program.               |
| 21 | "(3) Renewal.—The criteria established by              |
| 22 | the Governor shall also provide for biennial review    |
| 23 | and renewal of eligibility under this section for pro- |
| 24 | viders of training services.                           |

"(4) Local criteria.—A local board in the 1 2 State may establish criteria in addition to the cri-3 teria established by the Governor, or may require 4 higher levels of performance than required under the 5 criteria established by the Governor, for purposes of 6 determining the eligibility of providers of training 7 services to receive funds described in subsection (a) 8 to provide the services in the local area involved.

- "(5) Limitation.—In carrying out the requirements of this subsection, no personally identifiable information regarding a student, including Social Security number, student identification number, or other identifier, may be disclosed without the prior written consent of the parent or eligible student in compliance with section 444 of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g).
- 17 Procedures.—The procedures established under subsection (a) shall identify the application process 18 19 for a provider of training services to become eligible to receive funds under section 133(b) for the provision of training services, and identify the respective roles of the 21 State and local areas in receiving and reviewing applications and in making determinations of eligibility based on 23 the criteria established under this section. The procedures 24 shall also establish a process for a provider of training 25

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- 1 services to appeal a denial or termination of eligibility
- 2 under this section that includes an opportunity for a hear-
- 3 ing and prescribes appropriate time limits to ensure
- 4 prompt resolution of the appeal.
- 5 "(d) Information To Assist Participants in
- 6 Choosing Providers.—In order to facilitate and assist
- 7 participants under chapter 5 in choosing providers of
- 8 training services, the Governor shall ensure that an appro-
- 9 priate list or lists of providers determined eligible under
- 10 this section in the State, including information regarding
- 11 the occupations in demand that relate to the training pro-
- 12 grams of such providers, is provided to the local boards
- 13 in the State to be made available to such participants and
- 14 to members of the public through the one-stop delivery
- 15 system in the State. The accompanying information shall
- 16 consist of information provided by providers described in
- 17 subparagraphs (A) and (C) of subsection (a)(2) in accord-
- 18 ance with subsection (b) (including information on receipt
- 19 of degrees and industry-recognized certifications, and
- 20 costs of attendance, for participants receiving training
- 21 services under this subtitle in applicable programs) and
- 22 such other information as the Secretary determines is ap-
- 23 propriate. The list and the accompanying information
- 24 shall be made available to such participants and to mem-

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"(e) Enforcement.—

- 4 "(1) IN GENERAL.—The criteria and proce-5 dures established under this section shall provide the 6 following:
  - "(A) Intentionally supplying inaccurate information.—Upon a determination, by an individual or entity specified in the criteria or procedures, that a provider of training services, or individual providing information on behalf of the provider, intentionally supplied inaccurate information under this section, the eligibility of such provider to receive funds under chapter 5 shall be terminated for a period of time that is not less than 2 years.
    - "(B) Substantial violations.—Upon a determination, by an individual or entity specified in the criteria or procedures, that a provider of training services substantially violated any requirement under this title, the eligibility of such provider to receive funds under the program involved may be terminated, or other appropriate action may be taken.

- 1 "(C) Repayment.—A provider of training 2 services whose eligibility is terminated under 3 subparagraph (A) or (B) shall be liable for the 4 repayment of funds received under chapter 5 5 during a period of noncompliance described in
- 7 "(2) CONSTRUCTION.—Paragraph (1) shall be 8 construed to provide remedies and penalties that 9 supplement, but do not supplant, other civil and 10 criminal remedies and penalties.

such subparagraph.

- "(f) AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER STATES.—States
  may enter into agreements, on a reciprocal basis, to permit eligible providers of training services to accept career
  enhancement accounts provided in another State.
- "(g) RECOMMENDATIONS.—In developing the cri-16 teria, procedures, and information required under this sec-17 tion, the Governor shall solicit and take into consideration 18 the recommendations of local boards and providers of 19 training services within the State.
- "(h) Opportunity To Submit Comments.—During the development of the criteria, procedures, requirements for information, and the list of eligible providers required under this section, the Governor shall provide an opportunity for interested members of the public, including representatives of business and labor organizations, to

- 1 submit comments regarding such criteria, procedures, and
- 2 information.
- 3 "(i) On-the-Job Training or Customized Train-
- 4 ING EXCEPTION.—
- 5 "(1) In General.—Providers of on-the-job
- 6 training or customized training shall not be subject
- 7 to the requirements of subsections (a) through (d).
- 8 "(2) Collection and dissemination of in-
- 9 FORMATION.—A one-stop operator in a local area
- shall collect such performance information from on-
- the-job training and customized training providers
- as the Governor may require, determine whether the
- providers meet such performance criteria as the Gov-
- ernor may require, and disseminate information
- identifying providers that meet the criteria as eligi-
- ble providers, and the performance information,
- through the one-stop delivery system. Providers de-
- termined to meet the criteria shall be considered to
- be identified as eligible providers of training serv-
- 20 ices.".

#### 21 SEC. 110. ELIGIBLE PROVIDERS OF YOUTH ACTIVITIES.

- 22 (a) Eligible Providers of Youth Activities.—
- 23 Section 123 (29 U.S.C. 2843) is amended to read as fol-
- 24 lows:

#### 1 "SEC. 123. ELIGIBLE PROVIDERS OF YOUTH ACTIVITIES.

- 2 "(a) IN GENERAL.—From the funds allocated under
- 3 section 128(b) to a local area, the local board for such
- 4 area shall award grants or contracts on a competitive basis
- 5 to providers of youth activities identified based on the cri-
- 6 teria in the State plan and shall conduct oversight with
- 7 respect to such providers.
- 8 "(b) Exceptions.—A local board may award grants
- 9 or contracts on a sole-source basis if such board deter-
- 10 mines there are an insufficient number of eligible pro-
- 11 viders of training services in the local area involved (such
- 12 as rural areas) for grants to be awarded on a competitive
- 13 basis under subsection (a).".
- 14 (b) Clerical Amendment.—The table of contents
- 15 in section 1(b) is amended by amending the item related
- 16 to section 123 to read as follows:

"Sec. 123. Eligible providers of youth activities.".

#### 17 SEC. 111. YOUTH ACTIVITIES.

- 18 (a) STATE ALLOTMENTS.—Section 127 (29 U.S.C.
- 19 2852(a)) is amended—
- 20 (1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking "oppor-
- tunity" and inserting "challenge"; and
- 22 (2) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the
- following:
- 24 "(b) Allotment Among States.—
- 25 "(1) Youth activities.—

| 1  | "(A) Youth Challenge Grants.—              |
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| 2  | "(i) Reservation of funds.—Of              |
| 3  | the amount appropriated under section      |
| 4  | 137(a) for each fiscal year, the Secretary |
| 5  | shall reserve 25 percent to provide youth  |
| 6  | challenge grants under section 169.        |
| 7  | "(ii) Limitation.—Notwithstanding          |
| 8  | clause (i), if the amount appropriated     |
| 9  | under section 137(a) for a fiscal year ex- |
| 10 | ceeds \$1,000,000,000, the Secretary shall |
| 11 | reserve \$250,000,000 to provide youth     |
| 12 | challenge grants under section 169.        |
| 13 | "(B) Outlying areas and native amer-       |
| 14 | ICANS.—                                    |
| 15 | "(i) In General.—After determining         |
| 16 | the amount to be reserved under subpara-   |
| 17 | graph (A), of the remainder of the amount  |
| 18 | appropriated under section 137(a) for each |
| 19 | fiscal year the Secretary shall—           |
| 20 | "(I) reserve not more than ½ of            |
| 21 | one percent of such amount to provide      |
| 22 | assistance to the outlying areas to        |
| 23 | carry out youth activities and state-      |
| 24 | wide workforce investment activities;      |
| 25 | and  |

| 1  | $(\Pi)$ reserve not more than 1             |
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| 2  | and $\frac{1}{2}$ percent of such amount to |
| 3  | provide youth activities under section      |
| 4  | 166 (relating to Native Americans).         |
| 5  | "(ii) Restriction.—The Republic of          |
| 6  | Palau shall cease to be eligible to receive |
| 7  | funding under this subparagraph upon en-    |
| 8  | tering into an agreement for extension of   |
| 9  | United States educational assistance under  |
| 10 | the Compact of Free Association (approved   |
| 11 | by the Compact of Free Association          |
| 12 | Amendments Act of 2003 (Public Law          |
| 13 | 108–188)) after the date of enactment of    |
| 14 | the Workforce Investment Improvement        |
| 15 | Act of 2009.                                |
| 16 | "(C) States.—                               |
| 17 | "(i) In General.—Of the remainder           |
| 18 | of the amount appropriated under section    |
| 19 | 137(a) for a fiscal year that is available  |
| 20 | after determining the amounts to be re-     |
| 21 | served under subparagraphs (A) and (B),     |
| 22 | the Secretary shall allot—                  |
| 23 | "(I) the amount of the remainder            |
| 24 | that is less than or equal to the total     |
| 25 | amount that was allotted to States for      |

| 1  | fiscal year 2010 under section               |
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| 2  | 127(b)(1)(C) of this Act (as in effect       |
| 3  | on the day before the date of enact-         |
| 4  | ment of the Workforce Investment             |
| 5  | Improvement Act of 2009) in accord-          |
| 6  | ance with the requirements of such           |
| 7  | section $127(b)(1)(C)$ ; and                 |
| 8  | "(II) the amount of the remain-              |
| 9  | der, if any, in excess of the amount         |
| 10 | referred to in subclause (I) in accord-      |
| 11 | ance with clause (ii).                       |
| 12 | "(ii) Formulas for excess                    |
| 13 | FUNDS.—Subject to clauses (iii) and (iv),    |
| 14 | of the amounts described in clause           |
| 15 | (i)(II)—                                     |
| 16 | "(I) $33\frac{1}{3}$ percent shall be allot- |
| 17 | ted on the basis of the relative num-        |
| 18 | ber of individuals in the civilian labor     |
| 19 | force who are ages 16 through 19 in          |
| 20 | each State, compared to the total            |
| 21 | number of individuals in the civilian        |
| 22 | labor force who are ages 16 through          |
| 23 | 19 in all States;                            |
| 24 | "(II) 33½ percent shall be allot-            |
| 25 | ted on the basis of the relative num-        |

| 1  | ber of unemployed individuals in each          |
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| 2  | State, compared to the total number            |
| 3  | of unemployed individuals in all               |
| 4  | States; and                                    |
| 5  | "(III) $33\frac{1}{3}$ percent shall be allot- |
| 6  | ted on the basis of the relative num-          |
| 7  | ber of disadvantaged youth who are             |
| 8  | ages 16 through 21 in each State,              |
| 9  | compared to the total number of dis-           |
| 10 | advantaged youth who are ages 16               |
| 11 | through 21 in all States.                      |
| 12 | "(iii) Minimum and maximum per-                |
| 13 | CENTAGES.—The Secretary shall ensure           |
| 14 | that no State shall receive an allotment for   |
| 15 | a fiscal year that is less than 90 percent     |
| 16 | or greater than 130 percent of the allot-      |
| 17 | ment percentage of that State for the pre-     |
| 18 | ceding fiscal year.                            |
| 19 | "(iv) Small state minimum allot-               |
| 20 | MENT.—Subject to clause (iii), the Sec-        |
| 21 | retary shall ensure that no State shall re-    |
| 22 | ceive an allotment under this paragraph        |
| 23 | that is less than 3/10 of 1 percent of the     |
| 24 | amount available under subparagraph (A).       |

1 "(2) DEFINITIONS.—For the purposes of para-2 graph (1), the following definitions apply:

"(A) Allotment percentage', used with respect to fiscal year 2011 or a subsequent fiscal year, means a percentage of the remainder described in paragraph (1)(C)(i) that is received through an allotment made under this subsection for the fiscal year. The term, with respect to fiscal year 2010, means the percentage of the amounts allotted to States under this chapter (as in effect on the day before the date of enactment of the Workforce Investment Improvement Act of 2009) that is received by the State involved for fiscal year 2010.

- "(B) DISADVANTAGED YOUTH.—The term 'disadvantaged youth' means an individual who is age 16 through 21 who received an income, or is a member of a family that received a total family income, that, in relation to family size, does not exceed the poverty line.
- "(3) Special Rule.—For purposes of the formulas specified in paragraph (1)(C), the Secretary shall, as appropriate and to the extent practicable, exclude college students and members of the Armed

| 1  | Forces from the determination of the number of dis-  |
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| 2  | advantaged youth.";                                  |
| 3  | (3) in subsection (c)—                               |
| 4  | (A) by amending paragraph (2) to read as             |
| 5  | follows:   |
| 6  | "(2) Amount.—The amount available for real-          |
| 7  | lotment for a program year is equal to the amount    |
| 8  | by which the unexpended balance at the end of the    |
| 9  | program year prior to the program year for which     |
| 10 | the determination is made exceeds 30 percent of the  |
| 11 | total amount of funds available to the State under   |
| 12 | this section during such prior program year (includ- |
| 13 | ing amounts allotted to the State in all prior pro-  |
| 14 | gram years that remained available). For purposes    |
| 15 | of this paragraph, the expended balance is the       |
| 16 | amount that is the difference between—               |
| 17 | "(A) the total amount of funds available to          |
| 18 | the State under this section during the program      |
| 19 | year prior to the program year for which the         |
| 20 | determination is made (including amounts allot-      |
| 21 | ted to the State in all prior program years that     |
| 22 | remained available); and                             |
| 23 | "(B) the accrued expenditures during such            |
| 24 | prior program year.";                                |
| 25 | (B) in paragraph (3)—                                |

| 1  | (i) by striking "for the prior program               |
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| 2  | year" and inserting "for the program year            |
| 3  | in which the determination is made"; and             |
| 4  | (ii) by striking "such prior program                 |
| 5  | year" and inserting "such program year";             |
| 6  | (C) by amending paragraph (4) to read as             |
| 7  | follows:   |
| 8  | "(4) Eligibility.—For purposes of this sub-          |
| 9  | section, an eligible State means a State which does  |
| 10 | not have an amount available for reallotment under   |
| 11 | paragraph (2) for the program year for which the     |
| 12 | determination under paragraph (2) is made."; and     |
| 13 | (D) in paragraph (5), by striking "obliga-           |
| 14 | tion" and inserting "accrued expenditure".           |
| 15 | (b) WITHIN STATE ALLOCATIONS.—                       |
| 16 | (1) Reservation for statewide activi-                |
| 17 | TIES.—Section 128(a) is amended to read as follows:  |
| 18 | "(a) Reservation for Statewide Activities.—          |
| 19 | "(1) In General.—The Governor of a State             |
| 20 | shall reserve not more than 10 percent of the        |
| 21 | amount allotted to the State under section           |
| 22 | 127(a)(1)(C) for a fiscal year for statewide activi- |
| 23 | ties.  |
| 24 | "(2) Use of funds.—Regardless of whether             |
| 25 | the amounts are allotted under section 127(a)(1)(C)  |

| 1  | and reserved under paragraph (1) or allotted under |
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| 2  | section 132 and reserved under section 133(a), the |
| 3  | Governor may use the reserved amounts to carry out |
| 4  | statewide youth activities under section 129(b) or |
| 5  | statewide employment and training activities under |
| 6  | section 133.".                                     |
| 7  | (2) WITHIN STATE ALLOCATIONS.—Section              |
| 8  | 128(b) is amended to read as follows:              |
| 9  | "(b) WITHIN STATE ALLOCATION.—                     |
| 10 | "(1) IN GENERAL.—Of the amounts allotted to        |
| 11 | the State under section 127(a)(1)(C) and not re-   |
| 12 | served under subsection (a)(1)—                    |
| 13 | "(A) not less than 80 percent of such              |
| 14 | amounts shall be allocated by the Governor to      |
| 15 | local areas in accordance with paragraph (2);      |
| 16 | and  |
| 17 | "(B) not more than 20 percent of such              |
| 18 | amounts shall be allocated by the Governor to      |
| 19 | local areas in accordance with paragraph (3).      |
| 20 | "(2) Established formula.—                         |
| 21 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—Of the amounts de-                |
| 22 | scribed in paragraph (1)(A), the Governor shall    |
| 23 | allocate—  |
| 24 | "(i) $33\frac{1}{3}$ percent shall be allotted on  |
| 25 | the basis of the relative number of individ-       |

| 1  | uals in the civilian labor force who are ages      |
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| 2  | 16 through 19 in each local area, com-             |
| 3  | pared to the total number of individuals in        |
| 4  | the civilian labor force who are ages 16           |
| 5  | through 19 in all local areas in the State;        |
| 6  | "(ii) 33½ percent shall be allotted on             |
| 7  | the basis of the relative number of unem-          |
| 8  | ployed individuals in each local area, com-        |
| 9  | pared to the total number of unemployed            |
| 10 | individuals in all local areas in the State;       |
| 11 | and  |
| 12 | "(iii) 33½ percent on the basis of the             |
| 13 | relative number of disadvantaged youth             |
| 14 | who are ages 16 through 21 in each local           |
| 15 | area, compared to the total number of dis-         |
| 16 | advantaged youth who are ages 16 through           |
| 17 | 21 in all local areas in the State.                |
| 18 | "(B) MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM PERCENT-                  |
| 19 | AGES.—The Governor shall ensure that no local      |
| 20 | area shall receive an allocation for a fiscal year |
| 21 | under this paragraph that is less than 90 per-     |
| 22 | cent or greater than 130 percent of the alloca-    |
| 23 | tion percentage of the local area for the pre-     |
| 24 | ceding fiscal year.                                |
| 25 | "(C) Definitions.—                                 |

1 "(i) Allocation percentage.—For 2 purposes of this paragraph, the term 'allo-3 cation percentage', used with respect to fis-4 cal year 2011 or a subsequent fiscal year, means a percentage of the amount de-6 scribed in paragraph(1)(A) that is received 7 through an allocation made under this 8 paragraph for the fiscal year. The term, 9 with respect to fiscal year 2010, means the 10 percentage of the amounts allocated to 11 local areas under this chapter (as in effect 12 on the day before the date of enactment of 13 the Workforce Investment Improvement 14 Act of 2009) that is received by the local 15 area involved for fiscal year 2010. 16 17

"(ii) DISADVANTAGED YOUTH.—The term 'disadvantaged youth' means an individual who is age 16 through 21 who received an income, or is a member of a family that received a total family income, that, in relation to family size, does not exceed the poverty line.

"(3) Youth discretionary allocation.—
The Governor shall allocate to local areas the amounts described in paragraph (1)(B) in accord-

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| 1  | ance with such demographic and economic factors as  |
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| 2  | the Governor, after consultation with the State     |
| 3  | board and local boards, determines are appropriate. |
| 4  | "(4) Local administrative cost limit.—              |
| 5  | "(A) In general.—Of the amounts allo-               |
| 6  | cated to a local area under this subsection for     |
| 7  | a fiscal year, not more than 10 percent of the      |
| 8  | amount may be used by the local boards for the      |
| 9  | administrative costs of carrying out local work-    |
| 10 | force investment activities under this chapter or   |
| 11 | chapter 5.  |
| 12 | "(B) Use of funds.—Funds made avail-                |
| 13 | able for administrative costs under subpara-        |
| 14 | graph (A) may be used for the administrative        |
| 15 | costs of any of the local workforce investment      |
| 16 | activities described in this chapter or chapter 5,  |
| 17 | regardless of whether the funds were allocated      |
| 18 | under this subsection or section 133(b).".          |
| 19 | (3) Reallocation.—Section 128(c) (29                |
| 20 | U.S.C. 2853(c)) is amended—                         |
| 21 | (A) in paragraph (1), by striking "para-            |
| 22 | graph (2)(A) or (3) of";                            |
| 23 | (B) by amending paragraph (2) to read as            |
| 24 | follows:  |

| 1  | "(2) Amount.—The amount available for re-              |
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| 2  | allocation for a program year is equal to the amount   |
| 3  | by which the unexpended balance at the end of the      |
| 4  | program year prior to the program year for which       |
| 5  | the determination is made exceeds 30 percent of the    |
| 6  | total amount of funds available to the local area      |
| 7  | under this section during such prior program year,     |
| 8  | (including amounts allotted to the local area in prior |
| 9  | program years that remain available). For purposes     |
| 10 | of this paragraph, the unexpended balance is the       |
| 11 | amount that is the difference between—                 |
| 12 | "(A) the total amount of funds available to            |
| 13 | the local area under this section during the pro-      |
| 14 | gram year prior to the program year for which          |
| 15 | the determination is made (including amounts           |
| 16 | allocated to the local area in all prior program       |
| 17 | years that remained available); and                    |
| 18 | "(B) the accrued expenditures during such              |
| 19 | prior program year.";                                  |
| 20 | (C) in paragraph (3)—                                  |
| 21 | (i) by striking "subsection (b)(3)" the                |
| 22 | first two places it appears and inserting              |
| 23 | "subsection (b)";                                      |

| 1  | (ii) by striking "the prior program                       |
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| 2  | year" and inserting "the program year in                  |
| 3  | which the determination is made";                         |
| 4  | (iii) by striking "such prior program                     |
| 5  | year" and inserting "such program year";                  |
| 6  | and   |
| 7  | (iv) by striking the last sentence; and                   |
| 8  | (D) by amending paragraph (4) to read as                  |
| 9  | follows:  |
| 10 | "(4) Eligibility.—For purposes of this sub-               |
| 11 | section, an eligible local area means a local area        |
| 12 | which does not have an amount available for re-           |
| 13 | allocation under paragraph (2) for the program year       |
| 14 | for which the determination under paragraph (2) is        |
| 15 | made.".   |
| 16 | (c) Youth Participant Eligibility.—Section                |
| 17 | 129(a) (29 U.S.C. 2854(a)) is amended to read as follows: |
| 18 | "(a) Youth Participant Eligibility.—                      |
| 19 | "(1) In General.—The individuals partici-                 |
| 20 | pating in activities carried out under this chapter by    |
| 21 | a local area during any program year shall be indi-       |
| 22 | viduals who, at the time the eligibility determination    |
| 23 | is made, are—   |
| 24 | "(A) not younger than age 16 or older                     |
| 25 | than age 24; and  |

| 1  | "(B) one or more of the following:              |
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| 2  | "(i) school dropouts;                           |
| 3  | "(ii) recipients of a secondary school          |
| 4  | diploma, General Educational Development        |
| 5  | credential (GED), or other State-recog-         |
| 6  | nized equivalent (including recognized al-      |
| 7  | ternative standards for individuals with        |
| 8  | disabilities) who are deficient in basic skills |
| 9  | and not attending any school;                   |
| 10 | "(iii) court-involved youth attending           |
| 11 | an alternative school;                          |
| 12 | "(iv) youth in foster care or who have          |
| 13 | been in foster care; or                         |
| 14 | "(v) in school youth who are low-in-            |
| 15 | come individuals and one or more of the         |
| 16 | following:                                      |
| 17 | "(I) Deficient in literacy skills.              |
| 18 | "(II) Homeless, runaway, or fos-                |
| 19 | ter children.                                   |
| 20 | "(III) Pregnant or parents.                     |
| 21 | "(IV) Offenders.                                |
| 22 | "(V) Individuals who require ad-                |
| 23 | ditional assistance to complete an edu-         |
| 24 | cational program, or to secure and              |
| 25 | hold employment.                                |

| 1  | "(2) Priority for school dropouts.—A                   |
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| 2  | priority in the provision of services under this chap- |
| 3  | ter shall be given to individuals who are school drop- |
| 4  | outs.  |
| 5  | "(3) Consistency with compulsory school                |
| 6  | ATTENDANCE LAWS.—In providing assistance under         |
| 7  | this section to an individual who is required to at-   |
| 8  | tend school under applicable State compulsory school   |
| 9  | attendance laws, the priority in providing such as-    |
| 10 | sistance shall be for the individual to attend school  |
| 11 | regularly.".   |
| 12 | (d) Statewide Youth Activities.—Section 129(b)         |
| 13 | (29 U.S.C. 2854(b)) is amended to read as follows:     |
| 14 | "(b) Statewide Activities.—                            |
| 15 | "(1) IN GENERAL.—Funds reserved by a Gov-              |
| 16 | ernor for a State as described in sections 128(a) and  |
| 17 | 133(a)(1) may be used for statewide activities in-     |
| 18 | cluding—   |
| 19 | "(A) additional assistance to local areas              |
| 20 | that have high concentrations of eligible youth,       |
| 21 | including out-of-school youth;                         |
| 22 | "(B) supporting the provision of work                  |
| 23 | ready services described in section 134(c)(2) in       |
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| 1  | "(C) conducting evaluations under section          |
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| 2  | 136(e) of activities authorized under this chap-   |
| 3  | ter and chapter 5 in coordination with evalua-     |
| 4  | tions carried out by the Secretary under section   |
| 5  | 172, research, and demonstration projects;         |
| 6  | "(D) providing incentive grants to local           |
| 7  | areas for regional cooperation among local         |
| 8  | boards (including local boards in a designated     |
| 9  | region as described in section 116(c)), for local  |
| 10 | coordination of activities carried out under this  |
| 11 | Act, and for exemplary performance by local        |
| 12 | areas on the local performance measures;           |
| 13 | "(E) providing technical assistance and ca-        |
| 14 | pacity building to local areas, one-stop opera-    |
| 15 | tors, one-stop partners, and eligible providers,   |
| 16 | including the development and training of staff,   |
| 17 | the development of exemplary program activi-       |
| 18 | ties, and the provision of technical assistance to |
| 19 | local areas that fail to meet local performance    |
| 20 | measures;  |
| 21 | "(F) operating a fiscal and management             |
| 22 | accountability system under section 136(f); and    |
| 23 | "(G) carrying out monitoring and over-             |
| 24 | sight of activities under this chapter and chap-   |

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ter 5.

| 1  | "(2) Limitation.—Not more than 5 percent of            |
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| 2  | the funds allotted under section 127(b) shall be used  |
| 3  | by the State for administrative activities carried out |
| 4  | under this subsection and section 133(a).              |
| 5  | "(3) Prohibition.—No funds described in this           |
| 6  | subsection or in section 134(a) may be used to de-     |
| 7  | velop or implement education curricula for school      |
| 8  | systems in the State.".                                |
| 9  | (e) Local Elements and Requirements.—                  |
| 10 | (1) Program design.—Section 129(c)(1) (29              |
| 11 | U.S.C. 2854(c)(1)) is amended—                         |
| 12 | (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph               |
| 13 | (A), by striking "paragraph (2)(A) or (3), as          |
| 14 | appropriate, of";                                      |
| 15 | (B) in subparagraph (B), by inserting "are             |
| 16 | directly linked to one or more of the perform-         |
| 17 | ance measures relating to this chapter under           |
| 18 | section 136, and that" after "for each partici-        |
| 19 | pant that"; and  |
| 20 | (C) in subparagraph (C)—                               |
| 21 | (i) by redesignating clauses (i)                       |
| 22 | through (iv) as clauses (ii) through (v), re-          |
| 23 | spectively;  |
| 24 | (ii) by inserting before clause (ii) (as               |
| 25 | so redesignated) the following:                        |

| 1  | "(i) activities leading to the attain-             |
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| 2  | ment of a secondary school diploma, Gen-           |
| 3  | eral Educational Development credential            |
| 4  | (GED), or other State-recognized equiva-           |
| 5  | lent (including recognized alternative             |
| 6  | standards for individuals with disabil-            |
| 7  | ities);";  |
| 8  | (iii) in clause (ii) (as so redesignated),         |
| 9  | by inserting "and advanced training" after         |
| 10 | "opportunities";                                   |
| 11 | (iv) in clause (iii) (as so redesig-               |
| 12 | nated), by inserting "that lead to the at-         |
| 13 | tainment of recognized credentials" after          |
| 14 | "learning"; and                                    |
| 15 | (v) by amending clause (v) (as so re-              |
| 16 | designated) to read as follows:                    |
| 17 | "(v) effective connections to employ-              |
| 18 | ers, including small employers, in sectors         |
| 19 | of the local and regional labor markets ex-        |
| 20 | periencing high growth in employment op-           |
| 21 | portunities."; and                                 |
| 22 | (D) provide assistance and support to out-         |
| 23 | of-school youth who lack the skill level to obtain |
| 24 | employment.  |

| 1  | (2) Program elements.—Section 129(c)(2)                |
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| 2  | (29 U.S.C. 2854(c)(2)) is amended—                     |
| 3  | (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking "sec-             |
| 4  | ondary school, including dropout prevention            |
| 5  | strategies" and inserting "secondary school di-        |
| 6  | ploma, General Educational Development cre-            |
| 7  | dential (GED), or other State-recognized equiv-        |
| 8  | alent (including recognized alternative stand-         |
| 9  | ards for individuals with disabilities), including     |
| 10 | dropout prevention strategies";                        |
| 11 | (B) in subparagraph (I), by striking "and"             |
| 12 | at the end;  |
| 13 | (C) in subparagraph (J), by striking the               |
| 14 | period at the end and inserting a semicolon;           |
| 15 | and  |
| 16 | (D) by adding at the end the following:                |
| 17 | "(K) on-the-job training opportunities; and            |
| 18 | "(L) financial literacy skills.".                      |
| 19 | (3) Additional requirements.—Section                   |
| 20 | 129(c)(3)(A) (29 U.S.C. 2854(c)(3)(A)) is amended      |
| 21 | in the matter preceding clause (i) by striking "or ap- |
| 22 | plicant who meets the minimum income criteria to       |
| 23 | be considered an eligible youth".                      |
| 24 | (4) Priority and exceptions.—Section                   |
| 25 | 129(c) (29 U.S.C. 2854(c)) is further amended—         |

| 1  | (A) by striking paragraphs (4) and (5) and  |
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| 2  | redesignating paragraphs (6) through (8) as                                       |
| 3  | paragraphs (4) through (6), respectively; and                                     |
| 4  | (B) in paragraph (5) (as so redesignated),  |
| 5  | by striking "youth councils" and inserting  |
| 6  | "local boards".   |
| 7  | SEC. 112. PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS AND DISLOCATED                                      |
| 8  | WORKERS.  |
| 9  | (a) TITLE AMENDMENT.—   |
| 10 | (1) The title heading of chapter 5 is amended                                     |
| 11 | to read as follows:   |
| 12 | "CHAPTER 5—EMPLOYMENT AND TRAIN-  |
| 13 | ING ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS AND DIS-  |
| 14 | CLOSED WORKERS".  |
| 15 | (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of con-   |
| 16 | tents in section 1(b) is amended by amending the                                  |
| 17 | item related to the heading for chapter 5 to read as                              |
| 18 | follows:  |
|    | "Chapter 5—Employment and Training Activities for Adults and Dislocated Workers". |
| 19 | (b) General Authorization.—Section 131 (29  |
| 20 | U.S.C. 2861) is amended by striking "paragraphs (1)(B)                            |
| 21 | and (2)(B) of".   |
| 22 | (c) State Allotments.—Section 132 (29 U.S.C.                                      |
| 23 | 2862) is amended—   |

| 1  | (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-     |
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| 2  | lows:  |
| 3  | "(a) In General.—The Secretary shall—              |
| 4  | "(1) reserve 5 percent of the amount appro-        |
| 5  | priated under section 137 for a fiscal year, of    |
| 6  | which—   |
| 7  | "(A) not less than 85 percent shall be used        |
| 8  | for national dislocated worker grants under sec-   |
| 9  | tion 173;  |
| 10 | "(B) not more than 10 percent may be               |
| 11 | used for demonstration projects under section      |
| 12 | 171; and   |
| 13 | "(C) not more than 5 percent may be used           |
| 14 | to provide technical assistance under section      |
| 15 | 170; and   |
| 16 | "(2) make allotments from 95 percent of the        |
| 17 | amount appropriated under section 137 for a fiscal |
| 18 | year in accordance with subsection (b).";          |
| 19 | (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-     |
| 20 | lows:  |
| 21 | "(b) Allotment Among States for Employment         |
| 22 | AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES FOR ADULT AND DISLOCATED   |
| 23 | Workers.—  |
| 24 | "(1) Reservation for outlying areas.—              |

"(A) IN GENERAL.—From the amount made available under subsection (a)(2) for a fiscal year, the Secretary shall reserve not more than ½ of 1 percent to provide assistance to outlying areas to carry out employment and training activities for adults, dislocated workers, and statewide workforce investment activities.

"(B) Restriction.—The Republic of Palau shall cease to be eligible to receive funding under this paragraph upon entering into an agreement for extension of United States educational assistance under the Compact of Free Association (approved by the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 (Public Law 108–188)) after the date of enactment of the Workforce Investment Improvement Act of 2009.

"(2) STATES.—Subject to paragraph (5), of the remainder of the amount referred to under subsection (a)(2) for a fiscal year that is available after determining the amount to be reserved under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall allot to the States for employment and training activities for adults, dislocated workers, and statewide workforce investment activities—

| 1  | "(A) 26 percent in accordance with para-      |
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| 2  | graph (3); and                                |
| 3  | "(B) 74 percent in accordance with para-      |
| 4  | graph (4).                                    |
| 5  | "(3) Base formula.—                           |
| 6  | "(A) FISCAL YEAR 2011.—                       |
| 7  | "(i) In general.—Subject to clause            |
| 8  | (ii), the amount referred to in paragraph     |
| 9  | (2)(A) shall be allotted for fiscal year 2011 |
| 10 | on the basis of allotment percentage of       |
| 11 | each State under section 6 of the Wagner-     |
| 12 | Peyser Act for fiscal year 2010.              |
| 13 | "(ii) Excess amounts.—If the                  |
| 14 | amount referred to in paragraph (2)(A) for    |
| 15 | fiscal year 2011 exceeds the amount that      |
| 16 | was available for allotment to the States     |
| 17 | under the Wagner-Peyser Act for fiscal        |
| 18 | year 2010, such excess amount shall be al-    |
| 19 | lotted on the basis of the relative number    |
| 20 | of individuals in the civilian labor force in |
| 21 | each State, compared to the total number      |
| 22 | of individuals in the civilian labor force in |
| 23 | all States, adjusted to ensure that no State  |
| 24 | receives less than 3/10 of one percent of     |
| 25 | such excess amount.                           |

| 1  | "(iii) Definition.—For purposes of             |
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| 2  | this subparagraph, the term 'allotment         |
| 3  | percentage' means the percentage of the        |
| 4  | amounts allotted to States under section 6     |
| 5  | of the Wagner-Peyser Act that is received      |
| 6  | by the State involved for fiscal year 2010.    |
| 7  | "(B) FISCAL YEARS 2012 AND THERE-              |
| 8  | AFTER.—  |
| 9  | "(i) In general.—Subject to clause             |
| 10 | (ii), the amount referred to in paragraph      |
| 11 | (2)(A) shall be allotted for fiscal year 2012  |
| 12 | and each fiscal year thereafter on the basis   |
| 13 | of the allotment percentage of each State      |
| 14 | under this paragraph for the preceding fis-    |
| 15 | cal year.                                      |
| 16 | "(ii) Excess amounts.—If the                   |
| 17 | amount referred to in paragraph (2)(A) for     |
| 18 | fiscal year 2012 or any fiscal year there-     |
| 19 | after exceeds the amount that was avail-       |
| 20 | able for allotment under this paragraph for    |
| 21 | the prior fiscal year, such excess amount      |
| 22 | shall be allotted on the basis of the relative |
| 23 | number of individuals in the civilian labor    |
| 24 | force in each State, compared to the total     |
| 25 | number of individuals in the civilian labor    |

| 1  | force in all States, adjusted to ensure that  |
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| 2  | no State receives less than 3/10 of one per-  |
| 3  | cent of such excess amount.                   |
| 4  | "(iii) Definition.—For purposes of            |
| 5  | this subparagraph, the term 'allotment        |
| 6  | percentage' means the percentage of the       |
| 7  | amounts allotted to States under this para-   |
| 8  | graph in a fiscal year that is received by    |
| 9  | the State involved for such fiscal year.      |
| 10 | "(4) Formula.—                                |
| 11 | "(A) In general.—Subject to subpara-          |
| 12 | graphs (B) and (C), of the amount referred to |
| 13 | in paragraph (2)(B)—                          |
| 14 | "(i) 60 percent shall be allotted on the      |
| 15 | basis of the relative number of unemployed    |
| 16 | individuals in each State, compared to the    |
| 17 | total number of unemployed individuals in     |
| 18 | all States;                                   |
| 19 | "(ii) 25 percent shall be allotted or         |
| 20 | the basis of the relative excess number of    |
| 21 | unemployed individuals in each State, com-    |
| 22 | pared to the total excess number of unem-     |
| 23 | ployed individuals in all States; and         |
| 24 | "(iii) 15 percent shall be allotted or        |
| 25 | the basis of the relative number of dis-      |

| 1  | advantaged adults in each State, compared                              |
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| 2  | to the total number of disadvantaged                                   |
| 3  | adults in all States.  |
| 4  | "(B) MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM PERCENT-                                      |
| 5  | AGES.—   |
| 6  | "(i) MINIMUM PERCENTAGE.—The   |
| 7  | Secretary shall ensure that no State shall                             |
| 8  | receive an allotment under this paragraph                              |
| 9  | for a fiscal year that is less than 90 per-                            |
| 10 | cent of the allotment percentage of the                                |
| 11 | State under this paragraph for the pre-                                |
| 12 | ceding fiscal year.  |
| 13 | "(ii) Maximum percentage.—Sub-   |
| 14 | ject to clause (i), the Secretary shall en-                            |
| 15 | sure that no State shall receive an allot-                             |
| 16 | ment for a fiscal year under this para-                                |
| 17 | graph that is more than 130 percent of the                             |
| 18 | allotment of the State under this para-                                |
| 19 | graph for the preceding fiscal year.                                   |
| 20 | "(C) SMALL STATE MINIMUM ALLOT-  |
| 21 | MENT.—Subject to subparagraph (B), the Sec-                            |
| 22 | retary shall ensure that no State shall receive                        |
| 23 | an allotment under this paragraph that is less                         |
| 24 | than <sup>2</sup> / <sub>10</sub> of 1 percent of the amount available |
| 25 | under subparagraph (A).  |

| 1 | "(D) Definitions.—For the purposes of |
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| 2 | this paragraph:                       |
| 3 | "(i) Allotment Percentage.—The        |

term 'allotment percentage', used with respect to fiscal year 2011 or a subsequent fiscal year, means a percentage of the amounts described in paragraph (2)(B) that is received through an allotment made under this paragraph for the fiscal year. The term, with respect to fiscal year 2010, means the percentage of the amounts allotted to States under this chapter (as in effect on the day before the date of enactment of the Workforce Investment Improvement Act of 2009) and under reemployment service grants received by the State involved for fiscal year 2010.

"(ii) DISADVANTAGED ADULT.—The term 'disadvantaged adult' means an individual who is age 22 through 72 who received an income, or is a member of a family that received a total family income, that, in relation to family size, does not exceed the poverty line.

| 1  | "(iii) Excess number.—The term                         |
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| 2  | 'excess number' means, used with respect               |
| 3  | to the excess number of unemployed indi-               |
| 4  | viduals within a State, the number that                |
| 5  | represents the number of unemployed indi-              |
| 6  | viduals in excess of $4\frac{1}{2}$ percent of the ci- |
| 7  | vilian labor force in the State.                       |
| 8  | "(5) Adjustments in allotments based on                |
| 9  | DIFFERENCES WITH UNCONSOLIDATED FOR-                   |
| 10 | MULAS.—  |
| 11 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall                   |
| 12 | ensure that for any fiscal year no State has an        |
| 13 | allotment difference, as defined in subpara-           |
| 14 | graph (C), that is less than zero. The Secretary       |
| 15 | shall adjust the amounts allotted to the States        |
| 16 | under this subsection in accordance with sub-          |
| 17 | paragraph (B) if necessary to carry out this           |
| 18 | subparagraph.  |
| 19 | "(B) Adjustments in allotments.—                       |
| 20 | "(i) Redistribution of excess                          |
| 21 | AMOUNTS.—  |
| 22 | "(I) IN GENERAL.—If necessary                          |
| 23 | to carry out subparagraph (A), the                     |
| 24 | Secretary shall reduce the amounts                     |
| 25 | that would be allotted under para-                     |

| 1  | graphs (3) and (4) to States that have |
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| 2  | an excess allotment difference, as de- |
| 3  | fined in subclause (II), by the amount |
| 4  | of such excess, and use such amounts   |
| 5  | to increase the allotments to States   |
| 6  | that have an allotment difference less |
| 7  | than zero.                             |
| 8  | "(II) EXCESS AMOUNTS.—For              |
| 9  | purposes of subclause (I), the term    |
| 10 | 'excess' allotment difference means an |
| 11 | allotment difference for a State that  |
| 12 | is—                                    |
| 13 | "(aa) in excess of 3 percent           |
| 14 | of the amount described in sub-        |
| 15 | paragraph (C)(i)(II); or               |
| 16 | "(bb) in excess of a percent-          |
| 17 | age established by the Secretary       |
| 18 | that is greater than 3 percent of      |
| 19 | the amount described in subpara-       |
| 20 | graph (C)(i)(II) if the Secretary      |
| 21 | determines that such greater per-      |
| 22 | centage is sufficient to carry out     |
| 23 | subparagraph (A).                      |
| 24 | "(ii) USE OF AMOUNTS AVAILABLE         |
| 25 | IINDER NATIONAL RESERVE ACCOUNT        |

| 1  | the funds available under clause (i) are in- |
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| 2  | sufficient to carry out subparagraph (A),    |
| 3  | the Secretary shall use funds reserved       |
| 4  | under section 132(a) in such amounts as      |
| 5  | are necessary to increase the allotments to  |
| 6  | States to meet the requirements of sub-      |
| 7  | paragraph (A). Such funds shall be used in   |
| 8  | the same manner as the States use the        |
| 9  | other funds allotted under this subsection.  |
| 10 | "(C) Definition of Allotment dif-            |
| 11 | FERENCE.—                                    |
| 12 | "(i) In general.—For purposes of             |
| 13 | this paragraph, the term 'allotment dif-     |
| 14 | ference' means the difference between—       |
| 15 | "(I) the total amount a State                |
| 16 | would receive of the amounts available       |
| 17 | for allotment under subsection (b)(2)        |
| 18 | for a fiscal year pursuant to para-          |
| 19 | graphs (3) and (4); and                      |
| 20 | "(II) the total amount the State             |
| 21 | would receive of the amounts available       |
| 22 | for allotment under subsection (b)(2)        |
| 23 | for the fiscal year if such amounts          |
| 24 | were allotted pursuant to the uncon-         |
| 25 | solidated formulas (applied as de-           |

| 1  | scribed in clause (iii)) that were used    |
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| 2  | in allotting funds for fiscal year 2010.   |
| 3  | "(ii) Unconsolidated formulas.—            |
| 4  | For purposes of clause (i), the unconsoli- |
| 5  | dated formulas are:                        |
| 6  | "(I) The requirements for the al-          |
| 7  | lotment of funds to the States con-        |
| 8  | tained in section 132(b)(1)(B) of this     |
| 9  | Act (as in effect on the day before the    |
| 10 | date of enactment of the Workforce         |
| 11 | Investment Improvement Act of 2009)        |
| 12 | that were applicable to the allotment      |
| 13 | of funds under such section for fiscal     |
| 14 | year 2010.                                 |
| 15 | "(II) The requirements for the             |
| 16 | allotment of funds to the States con-      |
| 17 | tained in section 132(b)(2)(B) of this     |
| 18 | Act (as in effect on the day before the    |
| 19 | date of enactment of the Workforce         |
| 20 | Investment Improvement Act of 2009)        |
| 21 | that were applicable to the allotment      |
| 22 | of funds under such section for fiscal     |
| 23 | year 2010.                                 |
| 24 | "(III) The requirements for the            |
| 25 | allotment of funds to the States that      |

were contained in section 6 of the
Wagner-Peyser Act (as in effect on
the day before the date of enactment
of the Workforce Investment Improvement Act of 2009) that were applicable to the allotment of funds under
such Act for fiscal year 2010.

"(IV) The requirements for the

"(IV) The requirements for the allotment of funds to the States that were established by the Secretary for Reemployment Services Grants that were applicable to the allotment of funds for such grants for fiscal year 2010.

"(iii) Proportionate application
OF Unconsolidated formulas Based
ON FISCAL YEAR 2010.—In calculating the
amount under clause (i)(II), each of the
unconsolidated formulas identified in
clause (ii) shall be applied, respectively,
only to the proportionate share of the total
amount of funds available for allotment
under subsection (b)(2) for a fiscal year
that is equal to the proportionate share to
which each of the unconsolidated formulas

1 applied with respect to the total amount of 2 funds allotted to the States under all of 3 the unconsolidated formulas in fiscal year 2010. 4 "(iv) Rule of construction.—The 6 amounts used to adjust the allotments to a 7 State under subparagraph (B) for a fiscal 8 year shall not be included in the calcula-9 tion of the amounts under clause (i) for a 10 subsequent fiscal year, including the cal-11 culation of allocation percentages for a 12 preceding fiscal year applicable to para-13 graphs (3) and (4) and to the unconsoli-14 dated formulas described in clause (ii)."; 15 and 16 (3) in subsection (c)— 17 (A) by amending paragraph (2) to read as 18 follows: 19 "(2) AMOUNT.—The amount available for real-20 lotment for a program year is equal to the amount 21 by which the unexpended balance at the end of the 22 program year prior to the program year for which

the determination is made exceeds 30 percent of the

total amount of funds available to the State under

this section during such prior program year (includ-

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| 1  | ing amounts allotted to the State in all prior pro- |
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| 2  | gram years that remained available). For purposes   |
| 3  | of this paragraph, the expended balance is the      |
| 4  | amount that is the difference between—              |
| 5  | "(A) the total amount of funds available to         |
| 6  | the State under this section during the program     |
| 7  | year prior to the program year for which the        |
| 8  | determination is made (including amounts allot-     |
| 9  | ted to the State in all prior program years that    |
| 10 | remained available); and                            |
| 11 | "(B) the accrued expenditures during such           |
| 12 | prior program year.";                               |
| 13 | (B) in paragraph (3)—                               |
| 14 | (i) by striking "for the prior program              |
| 15 | year" and inserting "for the program year           |
| 16 | in which the determination is made"; and            |
| 17 | (ii) by striking "such prior program                |
| 18 | year" and inserting "such program year";            |
| 19 | (C) by amending paragraph (4) to read as            |
| 20 | follows:  |
| 21 | "(4) Eligibility.—For purposes of this sub-         |
| 22 | section, an eligible State means a State that does  |
| 23 | not have an amount available for reallotment under  |
| 24 | paragraph (2) for the program year for which the    |
| 25 | determination under paragraph (2) is made."; and    |

| 1  | (D) in paragraph (5), by striking "obliga-                  |
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| 2  | tion" and inserting "accrued expenditure".                  |
| 3  | (d) WITHIN STATE ALLOCATIONS.—Section 133 (29               |
| 4  | U.S.C. 2863) is amended—                                    |
| 5  | (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-              |
| 6  | lows:   |
| 7  | "(a) Reservation for Statewide Activities.—                 |
| 8  | The Governor of a State may reserve up to 40 percent        |
| 9  | of the total amount allotted to the State under section 132 |
| 10 | for a fiscal year to carry out the statewide activities de- |
| 11 | scribed in section 134(a).";                                |
| 12 | (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-              |
| 13 | lows:   |
| 14 | "(b) Allocations to Local Areas.—                           |
| 15 | "(1) IN GENERAL.—Of the amounts allotted to                 |
| 16 | the State under section 132(b)(2) and not reserved          |
| 17 | under subsection (a)—                                       |
| 18 | "(A) 85 percent of such amounts shall be                    |
| 19 | allocated by the Governor to local areas in ac-             |
| 20 | cordance with paragraph (2); and                            |
| 21 | "(B) 15 percent of such amounts shall be                    |
| 22 | allocated by the Governor to local areas in ac-             |
| 23 | cordance with paragraph (3).                                |
| 24 | "(2) Established formula.—                                  |

| 1  | "(A) IN GENERAL.—Of the amounts de-                |
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| 2  | scribed in paragraph (1)(A), the Governor shall    |
| 3  | allocate—  |
| 4  | "(i) 60 percent on the basis of the rel-           |
| 5  | ative number of unemployed individuals in          |
| 6  | each local area, compared to the total             |
| 7  | number of unemployed individuals in all            |
| 8  | local areas in the State;                          |
| 9  | "(ii) 25 percent on the basis of the               |
| 10 | relative excess number of unemployed indi-         |
| 11 | viduals in each local area, compared to the        |
| 12 | total excess number of unemployed individ-         |
| 13 | uals in all local areas in the State; and          |
| 14 | "(iii) 15 percent shall be allotted on             |
| 15 | the basis of the relative number of dis-           |
| 16 | advantaged adults in each local area, com-         |
| 17 | pared to the total number of disadvantaged         |
| 18 | adults in all local areas in the State.            |
| 19 | "(B) MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM PERCENT-                  |
| 20 | AGES.—The Governor shall ensure that no local      |
| 21 | area shall receive an allocation for a fiscal year |
| 22 | under this paragraph that is less than 90 per-     |
| 23 | cent or greater than 130 percent of the alloca-    |
| 24 | tion percentage of the local area for the pre-     |
| 25 | ceding fiscal year                                 |

| 1  | "(C) Definitions.—                             |
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| 2  | "(i) ALLOCATION PERCENTAGE.—The                |
| 3  | term 'allocation percentage', used with re-    |
| 4  | spect to fiscal year 2011 or a subsequent      |
| 5  | fiscal year, means a percentage of the         |
| 6  | amount described in paragraph (1)(A) that      |
| 7  | is received through an allocation made         |
| 8  | under this paragraph for the fiscal year.      |
| 9  | The term, with respect to fiscal year 2010,    |
| 10 | means the percentage of the amounts allo-      |
| 11 | cated to local areas under this chapter (as    |
| 12 | in effect on the day before the date of en-    |
| 13 | actment of the Workforce Investment Im-        |
| 14 | provement Act of 2009) that is received by     |
| 15 | the local area involved for fiscal year 2010.  |
| 16 | "(ii) DISADVANTAGED ADULT.—The                 |
| 17 | term 'disadvantaged adult' means an indi-      |
| 18 | vidual who is age 22 through 72 who re-        |
| 19 | ceived an income, or is a member of a fam-     |
| 20 | ily that received a total family income,       |
| 21 | that, in relation to family size, does not ex- |
| 22 | ceed the poverty line.                         |
| 23 | "(iii) Excess number.—The term                 |
| 24 | 'excess number' means, used with respect       |
| 25 | to the excess number of unemployed indi-       |

viduals within a local area, the number
that represents the number of unemployed
individuals in excess of 4.5 percent of the
civilian labor force in the local area.

"(3) DISCRETIONARY ALLOCATION.—The Governor shall allocate to local areas the amounts described in paragraph (1)(B) based on a formula developed in consultation with the State board and local boards. Such formula shall be objective and geographically equitable and may include such demographic and economic factors as the Governor, after consultation with the State board and local boards, determines are appropriate.

## "(4) Local administrative cost limit.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Of the amounts allocated to a local area under this subsection and section 128(b) for a fiscal year, not more than 10 percent of the amount may be used by the local boards for the administrative costs of carrying out local workforce investment activities under this chapter or chapter 4.

"(B) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds made available for administrative costs under subparagraph (A) may be used for the administrative costs of any of the local workforce investment

| 1  | activities described in this chapter or chapter 4,     |
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| 2  | regardless of whether the funds were allocated         |
| 3  | under this subsection or section 128(b).";             |
| 4  | (3) in subsection (c)—                                 |
| 5  | (A) in paragraph (1), by striking "para-               |
| 6  | graph (2)(A) or (3) of";                               |
| 7  | (B) by amending paragraph (2) to read as               |
| 8  | follows:   |
| 9  | "(2) Amount.—The amount available for re-              |
| 10 | allocation for a program year is equal to the amount   |
| 11 | by which the unexpended balance at the end of the      |
| 12 | program year prior to the program year for which       |
| 13 | the determination is made exceeds 30 percent of the    |
| 14 | total amount of funds available to the local area      |
| 15 | under this section during such prior program year      |
| 16 | (including amounts allotted to the local area in prior |
| 17 | program years that remain available). For purposes     |
| 18 | of this paragraph, the unexpended balance is the       |
| 19 | amount that is the difference between—                 |
| 20 | "(A) the total amount of funds available to            |
| 21 | the local area under this section during the pro-      |
| 22 | gram year prior to the program year for which          |
| 23 | the determination is made (including amounts           |
| 24 | allocated to the local area in all prior program       |
| 25 | years that remained available); and                    |

| 1  | "(B) the accrued expenditures during such           |
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| 2  | prior program year.";                               |
| 3  | (C) by amending paragraph (3)—                      |
| 4  | (i) by striking "subsection (b)(3)" the             |
| 5  | first two places it appears and inserting           |
| 6  | "subsection (b)";                                   |
| 7  | (ii) by striking "the prior program                 |
| 8  | year" and inserting "the program year in            |
| 9  | which the determination is made";                   |
| 10 | (iii) by striking "such prior program               |
| 11 | year" and inserting "such program year";            |
| 12 | and   |
| 13 | (iv) by striking the last sentence; and             |
| 14 | (D) by amending paragraph (4) to read as            |
| 15 | follows:  |
| 16 | "(4) Eligibility.—For purposes of this sub-         |
| 17 | section, an eligible local area means a local area  |
| 18 | which does not have an amount available for re-     |
| 19 | allocation under paragraph (2) for the program year |
| 20 | for which the determination under paragraph (2) is  |
| 21 | made.".   |
| 22 | (e) Use of Funds for Employment and Train-          |
| 23 | ING ACTIVITIES.—                                    |

1 (1) STATEWIDE EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING 2 ACTIVITIES.—Section 134(a) (29 U.S.C. 2864(a)) is 3 amended to read as follows:

## "(1) IN GENERAL.—

"(A) Required use of funds.—Not less than 60 percent of the funds reserved by a Governor under section 133(a) shall be used to support one-stop delivery systems and the provision of work ready services, and, in addition, may be used to support the provision of discretionary one-step delivery services, in local areas, consistent with the local plan, through one-stop delivery systems by distributing funds to local areas in accordance with subparagraph (B). Such funds may be used by States to employ State personnel to provide such services in designated local areas in consultation with local boards.

"(B) METHOD OF DISTRIBUTING FUNDS.—The method of distributing funds under this paragraph shall be developed in consultation with the State board and local boards. Such method of distribution, which may include the formula established under section 121(h)(3), shall be objective and geographically

| 1  | equitable, and may include factors such as the         |
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| 2  | number of centers in the local area that have          |
| 3  | been certified, the population served by such          |
| 4  | centers, and the performance of such centers.          |
| 5  | "(C) Other use of funds.—Funds re-                     |
| 6  | served by a Governor for a State—                      |
| 7  | "(i) under section 133(a) and not                      |
| 8  | used under subparagraph (A), may be used               |
| 9  | for statewide activities described in para-            |
| 10 | graph (2); and   |
| 11 | "(ii) under section 133(a) and not                     |
| 12 | used under subparagraph (A), and under                 |
| 13 | section 128(a) may be used to carry out                |
| 14 | any of the statewide employment and                    |
| 15 | training activities described in paragraph             |
| 16 | (3).   |
| 17 | "(2) Statewide Rapid Response activi-                  |
| 18 | TIES.—A State shall carry out statewide rapid re-      |
| 19 | sponse activities using funds reserved as described in |
| 20 | section 133(a). Such activities shall include—         |
| 21 | "(A) provision of rapid response activities,           |
| 22 | carried out in local areas by the State or by an       |
| 23 | entity designated by the State, working in con-        |
| 24 | junction with the local boards and the chief           |
| 25 | elected officials in the local areas: and              |

"(B) provision of additional assistance to local areas that experience disasters, mass lav-offs or plant closings, or other events that pre-cipitate substantial increases in the number of unemployed individuals, carried out in local areas by the State, working in conjunction with the local boards and the chief elected officials in the local areas.

- "(3) STATEWIDE ACTIVITIES.—Funds reserved by a Governor for a State as described in sections 133(a) and 128(a) may be used for statewide activities including—
  - "(A) supporting the provision of work ready services described in section 134(c)(2) in the one-stop delivery system;

"(B) implementing innovative programs and strategies designed to meet the needs of all businesses in the State, including small businesses, which may include incumbent worker training programs, sectoral and industry cluster strategies and partnerships, including regional skills alliances, sectoral skills partnerships (in which representatives of multiple employers for a specific industry sector or group of related occupations, economic development agencies, pro-

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viders of training services described in subsection (c)(4), labor federations, and other entities that can provide needed supportive services tailored to the needs of workers in that sector or group, for a local area or region, identify gaps between the current and expected demand and supply of labor and skills in that sector or group for that area or region and develop a strategic skills gap action plan), career ladder programs, micro-enterprise and entrepreneurial training and support programs, utilization of effective business intermediaries, activities to improve linkages between the one-stop delivery system in the State and all employers (including small employers) in the State, and other business services and strategies that better engage employers in workforce investment activities and make the workforce investment system more relevant to the needs of State and local businesses, consistent with the objectives of this title:

> "(C) conducting evaluations under section 136(e) of activities authorized under this chapter and chapter 4 in coordination with evalua-

| 1  | tions carried out by the Secretary under section   |
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| 2  | 172, research, and demonstration projects;         |
| 3  | "(D) providing incentive grants to local           |
| 4  | areas for regional cooperation among local         |
| 5  | boards (including local boards in a designated     |
| 6  | region as described in section 116(c)), for local  |
| 7  | coordination of activities carried out under this  |
| 8  | Act, and for exemplary performance by local        |
| 9  | areas on the local performance measures;           |
| 10 | "(E) providing technical assistance and ca-        |
| 11 | pacity building to local areas, one-stop opera-    |
| 12 | tors, one-stop partners, and eligible providers,   |
| 13 | including the development and training of staff,   |
| 14 | the development of exemplary program activi-       |
| 15 | ties, and the provision of technical assistance to |
| 16 | local areas that fail to meet local performance    |
| 17 | measures;  |
| 18 | "(F) operating a fiscal and management             |
| 19 | accountability system under section 136(f);        |
| 20 | "(G) carrying out monitoring and over-             |
| 21 | sight of activities carried out under this chapter |
| 22 | and chapter 4;                                     |
| 23 | "(H) implementing innovative programs,             |
| 24 | such as incumbent worker training programs,        |
| 25 | programs and strategies designed to meet the       |

| 1  | needs of businesses in the State, including small      |
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| 2  | businesses, and engage employers in workforce          |
| 3  | activities, and programs serving individuals           |
| 4  | with disabilities consistent with section 188;         |
| 5  | "(I) developing strategies for effectively             |
| 6  | serving hard-to-serve populations and for inte-        |
| 7  | grating programs and services among one-stop           |
| 8  | partners; and  |
| 9  | "(J) carrying out activities to facilitate re-         |
| 10 | mote access to services provided through a one-        |
| 11 | stop delivery system, including facilitating ac-       |
| 12 | cess through the use of technology.                    |
| 13 | "(4) Limitation.—Not more than 5 percent of            |
| 14 | the funds allotted under section 132(b) shall be used  |
| 15 | by the State for administrative activities carried out |
| 16 | under this subsection and section 128(a).".            |
| 17 | (2) Local employment and training ac-                  |
| 18 | TIVITIES.—Section 134(b) (29 U.S.C. 2864(b)) is        |
| 19 | amended—   |
| 20 | (A) by striking "under paragraph (2)(A)"               |
| 21 | and all that follows through "section                  |
| 22 | 133(b)(2)(B)" and inserting "under section             |
| 23 | 133(b)"; and   |

| 1  | (B) in paragraphs (1) and (2), by striking          |
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| 2  | "or dislocated workers, respectively" and insert-   |
| 3  | ing "and dislocated workers".                       |
| 4  | (3) Conforming amendment.—Section 134               |
| 5  | (29 U.S.C. 2864) is further amended—                |
| 6  | (A) by striking subsection (c); and                 |
| 7  | (B) by redesignating subsections (d) and            |
| 8  | (e) as subsections (c) and (d), respectively.       |
| 9  | (4) REQUIRED LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND                   |
| 10 | TRAINING ACTIVITIES.—                               |
| 11 | (A) Allocated funds.—Section                        |
| 12 | 134(c)(1) (29 U.S.C. 2864(c)(1)) (as so redes-      |
| 13 | ignated) is amended to read as follows:             |
| 14 | "(1) In general.—Funds allocated to a local         |
| 15 | area for adults under section 133(b) shall be used— |
| 16 | "(A) to establish a one-stop delivery sys-          |
| 17 | tem as described in section 121(e);                 |
| 18 | "(B) to provide the work ready services de-         |
| 19 | scribed in paragraph (2) through the one-stop       |
| 20 | delivery system in accordance with such para-       |
| 21 | graph;  |
| 22 | "(C) to provide training services described         |
| 23 | in paragraph (4) to adults described in such        |
| 24 | paragraph; and                                      |

| 1  | "(D) to designate a dedicated business liai-      |
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| 2  | son in the local area who may be funded with      |
| 3  | funds provided under this title or from other     |
| 4  | sources to establish and develop relationships    |
| 5  | and networks with large and small employers       |
| 6  | and their intermediaries.".                       |
| 7  | (B) Work Ready Services.—Section                  |
| 8  | 134(c)(2) (29 U.S.C. $2864(c)(2)$ ) (as so redes- |
| 9  | ignated) is amended—                              |
| 10 | (i) in the heading, by striking "CORE             |
| 11 | SERVICES" and inserting "WORK READY               |
| 12 | SERVICES";  |
| 13 | (ii) by striking "core services" and in-          |
| 14 | serting "work ready services";                    |
| 15 | (iii) by striking "who are adults or              |
| 16 | dislocated workers";                              |
| 17 | (iv) in subparagraph (A), by inserting            |
| 18 | "and assistance in obtaining eligibility de-      |
| 19 | terminations under the other one-stop             |
| 20 | partner programs through such activities          |
| 21 | as assisting in the submission of applica-        |
| 22 | tions, the provision of information on the        |
| 23 | results of such applications, the provision       |
| 24 | of intake services and information, and,          |
| 25 | where appropriate and consistent with the         |

| authorizing statute of the one-stop partner   |
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| program, determinations of eligibility        |
| 3 after "subtitle";                           |
| 4 (v) by amending subparagraph (D) to         |
| 5 read as follows:                            |
| 6 "(D) labor exchange services, including—    |
| 7 "(i) job search and placement assist        |
| 8 ance, and where appropriate career coun     |
| 9 seling;                                     |
| 0 "(ii) appropriate recruitment services      |
| for employers, including small employers      |
| 2 in the local area, which may include serv   |
| ices described in this subsection, including  |
| 4 information and referral to specialized     |
| 5 business services not traditionally offered |
| through the one-stop delivery system; and     |
| 7 "(iii) reemployment services provided       |
| 8 to unemployment claimants, including        |
| 9 claimants identified as in need of such     |
| o services under the worker profiling system  |
| 1 established under section 303(j) of the So  |
| 2 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 503(j);";      |
| 3 (vi) in subparagraph (E), by striking       |
| 4 "employment statistics" and inserting       |
| 5 "workforce and labor market information"    |

| 1  | (vii) in subparagraph (I), by inserting           |
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| 2  | "and the administration of the work test          |
| 3  | for the unemployment compensation sys-            |
| 4  | tem" after "compensation";                        |
| 5  | (viii) by amending subparagraph (J)               |
| 6  | to read as follows:                               |
| 7  | "(J) assistance in establishing eligibility       |
| 8  | for programs of financial aid assistance for      |
| 9  | training and education programs that are not      |
| 10 | funded under this Act and are available in the    |
| 11 | local area; and"; and                             |
| 12 | (ix) by redesignating subparagraph                |
| 13 | (K) as subparagraph (V); and                      |
| 14 | (x) by inserting the following new sub-           |
| 15 | paragraphs after subparagraph (J):                |
| 16 | "(K) the provision of information from of-        |
| 17 | ficial publications of the Internal Revenue Serv- |
| 18 | ice, regarding Federal tax credits available to   |
| 19 | individuals relating to education, job training   |
| 20 | and employment, including the Hope Scholar-       |
| 21 | ship Credit and the Lifetime Learning Credit      |
| 22 | (26 U.S.C. 25A), and the Earned Income Tax        |
| 23 | Credit (26 U.S.C. 32);                            |
| 24 | "(L) services relating to the Work Oppor-         |
| 25 | tunity Tax Credit (26 U.S.C. 51);                 |

| 1  | "(M) comprehensive and specialized assess-          |
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| 2  | ments of the skill levels and service needs of      |
| 3  | adults and dislocated workers, which may in-        |
| 4  | clude—  |
| 5  | "(i) diagnostic testing and use of                  |
| 6  | other assessment tools; and                         |
| 7  | "(ii) in-depth interviewing and evalua-             |
| 8  | tion to identify employment barriers and            |
| 9  | appropriate employment goals;                       |
| 10 | "(N) development of an individual employ-           |
| 11 | ment plan, to identify the employment goals,        |
| 12 | appropriate achievement objectives, and appro-      |
| 13 | priate combination of services for the participa-   |
| 14 | tion to achieve the employment goals;               |
| 15 | "(O) group counseling;                              |
| 16 | "(P) individual counseling and career plan-         |
| 17 | ning;   |
| 18 | "(Q) case management;                               |
| 19 | "(R) short-term pre-vocational services, in-        |
| 20 | cluding development of learning skills, commu-      |
| 21 | nications skills, interviewing skills, punctuality, |
| 22 | personal maintenance skills, and professional       |
| 23 | conduct, to prepare individuals for unsubsidized    |
| 24 | employment or training;                             |
| 25 | "(S) internships and work experience;               |

| 1  | "(T) literacy activities relating to basic            |
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| 2  | work readiness, information and communication         |
| 3  | technology literacy activities, and financial lit-    |
| 4  | eracy activities, if such activities are not avail-   |
| 5  | able to participants in the local area under pro-     |
| 6  | grams administered under the Adult Education          |
| 7  | and Family Literacy Act (20 U.S.C. 2901 et            |
| 8  | seq.);  |
| 9  | "(U) out-of-area job search assistance and            |
| 10 | relocation assistance; and".                          |
| 11 | (C) Delivery of Services.—Section                     |
| 12 | 134(c)(3) (29 U.S.C. $2864(c)(3)$ ) (as so redes-     |
| 13 | ignated) is amended to read as follows:               |
| 14 | "(3) Delivery of Services.—The work ready             |
| 15 | services described in section 132(c)(2) shall be pro- |
| 16 | vided through the one-stop delivery system and may    |
| 17 | be provided through contracts with public, private    |
| 18 | for-profit, and private nonprofit service providers,  |
| 19 | approved by the local board.".                        |
| 20 | (D) Training services.—Section                        |
| 21 | 134(c)(4) (29 U.S.C. 2864(c)(4)) (as so redes-        |
| 22 | ignated) is amended—                                  |
| 23 | (i) by amending subparagraph (A) to                   |
| 24 | read as follows:                                      |

| 1  | "(A) In general.—Funds allocated to a            |
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| 2  | local area under section 133(b) shall be used to |
| 3  | provide training services to adults who—         |
| 4  | "(i) after an interview, evaluation, or          |
| 5  | assessment, and case management, have            |
| 6  | been determined by a one-stop operator or        |
| 7  | one-stop partner, as appropriate, to—            |
| 8  | "(I) be in need of training serv-                |
| 9  | ices to obtain or retain suitable em-            |
| 10 | ployment; and                                    |
| 11 | $``(\Pi)$ have the skills and quali-             |
| 12 | fications to successfully participate in         |
| 13 | the selected program of training serv-           |
| 14 | ices;  |
| 15 | "(ii) select programs of training serv-          |
| 16 | ices that are directly linked to the employ-     |
| 17 | ment opportunities in the local area in-         |
| 18 | volved or in another area in which the           |
| 19 | adults receiving such services are willing to    |
| 20 | commute or relocate;                             |
| 21 | "(iii) who meet the requirements of              |
| 22 | subparagraph (B); and                            |
| 23 | "(iv) who are determined eligible in             |
| 24 | accordance with the priority system in ef-       |
| 25 | fect under subparagraph (E).";                   |

| 1  | (ii) in subparagraph (B)(i), by strik-       |
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| 2  | ing "Except" and inserting "Notwith-         |
| 3  | standing section 479B of the Higher Edu-     |
| 4  | cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087uu)        |
| 5  | and except";                                 |
| 6  | (iii) by amending subparagraph (D) to        |
| 7  | read as follows:                             |
| 8  | "(D) Training services.—Training serv-       |
| 9  | ices authorized under this paragraph may in- |
| 10 | clude—                                       |
| 11 | "(i) occupational skills training;           |
| 12 | "(ii) on-the-job training;                   |
| 13 | "(iii) skill upgrading and retraining;       |
| 14 | "(iv) entrepreneurial training;              |
| 15 | "(v) education activities leading to a       |
| 16 | high school diploma or its equivalent, in-   |
| 17 | cluding a General Educational Develop-       |
| 18 | ment credential, in combination with, con-   |
| 19 | currently or subsequently, occupational      |
| 20 | skills training;                             |
| 21 | "(vi) adult education and literacy ac-       |
| 22 | tivities provided in conjunction with other  |
| 23 | training authorized under this subpara-      |
| 24 | graph;                                       |

| 1  | "(vii) workplace training combined            |
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| 2  | with related instruction; and                 |
| 3  | "(viii) occupational skills training that     |
| 4  | incorporates English language acquisi-        |
| 5  | tion.";                                       |
| 6  | (iv) by amending subparagraph (E) to          |
| 7  | read as follows:                              |
| 8  | "(E) Priority.—                               |
| 9  | "(i) IN GENERAL.—A priority shall be          |
| 10 | given to unemployed individuals and em-       |
| 11 | ployed workers who need training services     |
| 12 | to retain employment or to advance in a       |
| 13 | career for the provision of intensive and     |
| 14 | training services under this subsection.      |
| 15 | "(ii) Determinations.—The Gov-                |
| 16 | ernor and the appropriate local board shall   |
| 17 | direct the one-stop operators in the local    |
| 18 | area with regard to making determinations     |
| 19 | with respect to the priority of service under |
| 20 | this subparagraph.";                          |
| 21 | (v) in subparagraph (F)—                      |
| 22 | (I) in clause (ii)—                           |
| 23 | (aa) in the matter preceding                  |
| 24 | clause (I), by striking "sub-                 |

| 1  | section (c)" and inserting "sec-             |
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| 2  | tion 121"; and                               |
| 3  | (bb) in clause (II), by strik-               |
| 4  | ing "subsections (e) and (h)" and            |
| 5  | inserting "subsection (i)"; and              |
| 6  | (II) by striking clause (iii) and            |
| 7  | inserting the following:                     |
| 8  | "(iii) Career enhancement ac-                |
| 9  | COUNTS.—An individual who seeks train-       |
| 10 | ing services and who is eligible pursuant to |
| 11 | subparagraph (A), may, in consultation       |
| 12 | with a case manager, select an eligible pro- |
| 13 | vider of training services from the list or  |
| 14 | identifying information for providers de-    |
| 15 | scribed in clause (ii)(I). Upon such selec-  |
| 16 | tion, the one-stop operator involved shall,  |
| 17 | to the extent practicable, refer such indi-  |
| 18 | vidual to the eligible provider of training  |
| 19 | services, and arrange for payment for such   |
| 20 | services through a career enhancement ac-    |
| 21 | count.                                       |
| 22 | "(iv) Coordination.—Each local               |
| 23 | board may, through one-stop centers, co-     |
| 24 | ordinate career enhancement accounts with    |
| 25 | other Federal, State, local, or private job  |

| 1  | training programs or sources to assist the   |
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| 2  | individual in obtaining training services.   |
| 3  | "(v) Enhanced career enhance-                |
| 4  | MENT ACCOUNTS.—Each local board may,         |
| 5  | through one-stop centers, assist individuals |
| 6  | receiving career enhancement accounts        |
| 7  | through the establishment of such accounts   |
| 8  | that include, in addition to the funds pro-  |
| 9  | vided under this paragraph, funds from       |
| 10 | other programs and sources that will assist  |
| 11 | the individual in obtaining training serv-   |
| 12 | ices."; and                                  |
| 13 | (vi) in subparagraph (G)—                    |
| 14 | (I) in the subparagraph heading,             |
| 15 | by striking "Individual training             |
| 16 | ACCOUNTS" and inserting "CAREER              |
| 17 | ENHANCEMENT ACCOUNTS";                       |
| 18 | (II) in clause (i) by striking "in-          |
| 19 | dividual training accounts" and in-          |
| 20 | serting "career enhancement ac-              |
| 21 | counts";                                     |
| 22 | (III) in clause (ii)—                        |
| 23 | (aa) by striking "an indi-                   |
| 24 | vidual training account" and in-             |

| 1  | serting "a career enhancement           |
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| 2  | account";                               |
| 3  | (bb) in subclause (II), by              |
| 4  | striking "individual training ac-       |
| 5  | counts" and inserting "career en-       |
| 6  | hancement accounts";                    |
| 7  | (cc) in subclause (II) by               |
| 8  | striking "or" after the semicolon;      |
| 9  | (dd) in subclause (III) by              |
| 10 | striking the period and inserting       |
| 11 | "; or"; and                             |
| 12 | (ee) by adding at the end of            |
| 13 | the following:                          |
| 14 | "(IV) the local board determines        |
| 15 | that it would be most appropriate to    |
| 16 | award a contract to an institution of   |
| 17 | higher education in order to facilitate |
| 18 | the training of multiple individuals in |
| 19 | high-demand occupations, if such con-   |
| 20 | tract does not limit customer choice.". |
| 21 | (IV) in clause (iv)—                    |
| 22 | (aa) by redesignating sub-              |
| 23 | clause (IV) as subclause (V) and        |
| 24 | inserting after subclause (III) the     |
| 25 | following:                              |

| 1  | "(IV) Individuals with disabil-                    |
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| 2  | ities.".   |
| 3  | (5) Permissible activities.—Section 134(d)         |
| 4  | (as so redesignated) (29 U.S.C. 2864(d)) is amend- |
| 5  | ed—  |
| 6  | (A) by amending paragraph (1) to read as           |
| 7  | follows:   |
| 8  | "(1) Discretionary one-stop delivery ac-           |
| 9  | TIVITIES.—   |
| 10 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—Funds allocated to a              |
| 11 | local area under section 133(b) may be used to     |
| 12 | provide, through the one-stop delivery system—     |
| 13 | "(i) customized screening and referral             |
| 14 | of qualified participants in training serv-        |
| 15 | ices to employers;                                 |
| 16 | "(ii) customized employment-related                |
| 17 | services to employers on a fee-for-service         |
| 18 | basis;   |
| 19 | "(iii) customer support to navigate                |
| 20 | among multiple services and activities for         |
| 21 | special participant populations that face          |
| 22 | multiple barriers to employment, including         |
| 23 | individuals with disabilities;                     |
| 24 | "(iv) employment and training assist-              |
| 25 | ance provided in coordination with child           |

| 1  | support enforcement activities of the State  |
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| 2  | agency carrying out subtitle D of title IV   |
| 3  | of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 651    |
| 4  | et seq.);                                    |
| 5  | "(v) activities to improve services to       |
| 6  | local employers, including small employers   |
| 7  | in the local area, and increase linkages be- |
| 8  | tween the local workforce investment sys-    |
| 9  | tem and employers;                           |
| 10 | "(vi) activities to facilitate remote ac-    |
| 11 | cess to services provided through a one-     |
| 12 | stop delivery system, including facilitating |
| 13 | access through the use of technology; and    |
| 14 | "(vii) activities to carry out business      |
| 15 | services and strategies that meet the work-  |
| 16 | force investment needs of local area em-     |
| 17 | ployers, as determined by the local board,   |
| 18 | consistent with the local plan under section |
| 19 | 118, which services—                         |
| 20 | "(I) may be provided through ef-             |
| 21 | fective business intermediaries work-        |
| 22 | ing in conjunction with the local            |
| 23 | board, and may also be provided on a         |
| 24 | fee-for-service basis or through the         |
| 25 | leveraging of economic development           |

| 1  | and other resources as determined ap- |
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| 2  | propriate by the local board; and     |
| 3  | "(II) may include—                    |
| 4  | "(aa) identifying and dis-            |
| 5  | seminating to business, edu-          |
| 6  | cators, and job seekers, informa-     |
| 7  | tion related to the workforce, eco-   |
| 8  | nomic and community develop-          |
| 9  | ment needs, and opportunities of      |
| 10 | the local economy;                    |
| 11 | "(bb) development and deliv-          |
| 12 | ery of innovative workforce in-       |
| 13 | vestment services and strategies      |
| 14 | for area businesses, which may        |
| 15 | include sectoral, industry cluster,   |
| 16 | regional skills alliances, career     |
| 17 | ladder, skills upgrading, skill       |
| 18 | standard development and certifi-     |
| 19 | cation, apprenticeship, and other     |
| 20 | effective initiatives for meeting     |
| 21 | the workforce investment needs        |
| 22 | of area employers and workers;        |
| 23 | "(ce) participation in semi-          |
| 24 | nars and classes offered in part-     |
| 25 | nership with relevant organiza-       |

| 1  | tions focusing on the workforce-   |
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| 2  | related needs of area employers    |
| 3  | and job seekers;                   |
| 4  | "(dd) training consulting,         |
| 5  | needs analysis, and brokering      |
| 6  | services for area businesses, in-  |
| 7  | cluding the organization and ag-   |
| 8  | gregation of training (which may   |
| 9  | be paid for with funds other than  |
| 10 | those provided under this title),  |
| 11 | for individual employers and coa-  |
| 12 | litions of employers with similar  |
| 13 | interests, products, or workforce  |
| 14 | needs;                             |
| 15 | "(ee) assistance to area em-       |
| 16 | ployers in the aversion of layoffs |
| 17 | and in managing reductions in      |
| 18 | force in coordination with rapid   |
| 19 | response activities;               |
| 20 | "(ff) the marketing of busi-       |
| 21 | ness services offered under this   |
| 22 | title, to appropriate area employ- |
| 23 | ers, including small and mid-      |
| 24 | sized employers;                   |

| 1  | "(gg) information referral                  |
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| 2  | on concerns affecting local em-             |
| 3  | ployers; and                                |
| 4  | "(hh) other business services               |
| 5  | and strategies designed to better           |
| 6  | engage employers in workforce               |
| 7  | investment activities and to make           |
| 8  | the workforce investment system             |
| 9  | more relevant to the workforce              |
| 10 | investment needs of area busi-              |
| 11 | nesses, as determined by the local          |
| 12 | board to be consistent with the             |
| 13 | objectives of this title.                   |
| 14 | "(B) Work support activities for            |
| 15 | LOW-WAGE WORKERS.—                          |
| 16 | "(i) In general.—Funds allocated to         |
| 17 | a local area under 133(b) may be used to    |
| 18 | provide, through the one-stop delivery sys- |
| 19 | tem and in collaboration with the appro-    |
| 20 | priate programs and resources of the one-   |
| 21 | stop partners, work support activities de-  |
| 22 | signed to assist low-wage workers in re-    |
| 23 | taining and enhancing employment. The       |
| 24 | one stop partners shall coordinate the ap-  |
| 25 | propriate programs and resources of the     |

| 1  | partners with the activities and resources       |
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| 2  | provided under this subparagraph.                |
| 3  | "(ii) Activities.—The activities de-             |
| 4  | scribed in clause (i) may include assistance     |
| 5  | in accessing financial supports for which        |
| 6  | such workers may be eligible and the provi-      |
| 7  | sion of activities available through the one-    |
| 8  | stop delivery system in a manner that en-        |
| 9  | hances the opportunities of such workers         |
| 10 | to participate, such as the provision of em-     |
| 11 | ployment and training activities during          |
| 12 | nontraditional hours and the provision of        |
| 13 | on-site child care while such activities are     |
| 14 | being provided.";                                |
| 15 | (B) in subparagraph 3(A), by striking            |
| 16 | "Funds allocated" and all that follows through   |
| 17 | "section 133(b)(2)(B)" and insert "Funds allo-   |
| 18 | cated to a local area under section 133(b)"; and |
| 19 | (C) by adding at the end the following:          |
| 20 | "(4) Incumbent worker training pro-              |
| 21 | GRAMS.—  |
| 22 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—The local board may             |
| 23 | use up to 10 percent of the funds allocated to   |
| 24 | a local area under section 133(b) to carry out   |

| 1  | incumbent worker training programs in accord-    |
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| 2  | ance with this paragraph.                        |
| 3  | "(B) Training activities.—The training           |
| 4  | programs for incumbent workers under this        |
| 5  | paragraph shall be carried out by the local area |
| 6  | in conjunction with the employers of such work-  |
| 7  | ers for the purpose of assisting such workers in |
| 8  | obtaining the skills necessary to retain employ- |
| 9  | ment and avert layoffs.                          |
| 10 | "(C) Employer match required.—                   |
| 11 | "(i) In general.—Employers partici-              |
| 12 | pating in programs under this paragraph          |
| 13 | shall be required to pay a proportion of the     |
| 14 | costs of providing the training to the in-       |
| 15 | cumbent workers of the employers. The            |
| 16 | State board, in consultation with the local      |
| 17 | board as appropriate, shall establish the        |
| 18 | required portion of such costs, which may        |
| 19 | include in-kind contributions. The required      |
| 20 | portion shall not be less than—                  |
| 21 | "(I) 10 percent of the costs, for                |
| 22 | employers with 50 or fewer employees;            |
| 23 | "(II) 25 percent of the costs, for               |
| 24 | employers with more than 50 employ-              |

| 1  | ees but fewer than 100 employees;                          |
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| 2  | and  |
| 3  | "(III) 50 percent of the costs, for                        |
| 4  | employers with 100 or more employ-                         |
| 5  | ees.   |
| 6  | "(ii) CALCULATION OF MATCH.—The                            |
| 7  | wages paid by an employer to a worker                      |
| 8  | while they are attending training may be                   |
| 9  | included as part of the requirement pay-                   |
| 10 | ment of the employer.".                                    |
| 11 | (6) Priority for placement in private                      |
| 12 | SECTOR JOBS.—Section 134 (29 U.S.C. 2864) is               |
| 13 | further amended by adding at the end the following:        |
| 14 | "(e) Priority for Placement in Private Sector              |
| 15 | Jobs.—In providing employment and training activities      |
| 16 | authorized under this section, the State and local board   |
| 17 | shall give priority to placing participants in jobs in the |
| 18 | private sector.".  |
| 19 | SEC. 113. PERFORMANCE ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM.               |
| 20 | (a) State Performance Measures.—                           |
| 21 | (1) In General.—Section 136(b)(1) (29                      |
| 22 | U.S.C. 2871(b)(1)) is amended—                             |
| 23 | (A) in subparagraph (A)(i), by striking                    |
| 24 | "and the customer satisfaction indicator of per-           |
| 25 | formance described in paragraph (2)(B)"; and               |

| 1  | (B) in subparagraph (A)(ii), by striking      |
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| 2  | "paragraph (2)(C)" and inserting "paragraph   |
| 3  | (2)(B)".                                      |
| 4  | (2) Indicators of Performance.—Section        |
| 5  | 136(b)(2) (29 U.S.C. 2871(b)(2)) is amended—  |
| 6  | (A) in subparagraph (A)(i)—                   |
| 7  | (i) by striking "(except for self-service     |
| 8  | and information activities) and (for partici- |
| 9  | pants who are eligible youth age 19           |
| 10 | through 21) for youth activities authorized   |
| 11 | under section 129";                           |
| 12 | (ii) in subclause (II), by striking "6        |
| 13 | months after entry into the employment"       |
| 14 | and inserting "and" after the semicolon;      |
| 15 | and   |
| 16 | (iii) by striking subclause (III), and        |
| 17 | inserting the following:                      |
| 18 | "(III) average earnings from un-              |
| 19 | subsidized employment.";                      |
| 20 | (B) by striking subclause (IV) of subpara-    |
| 21 | graph (A)(i);                                 |
| 22 | (C) by amending subparagraph (A)(ii) to       |
| 23 | read as follows:                              |
| 24 | "(ii) Core indicators for eligible            |
| 25 | YOUTH.—The core indicators of perform-        |

| 1  | ance for youth activities authorized under          |
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| 2  | section 129 shall consist of—                       |
| 3  | "(I) entry into employment, edu-                    |
| 4  | cation or advanced training, or mili-               |
| 5  | tary service;                                       |
| 6  | "(II) attainment of secondary                       |
| 7  | school diploma, General Educational                 |
| 8  | Development credential (GED), or                    |
| 9  | other State-recognized equivalent or                |
| 10 | certificate (including recognized alter-            |
| 11 | native standards for individuals with               |
| 12 | disabilities); and                                  |
| 13 | "(III) literacy or numeracy                         |
| 14 | gains.";  |
| 15 | (D) by striking subparagraph (B); and               |
| 16 | (E) by redesignating subparagraph (C) as            |
| 17 | subparagraph (B), and by adding at the end of       |
| 18 | such subparagraph the following new sentence:       |
| 19 | "Such indicators may include customer satisfac-     |
| 20 | tion of employers and participants with services    |
| 21 | received from the workforce investment activi-      |
| 22 | ties authorized under this subtitle.".              |
| 23 | (3) Levels of Performance.—Section                  |
| 24 | 136(b)(3)(A) (29 U.S.C. $2871(b)(3)(A)$ ) is amend- |
| 25 | $\operatorname{ed}$ —                               |

| 1  | (A) in clause (i), by striking "and the cus-     |
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| 2  | tomer satisfaction indicator described in para-  |
| 3  | graph (2)(B)";                                   |
| 4  | (B) in clause (ii), by striking "and the cus-    |
| 5  | tomer satisfaction indicator of performance, for |
| 6  | the first 3" and inserting "for the 2";          |
| 7  | (C) in clause (iii)—                             |
| 8  | (i) in the heading, by striking "FOR             |
| 9  | FIRST 3 YEARS"; and                              |
| 10 | (ii) by striking "and the customer sat-          |
| 11 | isfaction indicator of performance, for the      |
| 12 | first 3" and inserting "for the 2";              |
| 13 | (D) in clause (iv)—                              |
| 14 | (i) by striking subclause (I);                   |
| 15 | (ii) by redesignating subclauses (II)            |
| 16 | and (III) as subclauses (I) and (II), re-        |
| 17 | spectively; and                                  |
| 18 | (iii) in subclause (I) (as so redesig-           |
| 19 | nated)—  |
| 20 | (I) by striking "taking into ac-                 |
| 21 | count" and inserting "which shall be             |
| 22 | adjusted based on";                              |
| 23 | (II) by inserting ", such as un-                 |
| 24 | employment rates and job losses or               |

| 1  | gains in particular industries" after              |
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| 2  | "economic conditions"; and                         |
| 3  | (III) by inserting ", such as indi-                |
| 4  | cators of poor work history, lack of               |
| 5  | work experience, dislocation from                  |
| 6  | high-wage employment, low levels of                |
| 7  | literacy or English proficiency, dis-              |
| 8  | ability status, including the number of            |
| 9  | veterans with disabilities, and welfare            |
| 10 | dependency" after "program";                       |
| 11 | (E) by striking clause (v) and redesig-            |
| 12 | nating clause (vi) as clause (v); and              |
| 13 | (F) in clause (vi) (as so redesignated)—           |
| 14 | (i) by striking "clause (iv)(II)" and              |
| 15 | inserting "subclause (iv)(I)"; and                 |
| 16 | (ii) striking "or (v)".                            |
| 17 | (4) Additional indicators.—Section                 |
| 18 | 136(b)(3)(B) is amended by striking "paragraph     |
| 19 | (2)(C)" and inserting "paragraph (2)(B)".          |
| 20 | (b) Local Performance Measures.—Section            |
| 21 | 136(c) (29 U.S.C. 2871(c)) is amended—             |
| 22 | (1) in paragraph (1)(A)(i), by striking ", and     |
| 23 | the customer satisfaction indicator of performance |
| 24 | described in subsection (b)(2)(B),";               |

| 1  | (2) in paragraph $(1)(A)(ii)$ , by striking "sub-       |
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| 2  | section (b)(2)(C)" and inserting "subsection            |
| 3  | (b)(2)(B)"; and   |
| 4  | (3) by amending paragraph (3) to read as fol-           |
| 5  | lows:   |
| 6  | "(3) Determinations.—In determining such                |
| 7  | local levels of performance, the local board, the chief |
| 8  | elected official, and the Governor shall ensure such    |
| 9  | levels are adjusted based on the specific economic      |
| 10 | characteristics (such as unemployment rates and job     |
| 11 | losses or gains in particular industries), demographic  |
| 12 | characteristics, or other characteristics of the popu-  |
| 13 | lation to be served in the local area, such as poor     |
| 14 | work history, lack of work experience, dislocation      |
| 15 | from high-wage employment, low levels of literacy or    |
| 16 | English proficiency, disability status, including the   |
| 17 | number of veterans with disabilities, and welfare de-   |
| 18 | pendency.".   |
| 19 | (c) Report.—Section 136(d) (29 U.S.C. 2871(d)) is       |
| 20 | amended—  |
| 21 | (1) in paragraph (1), by striking "and the cus-         |
| 22 | tomer satisfaction indicator" in both places that it    |
| 23 | appears;  |
| 24 | (2) in paragraph (2)—                                   |

| 1  | (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking "sec-           |
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| 2  | tion 134(d)(4)" and inserting "section               |
| 3  | 134(c)(4)";  |
| 4  | (B) in subparagraph (E), by striking "(ex-           |
| 5  | cluding participants who received only self-serv-    |
| 6  | ice and informational activities); and" and in-      |
| 7  | serting a semicolon;                                 |
| 8  | (C) in subparagraph (F), by striking the             |
| 9  | period and inserting "; and"; and                    |
| 10 | (D) by adding at the end the following:              |
| 11 | "(G) the number of participants who have             |
| 12 | received services other than followup services,      |
| 13 | authorized under this title, in the form of work     |
| 14 | ready services described in section $134(c)(2)$ ,    |
| 15 | and training services described in section           |
| 16 | 134(c)(4), respectively;                             |
| 17 | "(H) the number of participants who have             |
| 18 | received followup services authorized under this     |
| 19 | title; and   |
| 20 | "(I) the cost per participant for services           |
| 21 | authorized under this title."; and                   |
| 22 | (3) by adding at the end the following:              |
| 23 | "(4) Data Validation.—In preparing the re-           |
| 24 | ports described in this subsection, the States shall |
| 25 | establish procedures, consistent with guidelines     |

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        issued by the Secretary, to ensure the information
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        contained in the report is valid and reliable.".
 3
        (d) SANCTIONS FOR STATE.—Section 136(g) (29)
    U.S.C. 2871(g)) is amended—
             (1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking "or (B)";
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 6
        and
 7
             (2) in paragraph (2), by striking "section 503"
        and inserting "section 136(i)".
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 9
        (e) Sanctions for Local Areas.—Section 136(h)
    (29 U.S.C. 2871(h)) is amended—
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11
             (1) in paragraph (1), by striking "or (B)"; and
12
             (2) by amending paragraph (2)(B) to read as
13
        follows:
14
                 "(B) APPEAL TO GOVERNOR.—A local area
15
             that is subject to a reorganization plan under
16
             subparagraph (A) may, not later than 30 days
17
             after receiving notice of the reorganization plan,
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             appeal to the Governor to rescind or revise such
19
             plan. In such case, the Governor shall make a
20
             final decision not later than 30 days after the
21
             receipt of the appeal.".
22
        (f) Incentive Grants.—Section 136(i) (29 U.S.C.
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   2871(i)) is amended to read as follows:
24
        "(i) INCENTIVE GRANTS FOR STATES AND LOCAL
25
   Areas.—
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| 1  | "(1) INCENTIVE GRANTS FOR STATES.—                 |
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| 2  | "(A) In General.—From funds appro-                 |
| 3  | priated under section 174, the Secretary may       |
| 4  | award incentive grants to States for exemplary     |
| 5  | performance in carrying programs under chap-       |
| 6  | ters 4 and 5 of this title. Such awards may be     |
| 7  | based on States meeting or exceeding the per-      |
| 8  | formance measures established under this sec-      |
| 9  | tion, on the performance of the State in serving   |
| 10 | special populations, including the levels of serv- |
| 11 | ice provided and the performance outcomes, and     |
| 12 | such other factors relating to the performance     |
| 13 | of the State under this title as the Secretary     |
| 14 | determines is appropriate.                         |
| 15 | "(B) Use of funds.—The funds awarded               |
| 16 | to a State under this paragraph may be used to     |
| 17 | carry out any activities authorized under chap-    |
| 18 | ters 4 and 5 of this title, including—             |
| 19 | "(i) activities that provide technical             |
| 20 | assistance to local areas to replicate best        |
| 21 | practices for workforce and education pro-         |
| 22 | grams;   |
| 23 | "(ii) activities that support the needs            |
| 24 | of businesses, especially for incumbent            |

| 1  | workers and enhancing opportunities for     |
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| 2  | retention and advancement;                  |
| 3  | "(iii) activities that support linkages     |
| 4  | between the workforce and education pro-    |
| 5  | grams, and secondary, post-secondary, or    |
| 6  | career and technical education programs,    |
| 7  | including activities under the Carl D. Per- |
| 8  | kins Career and Technical Education Act     |
| 9  | (20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.), the Adult Edu-    |
| 10 | cation and Family Literacy Act (20 U.S.C.   |
| 11 | 9201 et seq.), and the Rehabilitation Act   |
| 12 | of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 701 et seq.);            |
| 13 | "(iv) activities that support regional      |
| 14 | economic development plans that support     |
| 15 | high-wage, high-skill, or high-demand occu- |
| 16 | pations leading to self-sufficiency;        |
| 17 | "(v) activities that coordinate the         |
| 18 | workforce and education programs with       |
| 19 | other Federal and State programs related    |
| 20 | to the workforce and education programs;    |
| 21 | "(vi) activities that support the devel-    |
| 22 | opment of an integrated performance in-     |
| 23 | formation system that includes common       |
| 24 | measures for one-stop partner programs      |
| 25 | described in section 121;                   |

| 1  | "(vii) activities that support activities         |
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| 2  | to improve performance in workforce and           |
| 3  | education programs and program coordina-          |
| 4  | tion of workforce and education programs;         |
| 5  | or  |
| 6  | "(viii) activities that leverage addi-            |
| 7  | tional training resources, other than those       |
| 8  | provided through workforce and education          |
| 9  | programs, for adults and youth.                   |
| 10 | "(2) Incentive grants for local areas.—           |
| 11 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—From funds reserved              |
| 12 | under sections 128(a) and 133(a), the Governor    |
| 13 | may award incentive grants to local areas for     |
| 14 | exemplary performance with respect to the         |
| 15 | measures established under this section and       |
| 16 | with the performance of the local area in serv-   |
| 17 | ing special populations, including the levels of  |
| 18 | service and the performance outcomes.             |
| 19 | "(B) Use of funds.—The funds awarded              |
| 20 | to a local area may be used to carry out activi-  |
| 21 | ties authorized for local areas under chapters 4  |
| 22 | and 5 of this title, the Adult Education and      |
| 23 | Family Literacy Act, and the Rehabilitation Act   |
| 24 | of 1973 (referred to in this subsection as 'work- |

force and education programs'), and such inno-

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| 1  | vative projects or programs that increase co-  |
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| 2  | ordination and enhance service to participants |
| 3  | in such programs, particularly hard-to-serve   |
| 4  | populations, as may be approved by the Gov-    |
| 5  | ernor, including—                              |
| 6  | "(i) activities that support the needs         |
| 7  | of businesses, especially for incumbent        |
| 8  | workers and enhancing opportunities for        |
| 9  | retention and advancement;                     |
| 10 | "(ii) activities that support linkages         |
| 11 | between the workforce and education pro-       |
| 12 | grams, and secondary, post-secondary, or       |
| 13 | career and technical education programs,       |
| 14 | including activities under the Carl D. Per-    |
| 15 | kins Career and Technical Education Act        |
| 16 | (20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.), the Adult Edu-       |
| 17 | cation and Family Literacy Act (20 U.S.C.      |
| 18 | 9201 et seq.), and the Rehabilitation Act      |
| 19 | of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 701 et seq.);               |
| 20 | "(iii) activities that support regional        |
| 21 | economic development plans that support        |
| 22 | high-wage, high-skill, or high-demand occu-    |
| 23 | pations leading to self-sufficiency;           |
| 24 | "(iv) activities that coordinate the           |
| 25 | workforce and education programs with          |

| 1  | other Federal and State programs related                    |
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| 2  | to the workforce and education programs                     |
| 3  | "(v) activities that support the devel-                     |
| 4  | opment of an integrated performance in-                     |
| 5  | formation system that includes common                       |
| 6  | measures for one-stop partner programs                      |
| 7  | described in section 121;                                   |
| 8  | "(vi) activities that support activities                    |
| 9  | to improve performance in workforce and                     |
| 10 | education programs and program coordina-                    |
| 11 | tion of workforce and education programs                    |
| 12 | or  |
| 13 | "(vii) activities that leverage addi-                       |
| 14 | tional training resources, other than those                 |
| 15 | provided through workforce and education                    |
| 16 | programs, for adults and youth.".                           |
| 17 | (g) Use of Core Indicators for Other Pro-                   |
| 18 | GRAMS.—Section 136 (29 U.S.C. 2871) is further amend-       |
| 19 | ed by adding at the end the following subsection:           |
| 20 | "(j) Use of Core Indicators for Other Pro-                  |
| 21 | GRAMS.—In addition to the programs carried out under        |
| 22 | chapters 4 and 5, and consistent with the requirements      |
| 23 | of the applicable authorizing laws, the Secretary shall use |
| 24 | the core indicators of performance described in subsection  |
| 25 | (b)(2)(A) to assess the effectiveness of the programs de-   |

- 1 scribed under section 121(b)(1)(B) that are carried out
- 2 by the Secretary.".
- 3 (h) Repeal of Definitions.—Sections 502 and
- 4 503 (and the items related to such sections in the table
- 5 of contents) are repealed.

## 6 SEC. 114. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

- 7 (a) YOUTH ACTIVITIES.—Section 137(a) (29 U.S.C.
- 8 2872(a)) is amended by striking "such sums as may be
- 9 necessary for each of fiscal years 1999 through 2003" and
- 10 inserting "such sums as may be necessary for each of fis-
- 11 cal year 2011 through 2015".
- 12 (b) Adult Employment and Training Activi-
- 13 TIES.—Section 137(b) (29 U.S.C. 2872(b)) is amended by
- 14 striking "section 132(a)(1), such sums as may be nec-
- 15 essary for each of fiscal years 1999 through 2003" and
- 16 inserting "section 132(a), such sums as may be necessary
- 17 for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2015".
- 18 (c) DISLOCATED WORKER EMPLOYMENT AND
- 19 Training Activities.—Section 137 is further amended
- 20 by striking subsection (c).
- 21 SEC. 115. JOB CORPS.
- 22 (a) Job Corps Centers.—Section 147(a)(1)(A) (29
- 23 U.S.C. 2887 (a)(1)(A)) is amended—
- 24 (1) by striking "vocational education" and in-
- 25 serting "career and technical education"; and

| 1  | (2) by striking "vocational school" and insert-         |
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| 2  | ing "career and technical school".                      |
| 3  | (b) Program Activities.—Section 148 (29 U.S.C.          |
| 4  | 2888) is amended—                                       |
| 5  | (1) in subsection (a)—                                  |
| 6  | (A) by striking paragraph (1) and insert-               |
| 7  | ing the following:                                      |
| 8  | "(1) IN GENERAL.—Each Job Corps center                  |
| 9  | shall provide enrollees with an intensive, well orga-   |
| 10 | nized, and fully supervised program of education, ca-   |
| 11 | reer training, work experience, recreational activities |
| 12 | physical rehabilitation and development, and coun-      |
| 13 | seling. Each Job Corps center shall provide enrollees   |
| 14 | assigned to the center with access to work ready        |
| 15 | services described in section 134(c)(2)."; and          |
| 16 | (B) in subparagraph (2)(A), by striking                 |
| 17 | "vocational" and inserting "career"; and                |
| 18 | (2) in subsection (b)—                                  |
| 19 | (A) in the header, by striking "Voca-                   |
| 20 | TIONAL" and inserting "CAREER AND TECH-                 |
| 21 | NICAL";   |
| 22 | (B) by striking "vocational training" and               |
| 23 | inserting "career and technical training" and           |

| 1  | (C) by striking ", vocational educational             |
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| 2  | institutions, or technical institutes" and insert-    |
| 3  | ing "or career and technical institutions".           |
| 4  | (c) Industry Councils.—Section 154(b) (29             |
| 5  | U.S.C. 2894(b)) is amended—                           |
| 6  | (1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking "local and       |
| 7  | distant"; and   |
| 8  | (2) by adding after paragraph (2) the following:      |
| 9  | "(3) Employers outside of local areas.—               |
| 10 | The industry council may include, or otherwise pro-   |
| 11 | vide for consultation with, employers from outside    |
| 12 | the local area who are likely to hire a significant   |
| 13 | number of enrollees from the Job Corps center.        |
| 14 | "(4) Special rule for single local area               |
| 15 | STATES.—In the case of a single local area State      |
| 16 | designated under section 116(b), the industry coun-   |
| 17 | cil shall include a representative of the State       |
| 18 | Board.".  |
| 19 | (d) Indicators of Performance and Additional          |
| 20 | Information.—Section 159(c) (29 U.S.C. 2893(c)) is    |
| 21 | amended—  |
| 22 | (1) by amending paragraph (1) to read as fol-         |
| 23 | lows:   |
| 24 | "(1) Core indicators.—The Secretary shall             |
| 25 | annually establish expected levels of performance for |

| 1  | Job Corps centers and the Job Corps program relat-     |
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| 2  | ing to each of the following core indicators of per-   |
| 3  | formance for youth—                                    |
| 4  | "(A) entry into education, employment,                 |
| 5  | military service or advanced training;                 |
| 6  | "(B) attainment of a secondary school di-              |
| 7  | ploma, General Educational Development cre-            |
| 8  | dential (GED), or other State-recognized equiv-        |
| 9  | alent; and   |
| 0  | "(C) literacy or numeracy gains."; and                 |
| 11 | (2) in paragraph (2), by striking "measures"           |
| 12 | each place it appears and inserting "indicators".      |
| 13 | (e) Authorization of Appropriations.—Section           |
| 14 | 161 (29 U.S.C. 2901) is amended by striking "1999      |
| 15 | through 2003" and inserting "2011 through 2015".       |
| 16 | (f) Repeal of Requirement Relating to Fed-             |
| 17 | ERAL ADMINISTRATION.—Section 102 of the Departments    |
| 18 | of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education,    |
| 19 | and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006 (Public  |
| 20 | Law 109–149) is repealed.                              |
| 21 | SEC. 116. NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS.                    |
| 22 | (a) Advisory Council.—Section 166(h)(4)(C) (29         |
| 23 | U.S.C. $2911(h)(4)(C))$ is amended to read as follows: |
| 24 | "(C) Duties.—The Council shall advise                  |
| 25 | the Secretary on the operation and administra-         |

- 1 tion of the programs assisted under this sec-
- 2 tion.".
- 3 (b) Assistance to American Samoans in Ha-
- 4 Waii.—Section 166 (29 U.S.C. 2911) is further amended
- 5 by striking subsection (j).
- 6 SEC. 117. MIGRANT AND SEASONAL FARM WORKER PRO-
- 7 GRAMS.
- 8 Section 167(d) is amended by inserting "(including
- 9 permanent housing)" after "housing".
- 10 SEC. 118. VETERANS' WORKFORCE INVESTMENT PRO-
- GRAMS.
- 12 Section 168(a)(3)(C) (29 U.S.C. 2913(a)(3)(C)) is
- 13 amended by striking "section 134(c)" and inserting "sec-
- 14 tion 121(e)".
- 15 SEC. 119. YOUTH CHALLENGE GRANTS.
- 16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 169 (29 U.S.C. 2914) is
- 17 amended to read as follows:
- 18 "SEC. 169. YOUTH CHALLENGE GRANTS.
- 19 "(a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amounts reserved by the
- 20 Secretary under section 127(a)(1)(A) for a fiscal year—
- 21 "(1) the Secretary shall use not less than 80
- 22 percent to award competitive grants under sub-
- section (b); and

| 1  | "(2) the Secretary may use not more than 20             |
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| 2  | percent to award discretionary grants under sub-        |
| 3  | section (c).  |
| 4  | "(b) Competitive Grants to States and Local             |
| 5  | Areas.—   |
| 6  | "(1) Establishment.—From the funds de-                  |
| 7  | scribed in subsection (a)(1), the Secretary shall       |
| 8  | award competitive grants to eligible entities to carry  |
| 9  | out activities authorized under this section to assist  |
| 10 | eligible youth in acquiring the skills, credentials and |
| 11 | employment experience necessary to succeed in the       |
| 12 | labor market.   |
| 13 | "(2) Eligible entities.—Grants under this               |
| 14 | subsection may be awarded to States, local boards,      |
| 15 | recipients of grants under section 166 (relating to     |
| 16 | Native American programs), and public or private        |
| 17 | entities (including consortia of such entities) apply-  |
| 18 | ing in conjunction with local boards.                   |
| 19 | "(3) Grant Period.—The Secretary may                    |
| 20 | make a grant under this section for a period of 1       |
| 21 | year and may renew the grants for each of the 4         |
| 22 | succeeding years.                                       |
| 23 | "(4) Authority to require match.—The                    |
| 24 | Secretary may require that grantees under this sub-     |

section provide a non-Federal share of the cost of

| 1  | activities carried out under a grant awarded under    |
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| 2  | this subsection.                                      |
| 3  | "(5) Participant eligibility.—Youth ages              |
| 4  | 14 through 19 as of the time the eligibility deter-   |
| 5  | mination is made may be eligible to participate in    |
| 6  | activities provided under this subsection.            |
| 7  | "(6) Use of funds.—Funds under this sub-              |
| 8  | section may be used for activities that are designed  |
| 9  | to assist youth in acquiring the skills, credentials  |
| 10 | and employment experience that are necessary to       |
| 11 | succeed in the labor market, including the activities |
| 12 | identified in section 129. The activities may include |
| 13 | activities such as—                                   |
| 14 | "(A) training and internships for out-of-             |
| 15 | school youth in sectors of the economy experi-        |
| 16 | encing or projected to experience high growth;        |
| 17 | "(B) after-school dropout prevention activi-          |
| 18 | ties for in-school youth;                             |
| 19 | "(C) activities designed to assist special            |
| 20 | youth populations, such as court-involved youth       |
| 21 | and youth with disabilities; and                      |
| 22 | "(D) activities combining remediation of              |
| 23 | academic skills, work readiness training, and         |
| 24 | work experience, and including linkages to post-      |

| 1  | secondary education, apprenticeships, and ca-         |
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| 2  | reer-ladder employment.                               |
| 3  | "(7) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to receive a        |
| 4  | grant under this subsection, an eligible entity shall |
| 5  | submit an application to the Secretary at such time,  |
| 6  | in such manner, and containing such information as    |
| 7  | the Secretary may require, including—                 |
| 8  | "(A) a description of the activities the eli-         |
| 9  | gible entity will provide to eligible youth under     |
| 10 | this subsection and how the eligible entity will      |
| 11 | collaborate with State and local workforce in-        |
| 12 | vestment systems established under this title in      |
| 13 | the provisions of such activities;                    |
| 14 | "(B) a description of the programs of dem-            |
| 15 | onstrated effectiveness on which the provision        |
| 16 | of the activities under subparagraph (A) are          |
| 17 | based, and a description of how such activities       |
| 18 | will expand the base of knowledge relating to         |
| 19 | the provision of activities for youth;                |
| 20 | "(C) a description of the private and pub-            |
| 21 | lic, and local and State resources that will be le-   |
| 22 | veraged to provide the activities described under     |
| 23 | subparagraph (A) in addition to the funds pro-        |
| 24 | vided under this subsection and a description of      |

| 1  | the extent of the involvement of employers in     |
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| 2  | the activities; and                               |
| 3  | "(D) the levels of performance the eligible       |
| 4  | entity expects to achieve with respect to the in- |
| 5  | dicators of performance for youth specified in    |
| 6  | section $136(b)(2)(A)(ii)$ .                      |
| 7  | "(8) Factors for award.—                          |
| 8  | "(A) In General.—In awarding grants               |
| 9  | under this subsection the Secretary shall con-    |
| 10 | sider—  |
| 11 | "(i) the quality of the proposed activi-          |
| 12 | ties;   |
| 13 | "(ii) the goals to be achieved;                   |
| 14 | "(iii) the likelihood of successful im-           |
| 15 | plementation;                                     |
| 16 | "(iv) the extent to which the proposed            |
| 17 | activities are based on proven strategies or      |
| 18 | the extent to which the proposed activities       |
| 19 | will expand the base of knowledge relating        |
| 20 | to the provision of activities for eligible       |
| 21 | youth;  |
| 22 | "(v) the extent of collaboration with             |
| 23 | the State and local workforce investment          |
| 24 | systems in carrying out the proposed ac-          |
| 25 | tivities;   |

| 1  | "(vi) the extent of employer involve-                  |
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| 2  | ment in the proposed activities;                       |
| 3  | "(vii) whether there are other Federal                 |
| 4  | and non-Federal funds available for similar            |
| 5  | activities to the proposed activities, and the         |
| 6  | additional State, local, and private re-               |
| 7  | sources that will be provided to carry out             |
| 8  | the proposed activities;                               |
| 9  | "(viii) the quality of the proposed ac-                |
| 10 | tivities in meeting the needs of the eligible          |
| 11 | youth to be served; and                                |
| 12 | "(ix) the extent to which the proposed                 |
| 13 | activities will expand on services provided            |
| 14 | under section 127.                                     |
| 15 | "(B) Equitable geographic distribu-                    |
| 16 | TION.—In awarding grants under this sub-               |
| 17 | section the Secretary shall ensure an equitable        |
| 18 | distribution of such grants across geographi-          |
| 19 | cally diverse areas.                                   |
| 20 | "(9) Evaluation.—The Secretary may reserve             |
| 21 | up to 5 percent of the funds described in subsection   |
| 22 | (a)(1) to provide technical assistance to, and conduct |
| 23 | evaluations of the projects funded under this sub-     |
| 24 | section (using appropriate techniques as described in  |
| 25 | section $172(c)$                                       |

1 "(c) DISCRETIONARY GRANTS FOR YOUTH ACTIVI-2 TIES.—

- "(1) IN GENERAL.—From the funds described in subsection(a)(2), the Secretary may award grants to eligible entities to provide activities that will assist youth in preparing for, and entering and retaining, employment.
  - "(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—Grants under this subsection may be awarded to public or private entities that the Secretary determines would effectively carry out activities relating to youth under this subsection.
    - "(3) Participant Eligibility.—Youth ages
      14 through 19 at the time the eligibility determination is made may be eligible to participate in activities under this subsection.
    - "(4) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds provided under this subsection may be used for activities that will assist youth in preparing for, and entering and retaining, employment, including activities to assist out-of-school youth, activities designed to assist inschool youth to stay in school and gain work experience, and such other activities that the Secretary determines are appropriate.

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| 1                                      | "(5) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to receive a  |
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| 2                                      | grant under this subsection, an eligible entity shall   |
| 3                                      | submit an application to the Secretary at such time,  |
| 4                                      | in such manner, and containing such information as  |
| 5                                      | the Secretary may require.  |
| 6                                      | "(6) Additional requirements.—The Sec-  |
| 7                                      | retary may require the provision of a non-Federal   |
| 8                                      | share for projects funded under this subsection and   |
| 9                                      | may require participation of grantees in evaluations  |
| 10                                     | of such projects, including evaluations using the   |
| 11                                     | techniques as described in section 172(c).".  |
| 12                                     | (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents   |
| 13                                     | in section 1(b) is amended by amending the item related   |
| 14                                     | to section 169 to read as follows:  |
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|  | "Sec. 169. Youth challenge grants.".  |
| 15                                     | "Sec. 169. Youth challenge grants.".  SEC. 120. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.   |
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|  | SEC. 120. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.   |
| 16                                     | SEC. 120. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.  Section 170 (29 U.S.C. 2915) is amended—   |
| 16<br>17                               | SEC. 120. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.  Section 170 (29 U.S.C. 2915) is amended—  (1) by striking subsection (b);  |
| 16<br>17<br>18                         | SEC. 120. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.  Section 170 (29 U.S.C. 2915) is amended—  (1) by striking subsection (b);  (2) by striking   |
| 16<br>17<br>18<br>19                   | Section 170 (29 U.S.C. 2915) is amended—  (1) by striking subsection (b);  (2) by striking  "(a) GENERAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—";   |
| 16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20             | SEC. 120. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.  Section 170 (29 U.S.C. 2915) is amended—  (1) by striking subsection (b);  (2) by striking  "(a) General Technical Assistance.—";  (3) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and   |
| 116<br>117<br>118<br>119<br>220<br>221 | Section 170 (29 U.S.C. 2915) is amended—  (1) by striking subsection (b);  (2) by striking  "(a) General Technical Assistance.—";  (3) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and  (3) as subsections (a), (b), and (c) respectively, and  |
| 16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20<br>21<br>22 | Section 170 (29 U.S.C. 2915) is amended—  (1) by striking subsection (b);  (2) by striking  "(a) General Technical Assistance.—";  (3) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and  (3) as subsections (a), (b), and (c) respectively, and moving such subsections 2 ems to the left; |

| 1  | other staff of recipients of funds under this       |
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| 2  | title, peer review activities under this title, as- |
| 3  | sistance regarding accounting and program op-       |
| 4  | eration practices (when such assistance would       |
| 5  | not be duplicative to assistance provided by the    |
| 6  | State), technical assistance to States that do      |
| 7  | not meet State performance measures described       |
| 8  | in section 136," after "localities,"; and           |
| 9  | (B) by striking "from carrying out activi-          |
| 10 | ties" and all that follows up to the period and     |
| 11 | inserting "to implement the amendments made         |
| 12 | by the Workforce Investment Improvement Act         |
| 13 | of 2009"; and                                       |
| 14 | (5) by inserting, after subsection (c) (as redes-   |
| 15 | ignated by paragraph (3)), the following:           |
| 16 | "(d) Best Practices Coordination.—The Sec-          |
| 17 | retary shall—                                       |
| 18 | "(1) establish a system through which States        |
| 19 | may share information regarding best practices with |
| 20 | regard to the operation of workforce investment ac- |
| 21 | tivities under this Act;                            |
| 22 | "(2) evaluate and disseminate information re-       |
| 23 | garding best practices and identify knowledge gaps  |
| 24 | and   |

| 1  | "(3) commission research under section 171(c)      |
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| 2  | to address knowledge gaps identified under para-   |
| 3  | graph (2).".                                       |
| 4  | SEC. 121. DEMONSTRATION, PILOT, MULTISERVICE, RE-  |
| 5  | SEARCH AND MULTI-STATE PROJECTS.                   |
| 6  | (a) Demonstration and Pilot Projects.—Sec-         |
| 7  | tion 171(b) (29 U.S.C. 2916(b)) is amended—        |
| 8  | (1) in paragraph (1)—                              |
| 9  | (A) by striking "Under a" and inserting            |
| 10 | "Consistent with the priorities specified in the"; |
| 11 | (B) by amending subparagraphs (A)                  |
| 12 | through (D) to read as follows:                    |
| 13 | "(A) projects that assist national employ-         |
| 14 | ers in connecting with the workforce investment    |
| 15 | system established under this title in order to    |
| 16 | facilitate the recruitment and employment of       |
| 17 | needed workers and to provide information to       |
| 18 | such system on skills and occupations in de-       |
| 19 | mand;  |
| 20 | "(B) projects that promote the develop-            |
| 21 | ment of systems that will improve the effective-   |
| 22 | ness and efficiency of programs carried out        |
| 23 | under this title;                                  |
| 24 | "(C) projects that focus on opportunities          |
| 25 | for employment in industries and sectors of in-    |

| 1  | dustries that are experiencing or are likely to  |
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| 2  | experience high rates of growth, including those |
| 3  | relating to information technology and energy    |
| 4  | efficiency and renewable energy;                 |
| 5  | "(D) projects carried out by States and          |
| 6  | local areas to test innovative approaches to de- |
| 7  | livering employment-related services;";          |
| 8  | (C) by striking subparagraph (E);                |
| 9  | (D) by redesignating subparagraphs (F)           |
| 10 | and (G) as subparagraphs (E) and (F), respec-    |
| 11 | tively;  |
| 12 | (E) in subparagraph (F) (as so redesig-          |
| 13 | nated, by striking "; and" and inserting a semi- |
| 14 | colon;   |
| 15 | (F) by inserting after subparagraph (F)          |
| 16 | (as so redesignated) the following:              |
| 17 | "(G) projects carried out by States and          |
| 18 | local areas to assist adults or out of school    |
| 19 | youth in starting a small business, including    |
| 20 | training and assistance in business or financial |
| 21 | management or in developing other skills nec-    |
| 22 | essary to operate a business;"; and              |
| 23 | (G) by amending subparagraph (H) to              |
| 24 | read as follows:                                 |

| 1  | "(H) projects that focus on opportunities            |
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| 2  | for employment in industries and sectors of in-      |
| 3  | dustries that are being transformed by tech-         |
| 4  | nology and innovation requiring new knowledge        |
| 5  | or skill sets for workers, including advanced        |
| 6  | manufacturing; and"; and                             |
| 7  | (2) in paragraph (2)—                                |
| 8  | (A) by striking subparagraph (B); and                |
| 9  | (B) by redesignating subparagraph (C) as             |
| 10 | subparagraph (B).                                    |
| 11 | (b) Multiservice Projects.—Section                   |
| 12 | 171(e)(2)(B) (29 U.S.C. 2916(e)(2)(B)) is amended to |
| 13 | read as follows:                                     |
| 14 | "(B) NET IMPACT STUDIES AND RE-                      |
| 15 | PORTS.—The Secretary shall conduct studies to        |
| 16 | determine the net impacts of programs, serv-         |
| 17 | ices, and activities carried out under this title.   |
| 18 | The Secretary shall prepare and disseminate to       |
| 19 | Congress and the public reports containing the       |
| 20 | results of such studies.".                           |
| 21 | SEC. 122. RESTORING STATE AND LOCAL FLEXIBILITY TO   |
| 22 | CREATE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEW-                  |
| 23 | ABLE ENERGY JOBS.                                    |
| 24 | Section 171(e) is repealed                           |

## 1 SEC. 123. EVALUATIONS.

- 2 (a) Impact Analysis.—Section 172(a)(4) (29
- 3 U.S.C. 2917(a)(4)) is amended to read as follows:
- 4 "(4) the impact of receiving services and not re-
- 5 ceiving services under such programs and activities
- 6 on the community, businesses, and individuals;".
- 7 (b) Techniques.—Section 172(c) (29 U.S.C.
- 8 2917(c)) is amended to read as follows:
- 9 "(c) Techniques.—Evaluations conducted under
- 10 this section shall utilize appropriate and rigorous method-
- 11 ology and research designs, including the use of control
- 12 groups chosen by scientific random assignment methodolo-
- 13 gies, quasi-experimental methods, impact analysis and the
- 14 use of administrative data. The Secretary shall conduct
- 15 an impact analysis, as described in subsection (a)(4), of
- 16 the formula grant programs under subtitle B not later
- 17 than 2012, and thereafter shall conduct such an analysis
- 18 not less than once every four years.".
- 19 (c) Reports to Congress.—Section 172(e) (29
- 20 U.S.C. 2917(e)) is amended by striking "the Committee
- 21 on Education and the Workforce of the House of Rep-
- 22 resentatives and the Committee on Labor and Human Re-
- 23 sources of the Senate" and inserting "the Committee on
- 24 Education and Labor of the House of Representatives and
- 25 the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pen-
- 26 sions of the Senate".

| 1  | SEC. 124. NATIONAL DISLOCATED WORKER GRANTS.           |
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| 2  | (a) In General.—Section 173 (29 U.S.C. 2916) is        |
| 3  | amended—   |
| 4  | (1) by amending the designation and heading to         |
| 5  | read as follows:                                       |
| 6  | "SEC. 173. NATIONAL DISLOCATED WORKER GRANTS.";        |
| 7  | (2) in subsection (a)—                                 |
| 8  | (A) by striking "national emergency                    |
| 9  | grants" in the matter preceding paragraph (1)          |
| 10 | and inserting "national dislocated worker              |
| 11 | grants";   |
| 12 | (B) in paragraph (1), by striking "sub-                |
| 13 | section (c)" and inserting "subsection (b)"; and       |
| 14 | (C) in paragraph (4)—                                  |
| 15 | (i) in subparagraph (A)—                               |
| 16 | (I) by striking "section                               |
| 17 | 173(c)(1)(B)" and inserting "section                   |
| 18 | 173(h)(1)(B)"; and                                     |
| 19 | (II) by striking "subsection (f)"                      |
| 20 | and inserting "subsection (d)"; and                    |
| 21 | (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking                  |
| 22 | "subsection (g)" and inserting "subsection             |
| 23 | (e)";  |
| 24 | (3) by striking subsections (b) and (e) and re-        |
| 25 | designating subsections (c), (d), (f), and (g) as sub- |
| 26 | sections (b) through (e), respectively;                |

| 1  | (4) in subsection (b)(1)(B) as so redesignated),        |
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| 2  | by striking ", and other entities" and all that follows |
| 3  | and inserting a period;                                 |
| 4  | (5) in subsection $(b)(2)(A)$ (as so redesig-           |
| 5  | nated)—   |
| 6  | (A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by              |
| 7  | striking "national emergency grant" and insert-         |
| 8  | ing "national dislocated worker grant";                 |
| 9  | (B) in clause (iii), by striking "; or" and             |
| 10 | inserting a semicolon;                                  |
| 11 | (C) in clause (iv)(IV) by striking the pe-              |
| 12 | riod and inserting "; or"; and                          |
| 13 | (D) by inserting at the end the following:              |
| 14 | "(v) is the spouse of a member of the                   |
| 15 | Armed Forces who is on active duty or                   |
| 16 | full-time National Guard duty, or who was               |
| 17 | recently separated from such duties, and                |
| 18 | such spouse is in need of employment and                |
| 19 | training assistance to obtain or retain em-             |
| 20 | ployment.";   |
| 21 | (6) in subsection (b)(2)(C) (as so redesignated),       |
| 22 | by striking "national emergency grant" and insert-      |
| 23 | ing "national dislocated worker grants".                |

1 (7) in subsection (d)(2) (as so redesignated), by 2 striking "subsection (g)" and inserting "subsection 3 (e)";4 (8) in subsection (d)(5) (as so redesignated), by striking "subsection (g)" and inserting "subsection 5 6 (e)";7 (9) in subsection (d)(6) (as so redesignated), by striking "subsection (g)" and inserting "subsection 8 9 (e)"; and 10 (10) in subsection (e)(1)(A) (as so redesig-11 nated), by striking "subsection (f)(1)(A)" and in-12 serting "subsection (d)(1)(A)". 13 (b) Conforming Amendment.—The table of contents in section 1(b) is amended by amending the item 14 15 related to section 173 to read as follows: "Sec. 173. National dislocated worker grants.". 16 SEC. 125. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR NA-17 TIONAL ACTIVITIES. 18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 174(a)(1) (29 U.S.C. 2919(a)(1)) is amended by striking "1999 through 2003" and inserting "2011 through 2015". 21 (b) Reservations.—Section 174(b) is amended to read as follows: 22 23 "(b) Technical Assistance; Demonstration and

PILOT PROJECTS; EVALUATIONS; INCENTIVE GRANTS.—

- 1 "(1) Demonstration and pilot projects.—
- 2 There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out
- 3 section 171, such sums as may be necessary for fis-
- 4 cal years 2011 through 2015.
- 5 "(2) Technical assistance, evaluations.—
- 6 There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out
- 7 section 170, section 172, and section 136 such sums
- 8 as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2011
- 9 through 2015.".
- 10 SEC. 126. REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS.
- 11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 181(c)(2)(A) (29 U.S.C.
- 12 2931(c)(2)(A)) is amended in the matter preceding clause
- 13 (i) by striking "shall" and inserting "may".
- 14 (b) Limitations.—Section 181(e) (29 U.S.C.
- 15 2931(e)) is amended by striking "training for" and insert-
- 16 ing "the entry into employment, retention in employment,
- 17 or increases in earnings of".
- 18 (c) Salary Cap.—Section 181 (29 U.S.C. 2931) is
- 19 further amended by adding at the end the following new
- 20 subsection:
- 21 "(g) Salary and Bonus Limitation.—No funds
- 22 provided under this title shall be used by a recipient or
- 23 subrecipient of such funds to pay the salary and bonuses
- 24 of an individual, either as direct costs or indirect costs,
- 25 at a rate in excess of Level II of the Federal Executive

- 1 Pay Schedule (5 U.S.C. 5313). This limitation shall not
- 2 apply to vendors providing goods and services as defined
- 3 in OMB Circular A-133. Where States are recipients of
- 4 such funds, States may establish a lower limit for salaries
- 5 and bonuses of those receiving salaries and bonuses from
- 6 subrecipients of such funds, taking into account factors
- 7 including the relative cost-of-living in the State, the com-
- 8 pensation levels for comparable State or local government
- 9 employees, and the size of the organizations that admin-
- 10 ister the programs.".
- 11 (d) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—Section 181 is further
- 12 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
- 13 section:
- 14 "(h) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—
- 15 "(1) IN GENERAL.—The Employment and
- 16 Training Administration of the U.S. Department of
- 17 Labor (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the 'Ad-
- ministration') shall administer all programs author-
- ized under title I and III of this Act. The Adminis-
- tration shall be headed by an Assistant Secretary
- appointed by the President by and with the advice
- and consent of the Senate. Except for titles II and
- IV, the Administration shall be the principal agency,
- and the Assistant Secretary shall be the principal of-
- 25 ficer, of such Department for carrying out this Act.

- 1 "(2)QUALIFICATIONS.—The Assistant Sec-2 retary shall be an individual with substantial experi-3 ence in workforce development and in workforce de-4 velopment management. The Assistant Secretary 5 shall also, to the maximum extent possible, possess 6 knowledge and have worked in or with the State or 7 local workforce investment system or have been a member of the business community. In the perform-8 9 ance of the functions of the office, the Assistant Sec-10 retary shall be directly responsible to the Secretary 11 or the Under Secretary as designed by the Sec-12 retary. The functions of the Assistant Secretary 13 shall not be delegated to any officer not directly re-14 sponsible, both with respect to program operation 15 and administration, to the Assistant Secretary. Any 16 reference in this Act to duties to be carried out by 17 the Assistant Secretary shall be considered to be a 18 reference to duties to be carried out by the Secretary 19 acting through the Assistant Secretary.". (e) FISCAL CONTROLS; Sanctions.—Section
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- 184(a)(2)(B) (29 U.S.C. 2934(a)(2)(B)) is amended by 21
- striking "in accordance with section 134(a)(3)(B)". 22
- 23 (f) Reports to Congress.—Section 185 (29 U.S.C.
- 2935) is amended— 24
- 25 (1) in subsection (c)—

| 1  | (A) in paragraph (2), by striking "and"                 |
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| 2  | after the semicolon;                                    |
| 3  | (B) in paragraph (3), by striking the pe-               |
| 4  | riod and inserting "; and"; and                         |
| 5  | (C) by adding at the end the following:                 |
| 6  | "(4) shall have the option to submit or dissemi-        |
| 7  | nate electronically any reports, records, plans, or any |
| 8  | other data that are required to be collected or dis-    |
| 9  | seminated under this title."; and                       |
| 10 | (2) in paragraph (e)(2), by inserting "and the          |
| 11 | Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Edu-         |
| 12 | cation and Labor of the House of Representatives        |
| 13 | and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor,          |
| 14 | and Pensions of the Senate," after "Secretary,".        |
| 15 | SEC. 127. NONDISCRIMINATION.                            |
| 16 | Section 188(a)(2) (29 U.S.C. 2938(a)(2)) is amended     |
| 17 | to read as follows:                                     |
| 18 | "(2) Prohibition of discrimination re-                  |
| 19 | GARDING PARTICIPATION, BENEFITS, AND EMPLOY-            |
| 20 | MENT.—  |
| 21 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in                  |
| 22 | subparagraph (B), no individual shall be ex-            |
| 23 | cluded from participation in, denied the benefits       |
| 24 | of, subjected to discrimination under, or denied        |
| 25 | employment in the administration of or in con-          |

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nection with, any such program or activity because of race, color, religion, sex (except as otherwise permitted under title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972), national origin, age, disability, or political affiliation or belief.

"(B) Exemption for religious organizations.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply to
a recipient of financial assistance under this
title that is a religious corporation, association,
educational institution, or society, with respect
to the employment of individuals of a particular
religion to perform work connected with the
carrying on by such corporation, association,
educational institution, or society of its activities. Such recipients shall comply with the other
requirements contained in subparagraph (A).".

## 17 SEC. 128. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.

- 18 (a) Program Year.—Section 189(g)(1) (29 U.S.C.
- 19 2939(g)(1)) is amended to read as follows:
- "(1) IN GENERAL.—Appropriations for any fiscal year for programs and activities carried out under this title shall be available for obligation only on the basis of a program year. The program year shall begin on July 1 in the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made.".

| 1  | (b) AVAILABILITY.—Section 189(g)(2) (29 U.S.C.          |
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| 2  | 2939(g)(2)) is amended by striking "each State" and in- |
| 3  | serting "each recipient".                               |
| 4  | (c) General Waivers.—Section 189(i)(4) (29              |
| 5  | U.S.C. 2939(i)(4)) is amended—                          |
| 6  | (1) in subparagraph (A)—                                |
| 7  | (A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by              |
| 8  | inserting ", or in accordance with subparagraph         |
| 9  | (D)" after "subparagraph (B)"; and                      |
| 10 | (B) by striking clause (ii), the clause (i)             |
| 11 | designation and the dash preceding such des-            |
| 12 | ignation, and moving the remaining text flush           |
| 13 | with the preceding matter; and                          |
| 14 | (2) by adding the following subparagraph:               |
| 15 | "(D) Expedited process for extend-                      |
| 16 | ING APPROVED WAIVERS TO ADDITIONAL                      |
| 17 | STATES.—In lieu of the requirements of sub-             |
| 18 | paragraphs (B) and (C), the Secretary may es-           |
| 19 | tablish an expedited procedure for the purpose          |
| 20 | of extending to additional States the waiver of         |
| 21 | statutory or regulatory requirements that have          |
| 22 | been approved for a State pursuant to a request         |
| 23 | under subparagraph (B). Such procedure shall            |
| 24 | ensure that the extension of such waivers to ad-        |
| 25 | ditional States are accompanied by appropriate          |

| 1  | conditions relating the implementation of such   |
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| 2  | waivers.".   |
| 3  | SEC. 129. STATE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY.   |
| 4  | Section 191 is amended—  |
| 5  | (1) in subsection (a), by striking "consistent   |
| 6  | with the provisions of this title" and inserting "con-   |
| 7  | sistent with State law and the provisions of this  |
| 8  | title"; and  |
| 9  | (2) in subsection (a), by striking "consistent   |
| 10   | with the terms and conditions required under this  |
| 11   | title" and inserting "consistent with State law and  |
| 12   | the terms and conditions required under this title".   |
| 13   | SEC. 130. WORKFORCE INNOVATION IN REGIONAL ECO-  |
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| 14   | NOMIC DEVELOPMENT.   |
| <ul><li>14</li><li>15</li></ul>              | (a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Eco-  |
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| 15<br>16                                     | (a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Eco-  |
| 15<br>16<br>17                               | (a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development.—Section 192 (29 U.S.C. 2942) is   |
| 15<br>16<br>17                               | (a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development.—Section 192 (29 U.S.C. 2942) is amended to read as follows:   |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18                         | (a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development.—Section 192 (29 U.S.C. 2942) is amended to read as follows:  "SEC. 192. WORKFORCE INNOVATION IN REGIONAL ECO-   |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19                   | (a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development.—Section 192 (29 U.S.C. 2942) is amended to read as follows:  "SEC. 192. WORKFORCE INNOVATION IN REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.  |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20             | (a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development.—Section 192 (29 U.S.C. 2942) is amended to read as follows:  "SEC. 192. WORKFORCE INNOVATION IN REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.  "(a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development.   |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20<br>21       | (a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development.—Section 192 (29 U.S.C. 2942) is amended to read as follows:  "SEC. 192. WORKFORCE INNOVATION IN REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.  "(a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development Plans.—  |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20<br>21<br>22 | (a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development.—Section 192 (29 U.S.C. 2942) is amended to read as follows:  "SEC. 192. WORKFORCE INNOVATION IN REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.  "(a) Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development Plans.—  "(1) In General.—The Secretary, in coopera- |

1 force Innovation in Regional Economic Development 2 (in this subsection referred to as WIRED) plans 3 submitted by a State or local workforce investment 4 board or boards pursuant to paragraph (2) to sup-5 port the development of regional economies in order 6 to foster economic development, expand employment, 7 and advancement opportunities for workers and to 8 promote the creation of high-skill and high-wage op-9 portunities.

"(2) Contents of Plan.—To have a WIRED plan approved under this subsection, a State or local workforce investment board or boards and the region or regions identified in subparagraph (A) shall jointly submit a plan to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require, including—

"(A) the identification of the multi-county region or regions that is to be the focus of the activities provided under the plan, including identification of the communities in the region that share common characteristics, and a description of why the selected area comprises a regional economy;

"(B) a description of the broad-based regional partnership that has been created for the

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1 region identified in subparagraph (A) rep-2 resenting the major assets of the region, con-3 sistent with the requirements of paragraph (3), 4 and that will assist in developing the economic 5 vision described in subparagraph (D), the strat-6 egies described in subparagraph (E), and pro-7 vide a forum for regional economic decision-8 making, including a description of the partner-9 ship's involvement, particularly that of rep-10 resentatives of affected local boards and chief 11 elected officials, in the development of the plan; "(C) a description of the assets of the re-12 13 gion identified in subparagraph (A), based on a 14 regional assessment, and identification of the 15 strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and risks 16 based on those assets; "(D) a description of an economic vision 17 18 for the region identified in subparagraph (A), 19 based on the identified strengths and assets de-20 scribed in subparagraph (C), and evidence of 21 support for that vision from the broad-based re-22 gional partnership described in subparagraph 23 (B);"(E) a description of the talent develop-24

ment and related strategies that provide a blue-

| 1  | print for how to achieve the economic vision for  |
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| 2  | the region as described in subparagraph (D),      |
| 3  | including the activities to be carried out under  |
| 4  | this subsection, consistent with paragraphs (5)   |
| 5  | and (6), and the identification of specific goals |
| 6  | associated with those strategies;                 |
| 7  | "(F) information on the workforce develop-        |
| 8  | ment programs to be integrated in the region,     |
| 9  | in accordance with the requirements of para-      |
| 10 | graph (4), into an integrated workforce develop-  |
| 11 | ment program, including—                          |
| 12 | "(i) identification of the programs to            |
| 13 | be integrated;                                    |
| 14 | "(ii) the amount and proportion of the            |
| 15 | resources available to the region under           |
| 16 | each of the integrated programs to carry          |
| 17 | out the strategies described in subpara-          |
| 18 | graph (E);  |
| 19 | "(iii) a description of how these re-             |
| 20 | sources will be used to accomplish the vi-        |
| 21 | sion identified in subparagraph (D), in-          |
| 22 | cluding the services to be provided and           |
| 23 | how such services will be provided, con-          |
| 24 | sistent with clause (iv) and paragraph (5);       |
| 25 | and   |

| 1  | "(iv) assurances that in carrying out   |
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| 2  | the wired plan—                         |
| 3  | "(I) the region, through the inte-      |
| 4  | grated workforce development pro-       |
| 5  | gram, will maintain a local workforce   |
| 6  | investment board, or a regional work-   |
| 7  | force investment board, that is sub-    |
| 8  | stantially similar to the local work-   |
| 9  | force investment boards required        |
| 10 | under section 117 of this Act, that     |
| 11 | such board will carry out functions     |
| 12 | that are substantially similar to those |
| 13 | described under section 117(d), and,    |
| 14 | that such region shall submit to the    |
| 15 | State for approval a local plan for the |
| 16 | region that is substantially similar to |
| 17 | the local plans required under section  |
| 18 | 118 of this Act;                        |
| 19 | "(II) the region, through the in-       |
| 20 | tegrated workforce development pro-     |
| 21 | gram, will maintain a one-stop deliv-   |
| 22 | ery system that is consistent with the  |
| 23 | requirements of section 121 of this     |
| 24 | Act;                                    |

| 1  | "(III) the region, through the in-      |
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| 2  | tegrated workforce development pro-     |
| 3  | gram, will serve populations consistent |
| 4  | with the populations served by the      |
| 5  | programs being integrated, and will     |
| 6  | provide universal access to work ready  |
| 7  | services as described in section        |
| 8  | 134(c)(2) of this Act;                  |
| 9  | "(IV) the region, in carrying out       |
| 10 | the integrated workforce development    |
| 11 | program, will comply with the vet-      |
| 12 | erans' priority of service requirement  |
| 13 | under section 4215 of title 38, United  |
| 14 | States Code;                            |
| 15 | "(V) of the funds expended              |
| 16 | under the integrated workforce devel-   |
| 17 | opment program each year, not more      |
| 18 | than 10 percent of such funds will be   |
| 19 | expended on the costs of administra-    |
| 20 | tion (as defined by the Secretary);     |
| 21 | "(VI) the services provided under       |
| 22 | the integrated workforce development    |
| 23 | program will be coordinated with em-    |
| 24 | ployment-related programs not in-       |

| 1  | cluded under the integrated workforce              |
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| 2  | program; and                                       |
| 3  | "(VII) the region, in carrying out                 |
| 4  | the integrated workforce development               |
| 5  | program, will comply with require-                 |
| 6  | ments under this title relating to wage            |
| 7  | and labor standards (including non-                |
| 8  | displacement provisions), grievance                |
| 9  | procedures and judicial review, and                |
| 10 | nondiscrimination;                                 |
| 11 | "(G) an assurance that each local work-            |
| 12 | force board and chief elected official included in |
| 13 | the region that will carry out the integrated      |
| 14 | workforce development plan has approved the        |
| 15 | plan;  |
| 16 | "(H) information on the community and              |
| 17 | economic development programs, if any, that        |
| 18 | will provide a portion of funds that will be inte- |
| 19 | grated to carry out the strategies described in    |
| 20 | subparagraph (E), in accordance with the re-       |
| 21 | quirements of paragraph (6), including—            |
| 22 | "(i) identification of the included com-           |
| 23 | munity and economic development pro-               |
| 24 | grams;   |

| 1  | "(ii) the amount and proportion of the             |
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| 2  | resources available to the State or local          |
| 3  | workforce investment board or boards               |
| 4  | under each such program that will be used          |
| 5  | in the region to carry out the strategies de-      |
| 6  | scribed in subparagraph (E); and                   |
| 7  | "(iii) a description of how these re-              |
| 8  | sources will be used to assist in accom-           |
| 9  | plishing the vision identified in subpara-         |
| 10 | graph (D), including the activities to be          |
| 11 | carried out; and                                   |
| 12 | "(I) in addition to the resources described        |
| 13 | under subparagraphs (F) and (H), identifica-       |
| 14 | tion of other resources that will be used to sup-  |
| 15 | port the strategies of the region described in     |
| 16 | subparagraph (E), from a wide range of             |
| 17 | sources, including foundations, private invest-    |
| 18 | ment such as venture capital, and Federal,         |
| 19 | State, and local governments.                      |
| 20 | "(3) Broad-based regional partnership.—            |
| 21 | For purposes of this subsection, a broad-based re- |
| 22 | gional partnership—                                |
| 23 | "(A) shall include—                                |
| 24 | "(i) representatives from each of the              |
| 25 | local workforce investment systems in the          |

| 1  | region identified under paragraph $(2)(A)$ , |
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| 2  | such as the chairpersons or executive direc- |
| 3  | tors of affected local workforce investment  |
| 4  | boards in such region;                       |
| 5  | "(ii) representatives of the education       |
| 6  | system in the region identified under para-  |
| 7  | graph (2)(A), including representatives      |
| 8  | from each of the following:                  |
| 9  | "(I) The K-12 public school sys-             |
| 10 | tems;  |
| 11 | "(II) Community colleges; and                |
| 12 | "(III) Four-year educational in-             |
| 13 | stitutions;                                  |
| 14 | "(iii) representatives of businesses         |
| 15 | and industry associations in the region      |
| 16 | identified under paragraph (2)(A);           |
| 17 | "(iv) the chief elected officials from       |
| 18 | each of the affected local areas identified  |
| 19 | under paragraph (2)(A); and                  |
| 20 | "(v) representatives of local and re-        |
| 21 | gional economic development agencies in      |
| 22 | the region identified under paragraph        |
| 23 | (2)(A); and                                  |
| 24 | "(B) may include—                            |

| 1  | "(i) representatives of the philan-             |
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| 2  | thropic community;                              |
| 3  | "(ii) representatives of post-secondary         |
| 4  | education and training providers in addi-       |
| 5  | tion to those described in subparagraph         |
| 6  | (A)(ii);  |
| 7  | "(iii) representatives of private invest-       |
| 8  | ment entities such as seed and venture          |
| 9  | capital organizations; investor networks;       |
| 10 | and entrepreneurs;                              |
| 11 | "(iv) representatives of faith and com-         |
| 12 | munity-based organizations; and                 |
| 13 | "(v) representatives of such other              |
| 14 | Federal, State or local entities and organi-    |
| 15 | zations that may enhance the carrying out       |
| 16 | of the activities of the partnership.           |
| 17 | "(4) Integration of workforce develop-          |
| 18 | MENT SERVICES AUTHORIZED.—                      |
| 19 | "(A) AUTHORIZATION FOR INTEGRA-                 |
| 20 | TION.—In carrying out this subsection, the Sec- |
| 21 | retary, in cooperation with the Federal agency  |
| 22 | heads responsible for the administration of the |
| 23 | workforce development programs described in     |
| 24 | subparagraph (D) that are included in the       |
| 25 | WIRED plan submitted by the State or local      |

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workforce investment board or boards, shall, 2 upon the approval of the plan submitted under 3 paragraph (2), authorize the State or local 4 workforce investment board or boards to integrate programs as described in subparagraph 6 (B).

> "(B) INTEGRATION.—The authorization shall give the State or local workforce investment board or boards the authority to integrate, in accordance with such approved plan, the federally funded programs described in subparagraph (D) that are included in the approved plan, in a manner that integrates those programs into a single, coordinated, comprehensive workforce development program to achieve the economic vision identified in such plan for the region.

> "(C) Effect on program require-MENTS.—The provisions of the approved grant application and the requirements of this subsection shall supersede the requirements of the statutes authorizing the programs included for integration in such approved plan, except as otherwise specified in this subsection.

| 1  | "(D) Included workforce develop-                     |
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| 2  | MENT PROGRAMS.—                                      |
| 3  | "(i) Mandatory programs.—A                           |
| 4  | WIRED plan authorized under this sub-                |
| 5  | section shall include the workforce invest-          |
| 6  | ment activities for adults authorized under          |
| 7  | chapter 5 of subtitle B.                             |
| 8  | "(ii) Additional programs.—In ad-                    |
| 9  | dition to the integration of the programs            |
| 10 | described in clause (i) into a single pro-           |
| 11 | gram, a WIRED plan may include integra-              |
| 12 | tion of one or more of the following pro-            |
| 13 | grams as part of such single program—                |
| 14 | "(I) the program of workforce in-                    |
| 15 | vestment activities for youth author-                |
| 16 | ized under chapter 4 of subtitle B; or               |
| 17 | "(II) any of the other required                      |
| 18 | one-stop partner programs and activi-                |
| 19 | ties described in section 121(b)(1)(B)               |
| 20 | of this Act.   |
| 21 | "(5) Workforce Development activities                |
| 22 | TO BE CARRIED OUT UNDER WIRED PLAN.—The              |
| 23 | workforce development activities carried out under a |
| 24 | WIRED plan may include—                              |

| 1  | "(A) job training and related activities for     |
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| 2  | workers to assist them in gaining the skills and |
| 3  | competencies needed to obtain or upgrade em-     |
| 4  | ployment in industries or economic sectors pro-  |
| 5  | jected to experience significant growth in the   |
| 6  | region identified in paragraph (2)(A), includ-   |
| 7  | ing—   |
| 8  | "(i) activities supporting talent devel-         |
| 9  | opment related to entrepreneurship and           |
| 10 | small business development; and                  |
| 11 | "(ii) the purchase of equipment to               |
| 12 | train job seekers and workers for high-          |
| 13 | growth occupations;                              |
| 14 | "(B) activities to enhance the training and      |
| 15 | related activities described in subparagraph (A) |
| 16 | and to promote workforce development in the      |
| 17 | region identified in paragraph (2)(A), includ-   |
| 18 | ing—   |
| 19 | "(i) the development and implementa-             |
| 20 | tion of model activities, such as developing     |
| 21 | appropriate curricula to build core com-         |
| 22 | petencies and train workers in the region;       |
| 23 | "(ii) identifying and disseminating ca-          |
| 24 | reer and skill information relating to the       |
| 25 | region;  |

| 1  | "(iii) developing or purchasing re-              |
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| 2  | gional data tools or systems to deepen un-       |
| 3  | derstanding of the regional economy and          |
| 4  | labor market; and                                |
| 5  | "(iv) integrated regional planning,              |
| 6  | such as increasing the integration of com-       |
| 7  | munity and technical college activities with     |
| 8  | activities of businesses and the public          |
| 9  | workforce investment system to meet the          |
| 10 | training needs of high growth industries in      |
| 11 | the region; and                                  |
| 12 | "(C) appropriate employment-related ac-          |
| 13 | tivities and services authorized under the work- |
| 14 | force development programs that are integrated   |
| 15 | under the plan in accordance with paragraphs     |
| 16 | (2)(F) and (4) that will assist achieving the    |
| 17 | economic vision described in paragraph (2)(D)    |
| 18 | and in implementing the strategies described in  |
| 19 | paragraph $(2)(E)$ .                             |
| 20 | "(6) Integration of community and eco-           |
| 21 | NOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDS AUTHORIZED.—             |
| 22 | "(A) AUTHORIZATION FOR INTEGRATION               |
| 23 | OF FUNDS.—In carrying out this subsection,       |
| 24 | the Secretary, in cooperation with the Federal   |
| 25 | agency heads responsible for the administration  |

of the community and economic development programs described in subparagraph (D) that are included in the WIRED plan submitted by the State or local workforce investment board or boards, shall, upon the approval of the plan submitted under paragraph (2), authorize the State or local workforce investment board or boards to integrate the portion of the funds from such programs to assist in implementing such plans.

"(B) Integration.—The authorization shall give the State or local workforce investment board or boards the authority to integrate, in accordance with such approved plan, funds provided under programs identified from subparagraph (D) to carry out the community and economic development activities described in paragraph (2)(H).

"(C) EFFECT ON PROGRAM REQUIRE-MENTS.—The integrated funds may be used, consistent with the description contained in paragraph (2)(H), to carry out any of the activities authorized under any the programs described in subparagraph (D) that are included in the plan.

| 1  | "(D) Included community and eco-            |
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| 2  | NOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.—The funds       |
| 3  | that may be integrated under this paragraph |
| 4  | are funds provided under—                   |
| 5  | "(i) Community Development Block            |
| 6  | Grants authorized under title I of the      |
| 7  | Housing and Community Development Act       |
| 8  | of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301–5321);              |
| 9  | "(ii) grants authorized under the           |
| 10 | Community Services Block Grant Act (42      |
| 11 | U.S.C. 9901 et seq.);                       |
| 12 | "(iii) Public Works and Economic De-        |
| 13 | velopment Grants authorized under section   |
| 14 | 201 of the Public Works and Economic        |
| 15 | Development Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C.          |
| 16 | 3141);                                      |
| 17 | "(iv) Rural Business Enterprise             |
| 18 | Grants authorized under the Consolidated    |
| 19 | Farm and Rural Development Act (7           |
| 20 | U.S.C. 1932);                               |
| 21 | "(v) Rural Business Opportunity             |
| 22 | Grants authorized under section             |
| 23 | 741(a)(11) of the Federal Agriculture Im-   |
| 24 | provement and Reform Act of 1996 (42        |
| 25 | U.S.C. 1926(a)(11);                         |

| 1  | "(vi) grants authorized under the                  |
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| 2  | Brownfields Economic Development Initia-           |
| 3  | tive; and  |
| 4  | "(vii) Rural Housing and Economic                  |
| 5  | Development grants.                                |
| 6  | "(7) Performance measures and report-              |
| 7  | ING.—  |
| 8  | "(A) PERFORMANCE MEASURES.—The                     |
| 9  | Secretary shall establish performance measures     |
| 10 | that will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of |
| 11 | activities carried out under this subsection and   |
| 12 | shall require such entities to report to the Sec-  |
| 13 | retary on the employment outcomes obtained by      |
| 14 | individuals receiving training under this sub-     |
| 15 | section using those core indicators of perform-    |
| 16 | ance described in section 136(b)(2).               |
| 17 | "(B) Reporting.—Each State or local                |
| 18 | workforce investment board or boards with an       |
| 19 | approved plan under this subsection shall en-      |
| 20 | sure that records are maintained and reports       |
| 21 | are submitted, in such form and containing         |
| 22 | such information, as the Secretary may require     |
| 23 | regarding the performance of programs and ac-      |
| 24 | tivities carried out under this subsection         |

| 1  | "(8) Technical assistance and evalua-              |
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| 2  | TION.—   |
| 3  | "(A) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Sec-                |
| 4  | retary shall provide such staff training, tech-    |
| 5  | nical assistance, and other activities as the Sec- |
| 6  | retary deems appropriate to support the imple-     |
| 7  | mentation of this subsection.                      |
| 8  | "(B) EVALUATION.—The Secretary may                 |
| 9  | require that States with an approved plan          |
| 10 | under this subsection to participate in an eval-   |
| 11 | uation of activities carried out under this sub-   |
| 12 | section, including an evaluation using the tech-   |
| 13 | niques described in section 172(c).                |
| 14 | "(9) Plan review.—Upon receipt of a                |
| 15 | WIRED plan from the State or local workforce in-   |
| 16 | vestment board or boards, the Secretary shall con- |
| 17 | sult with the Federal agency head responsible for  |
| 18 | the administration of any of the programs included |
| 19 | in the plan pursuant to paragraph (4) or (6).      |
| 20 | "(10) Federal responsibilities.—                   |
| 21 | "(A) Interagency memorandum of un-                 |
| 22 | DERSTANDING.—Within 90 days following the          |
| 23 | date of enactment of this subsection, the Sec-     |
| 24 | retary and the Federal agency heads respon-        |
| 25 | sible for programs that could be included in a     |

plan approved under this subsection pursuant to paragraph (4) or (6) shall enter into an interdepartmental memorandum of agreement providing for the implementation of WIRED plans with respect to the integration of programs and funds administered by each Secretary.

"(B) Interagency funds transfers authorized.—The Secretary and the Federal agency heads responsible for the programs that are included in a plan approved under paragraph (4) or (6) are authorized to take such action as may be necessary to provide for intraagency or interagency transfers of funds otherwise available to a State or local workforce investment board or boards in order to further the purposes of this subsection.

## "(11) Administration of funds.—

"(A) SEPARATE RECORDS NOT RE-QUIRED.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as requiring the region to maintain separate records tracing any services or activities conducted under an approved WIRED plan to the programs under which funds were originally authorized, nor shall the State or local

| 1  | workforce investment board or boards be re-           |
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| 2  | quired to allocate expenditures among such pro-       |
| 3  | grams.  |
| 4  | "(B) SINGLE AUDIT ACT.—Nothing in this                |
| 5  | section shall be construed to interfere with the      |
| 6  | ability of the Secretary to fulfill the responsibil-  |
| 7  | ities for the safeguarding of Federal funds pur-      |
| 8  | suant to the Single Audit Act of 1984.                |
| 9  | "(b) Authority To Carry Out Additional                |
| 10 | WIRED ACTIVITIES UNDER WIA.—                          |
| 11 | "(1) AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF CERTAIN                 |
| 12 | FUNDS UNDER WIA.—Funds available under sections       |
| 13 | 128, 133, and 171 of this Act may be used by re-      |
| 14 | cipients and subrecipients of those funds for         |
| 15 | WIRED activities, as defined in paragraph (2), in     |
| 16 | addition to the other activities for which such funds |
| 17 | are authorized to be used.                            |
| 18 | "(2) Definition.—For purposes of this sub-            |
| 19 | section, WIRED activities include—                    |
| 20 | "(A) WIRED planning activities, includ-               |
| 21 | ing—  |
| 22 | "(i) defining the regional economy;                   |
| 23 | "(ii) creating a broad-based regional                 |
| 24 | partnership that assists in developing the            |
| 25 | economic vision described in clause (iv)              |

| 1  | the strategies described in clause (v), and      |
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| 2  | that provides a forum for regional eco-          |
| 3  | nomic decisionmaking;                            |
| 4  | "(iii) conducting an assessment of the           |
| 5  | regional economy to map the assets of a          |
| 6  | region and identify the strengths, weak-         |
| 7  | nesses, opportunities and risks based on         |
| 8  | those assets;                                    |
| 9  | "(iv) developing an economic vision              |
| 10 | based on those strengths and assets;             |
| 11 | "(v) developing strategies and cor-              |
| 12 | responding implementation plans that             |
| 13 | identify specific goals and tasks and pro-       |
| 14 | vides a blueprint for how to achieve the         |
| 15 | economic vision for the region; and              |
| 16 | "(vi) identifying resources to support           |
| 17 | the plan of the region;                          |
| 18 | "(B) job training and related activities for     |
| 19 | workers to assist them in gaining the skills and |
| 20 | competencies needed to obtain or upgrade em-     |
| 21 | ployment in industries or economic sectors pro-  |
| 22 | jected to experience significant growth in the   |
| 23 | region, including—                               |
| 24 | "(i) activities supporting talent devel-         |
| 25 | opment related to entrepreneurship and           |

| 1  | small business development in the region;        |
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| 2  | and  |
| 3  | "(ii) the purchase of equipment to               |
| 4  | train job seekers and workers for high-          |
| 5  | growth occupations in the region; and            |
| 6  | "(C) activities to enhance training and re-      |
| 7  | lated activities and to promote workforce devel- |
| 8  | opment in the region, including—                 |
| 9  | "(i) the development and implementa-             |
| 10 | tion of model activities, such as developing     |
| 11 | appropriate curricula to build core com-         |
| 12 | petencies and train workers in the region;       |
| 13 | "(ii) identifying and disseminating ca-          |
| 14 | reer and skill information relating to the       |
| 15 | region;  |
| 16 | "(iii) developing or purchasing re-              |
| 17 | gional data tools or systems to deepen un-       |
| 18 | derstanding of the regional economy and          |
| 19 | labor market; and                                |
| 20 | "(iv) integrated regional planning,              |
| 21 | such as increasing the integration of com-       |
| 22 | munity and technical college activities with     |
| 23 | activities of businesses and the public          |
| 24 | workforce investment system to meet the          |

| 1  | training needs of businesses in the re-              |
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| 2  | gion.".  |
| 3  | SEC. 131. GENERAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.              |
| 4  | Section 195 (29 U.S.C. 2945) is amended—             |
| 5  | (1) in paragraph (7) by inserting at the end the     |
| 6  | following:   |
| 7  | "(D) Funds received by a public or private           |
| 8  | nonprofit entity that are not described in para-     |
| 9  | graph (B), such as funds privately raised from       |
| 10 | philanthropic foundations, businesses, or other      |
| 11 | private entities, shall not be considered to be in-  |
| 12 | come under this title and shall not be subject       |
| 13 | to the requirements of this section."; and           |
| 14 | (2) by adding at the end the following new           |
| 15 | paragraphs:  |
| 16 | "(14) Funds provided under this title shall not      |
| 17 | be used to establish or operate stand-alone fee-for- |
| 18 | service enterprises that compete with private sector |
| 19 | employment agencies within the meaning of section    |
| 20 | 701(c) of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C.    |
| 21 | 2000e(c)). For purposes of this paragraph, such an   |
| 22 | enterprise does not include one-stop centers.        |
| 23 | "(15) Any report required to be submitted to         |
| 24 | Congress, or to a Committee of Congress, under this  |
| 25 | title shall be submitted to both the chairmen and    |

- 1 ranking minority members of the Committee on
- 2 Education and Labor of the House of Representa-
- 3 tives and the Committee on Health, Education,
- 4 Labor, and Pensions of the Senate.".

# 5 TITLE II—ADULT EDUCATION

# 6 AND FAMILY LITERACY EDU-

# 7 **CATION**

- 8 SEC. 201. TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 9 The table of contents in section 1(b) is amended by
- 10 amending the items relating to title II to read as follows:

# "TITLE II—ADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY EDUCATION

- "Sec. 201. Short title.
- "Sec. 202. Purpose.
- "Sec. 203. Definitions.
- "Sec. 204. Home schools.
- "Sec. 205. Authorization of appropriations.

#### "CHAPTER 1—FEDERAL PROVISIONS

- "Sec. 211. Reservation of funds; grants to eligible agencies; allotments.
- "Sec. 212. Performance accountability system.
- "Sec. 213. Incentive grants for States.

#### "Chapter 2—STATE PROVISIONS

- "Sec. 221. State administration.
- "Sec. 222. State distribution of funds; matching requirement.
- "Sec. 223. State leadership activities.
- "Sec. 224. State plan.
- "Sec. 225. Programs for corrections education and other institutionalized individuals.

#### "CHAPTER 3—LOCAL PROVISIONS

- "Sec. 231. Grants and contracts for eligible providers.
- "Sec. 232. Local application.
- "Sec. 233. Local administrative cost limits.

#### "CHAPTER 4—GENERAL PROVISIONS

- "Sec. 241. Administrative provisions.
- "Sec. 242. National Institute for Literacy.
- "Sec. 243. National leadership activities.".

### 1 SEC. 202. AMENDMENT.

- 2 Title II (29 U.S.C. 2901 et seq.) is amended to read
- 3 as follows:

# 4 "TITLE II—ADULT EDUCATION

# 5 AND FAMILY LITERACY EDU-

# 6 CATION

- 7 "SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.
- 8 "This title may be cited as the 'Adult Education and
- 9 Family Literacy Education Act'.
- 10 **"SEC. 202. PURPOSE.**
- "It is the purpose of this title to provide instructional
- 12 opportunities for adults seeking to improve their literacy
- 13 skills, including their basic reading, writing, speaking, and
- 14 math skills, and support States and local communities in
- 15 providing, on a voluntary basis, adult education and family
- 16 literacy education programs, in order to—
- 17 "(1) increase the literacy of adults, including
- the basic reading, writing, speaking, and math skills,
- to a level of proficiency necessary for adults to ob-
- 20 tain employment and self-sufficiency and to success-
- 21 fully advance in the workforce;
- 22 "(2) assist adults in the completion of a sec-
- ondary school education (or its equivalent) and the
- 24 transition to a post-secondary educational institu-
- 25 tion;

"(3) assist adults who are parents to enable them to support the educational development of their children and make informed choices regarding their children's education including, through instruction in basic reading, writing, speaking, and math skills; and

"(4) assist adults who are not proficient in English in improving their reading, writing, speaking, listening, comprehension, and math skills and acquiring an understanding of the American free enterprise system, individual freedom, and the responsibilities of citizenship.

#### 13 "SEC. 203. DEFINITIONS.

"In this title:

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"(1) Adult Education and Family Literacy
Education Programs.—The term 'adult education
and family literacy education programs' means a sequence of academic instruction and educational services below the post-secondary level that increase an
individual's ability to read, write, and speak in
English and perform mathematical computations
leading to a level of proficiency equivalent to at least
a secondary school completion that is provided for
individuals—

"(A) who are at least 16 years of age;

| 1  | "(B) who are not enrolled or required to be     |
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| 2  | enrolled in secondary school under State law;   |
| 3  | and   |
| 4  | "(C) who—                                       |
| 5  | "(i) lack sufficient mastery of basic           |
| 6  | reading, writing, speaking, and math skills     |
| 7  | to enable the individuals to function effec-    |
| 8  | tively in society;                              |
| 9  | "(ii) do not have a secondary school            |
| 10 | diploma, General Educational Development        |
| 11 | credential (GED), or other State-recog-         |
| 12 | nized equivalent and have not achieved an       |
| 13 | equivalent level of education; or               |
| 14 | "(iii) are unable to read, write, or            |
| 15 | speak the English language.                     |
| 16 | "(2) ELIGIBLE AGENCY.—The term 'eligible        |
| 17 | agency'—  |
| 18 | "(A) means the primary entity or agency         |
| 19 | in a State or an outlying area responsible for  |
| 20 | administering or supervising policy for adult   |
| 21 | education and family literacy education pro-    |
| 22 | grams in the State or outlying area, respec-    |
| 23 | tively, consistent with the law of the State or |
| 24 | outlying area, respectively; and                |

| 1  | "(B) may be the State educational agency,            |
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| 2  | the State agency responsible for administering       |
| 3  | workforce investment activities, or the State        |
| 4  | agency responsible for administering community       |
| 5  | or technical colleges.                               |
| 6  | "(3) Eligible Provider.—The term 'eligible           |
| 7  | provider' means—                                     |
| 8  | "(A) a local educational agency;                     |
| 9  | "(B) a community-based or faith-based or-            |
| 10 | ganization of demonstrated effectiveness;            |
| 11 | "(C) a volunteer literacy organization of            |
| 12 | demonstrated effectiveness;                          |
| 13 | "(D) an institution of higher education;             |
| 14 | "(E) a public or private educational agen-           |
| 15 | cy;  |
| 16 | "(F) a library;                                      |
| 17 | "(G) a public housing authority;                     |
| 18 | "(H) an institution that is not described in         |
| 19 | any of subparagraphs (A) through (G) and has         |
| 20 | the ability to provide adult education, basic        |
| 21 | skills, and family literacy education programs to    |
| 22 | adults and families; or                              |
| 23 | "(I) a consortium of the agencies, organi-           |
| 24 | zations, institutions, libraries, or authorities de- |

| 1  | scribed in any of subparagraphs (A) through          |
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| 2  | (H).   |
| 3  | "(4) English language acquisition pro-               |
| 4  | GRAM.—The term 'English language acquisition pro-    |
| 5  | gram' means a program of instruction designed to     |
| 6  | help individuals with limited English proficiency    |
| 7  | achieve competence in reading, writing, and speaking |
| 8  | the English language.                                |
| 9  | "(5) Essential components of reading in-             |
| 10 | STRUCTION.—The term 'essential components of         |
| 11 | reading instruction' has the meaning given to that   |
| 12 | term in section 1208 of the Elementary and Sec-      |
| 13 | ondary Education Act of 1965.                        |
| 14 | "(6) Family Literacy education pro-                  |
| 15 | GRAM.—The term 'family literacy education pro-       |
| 16 | gram' means an educational program that—             |
| 17 | "(A) assists parents and students, on a              |
| 18 | voluntary basis, in achieving the purposes of        |
| 19 | this title as described in section 202; and          |
| 20 | "(B) is of sufficient intensity in terms of          |
| 21 | hours and of sufficient duration to make sus-        |
| 22 | tainable changes in a family, is based upon sci-     |
| 23 | entifically based research, and, for the purpose     |
| 24 | of substantially increasing the ability of parents   |

| 1  | and children to read, write, and speak English,    |
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| 2  | integrates—  |
| 3  | "(i) interactive literacy activities be-           |
| 4  | tween parents and their children;                  |
| 5  | "(ii) training for parents regarding               |
| 6  | how to be the primary teacher for their            |
| 7  | children and full partners in the education        |
| 8  | of their children;                                 |
| 9  | "(iii) parent literacy training that               |
| 10 | leads to economic self-sufficiency; and            |
| 11 | "(iv) an age-appropriate education to              |
| 12 | prepare children for success in school and         |
| 13 | life experiences.                                  |
| 14 | "(7) GOVERNOR.—The term 'Governor' means           |
| 15 | the chief executive officer of a State or outlying |
| 16 | area.  |
| 17 | "(8) Individual with a disability.—                |
| 18 | "(A) In general.—The term 'individual              |
| 19 | with a disability' means an individual with any    |
| 20 | disability (as defined in section 3 of the Ameri-  |
| 21 | cans with Disabilities Act of 1990).               |
| 22 | "(B) Individuals with disabilities.—               |
| 23 | The term 'individuals with disabilities' means     |
| 24 | more than one individual with a disability.        |

| 1  | "(9) Individual with limited english pro-            |
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| 2  | FICIENCY.—The term 'individual with limited          |
| 3  | English proficiency' means an adult or out-of-school |
| 4  | youth who has limited ability in reading, writing,   |
| 5  | speaking, or understanding the English language,     |
| 6  | and—   |
| 7  | "(A) whose native language is a language             |
| 8  | other than English; or                               |
| 9  | "(B) who lives in a family or community              |
| 10 | environment where a language other than              |
| 11 | English is the dominant language.                    |
| 12 | "(10) Institution of higher education.—              |
| 13 | The term 'institution of higher education' has the   |
| 14 | meaning given to that term in section 101 of the     |
| 15 | Higher Education Act of 1965.                        |
| 16 | "(11) LITERACY.—The term 'literacy' means an         |
| 17 | individual's ability to read, write, and speak in    |
| 18 | English, compute, and solve problems at a level of   |
| 19 | proficiency necessary to obtain employment and to    |
| 20 | successfully make the transition to post-secondary   |
| 21 | education.   |
| 22 | "(12) Local educational agency.—The                  |
| 23 | term 'local educational agency' has the meaning      |
| 24 | given to that term in section 9101 of the Elemen-    |
| 25 | tary and Secondary Education Act of 1965             |

| 1  | "(13) OUTLYING AREA.—The term 'outlying             |
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| 2  | area' has the meaning given to that term in section |
| 3  | 101 of this Act.                                    |
| 4  | "(14) Post-secondary educational insti-             |
| 5  | TUTION.—The term 'post-secondary educational in-    |
| 6  | stitution' means—                                   |
| 7  | "(A) an institution of higher education             |
| 8  | that provides not less than a 2-year program of     |
| 9  | instruction that is acceptable for credit toward    |
| 10 | a bachelor's degree;                                |
| 11 | "(B) a tribally controlled community col-           |
| 12 | lege; or  |
| 13 | "(C) a nonprofit educational institution of-        |
| 14 | fering certificate or apprenticeship programs at    |
| 15 | the post-secondary level.                           |
| 16 | "(15) Reading.—The term 'reading' has the           |
| 17 | meaning given to that term in section 1208 of the   |
| 18 | Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.     |
| 19 | "(16) Scientifically based research.—               |
| 20 | The term 'scientifically based research' has the    |
| 21 | meaning given to that term in section 9101 of the   |
| 22 | Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.     |
| 23 | "(17) Secretary.—The term 'Secretary'               |
| 24 | means the Secretary of Education                    |

- 1 "(18) STATE.—The term 'State' means each of 2 the several States of the United States, the District 3 of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
- "(19) STATE EDUCATIONAL AGENCY.—The term 'State educational agency' has the meaning given to that term in section 9101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.
- 6 "(20) WORKPLACE LITERACY PROGRAM.—The 9 term 'workplace literacy program' means an edu-10 cational program that is offered in collaboration be-11 tween eligible providers and employers or employee 12 organizations for the purpose of improving the pro-13 ductivity of the workforce through the improvement 14 of reading, writing, speaking, and math skills.

### 15 "SEC. 204. HOME SCHOOLS.

"Nothing in this title shall be construed to affect home schools, whether or not a home school is treated as a home school or a private school under State law, or to compel a parent engaged in home schooling to participate in an English language acquisition program, a family literacy education program, or an adult education and family literacy education program.

### 1 "SEC. 205. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

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| 2 | "There are authorized          | to be ap | opropriatea | to carry out |

- 3 this title such sums as may be necessary for fiscal years
- 4 2011 through 2015.

### 5 "CHAPTER 1—FEDERAL PROVISIONS

### 6 "SEC. 211. RESERVATION OF FUNDS; GRANTS TO ELIGIBLE

- 7 AGENCIES; ALLOTMENTS.
- 8 "(a) Reservation of Funds.—From the sums ap-
- 9 propriated under section 205 for a fiscal year, the Sec-
- 10 retary—
- 11 "(1) shall reserve up to 1.72 percent for incen-
- tive grants under section 213;
- "(2) shall reserve 1.75 percent to carry out sec-
- 14 tion 242; and
- 15 "(3) shall reserve up to 1.55 percent to carry
- out section 243.
- 17 "(b) Grants to Eligible Agencies.—
- 18 "(1) In General.—From the sums appro-
- priated under section 205 and not reserved under
- subsection (a) for a fiscal year, the Secretary shall
- award a grant to each eligible agency having a State
- plan approved under section 224 in an amount equal
- to the sum of the initial allotment under subsection
- 24 (c)(1) and the additional allotment under subsection
- 25 (c)(2) for the eligible agency for the fiscal year, sub-
- ject to subsections (f) and (g).

1 "(2) PURPOSE OF GRANTS.—The Secretary 2 may award a grant under paragraph (1) only if the 3 eligible agency involved agrees to expend the grant 4 in accordance with the provisions of this title.

## "(c) Allotments.—

- "(1) Initial allotments.—From the sums appropriated under section 205 and not reserved under subsection (a) for a fiscal year, the Secretary shall allot to each eligible agency having a State plan approved under section 224—
  - "(A) \$100,000, in the case of an eligible agency serving an outlying area; and
- 13 "(B) \$250,000, in the case of any other el-14 igible agency.
  - "(2) Additional allotted under section 205, not reserved under subsection (a), and not allotted under paragraph (1), for a fiscal year, the Secretary shall allot to each eligible agency that receives an initial allotment under paragraph (1) an additional amount that bears the same relationship to such sums as the number of qualifying adults in the State or outlying area served by the eligible agency bears to the number of such adults in all States and outlying areas.

| 1  | "(d) QUALIFYING ADULT.—For the purpose of sub-             |
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| 2  | section (c)(2), the term 'qualifying adult' means an adult |
| 3  | who—   |
| 4  | "(1) is at least 16 years of age;                          |
| 5  | "(2) is beyond the age of compulsory school at-            |
| 6  | tendance under the law of the State or outlying            |
| 7  | area;  |
| 8  | "(3) does not have a secondary school diploma,             |
| 9  | General Educational Development credential (GED),          |
| 10 | or other State-recognized equivalent; and                  |
| 11 | "(4) is not enrolled in secondary school.                  |
| 12 | "(e) Special Rule.—  |
| 13 | "(1) In general.—From amounts made avail-                  |
| 14 | able under subsection (c) for the Republic of Palau,       |
| 15 | the Secretary shall award grants to Guam, American         |
| 16 | Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana            |
| 17 | Islands, or the Republic of Palau to carry out activi-     |
| 18 | ties described in this title in accordance with the        |
| 19 | provisions of this title as determined by the Sec-         |
| 20 | retary.  |
| 21 | "(2) Termination of eligibility.—Notwith-                  |
| 22 | standing any other provision of law, the Republic of       |
| 23 | Palau shall be eligible to receive a grant under this      |
| 24 | title until an agreement for the extension of United       |
| 25 | States education assistance under the Compact of           |

- Free Association for the Republic of Palau becomes effective.
- "(3) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—The Secretary
  may provide not more than 5 percent of the funds
  made available for grants under this subsection to
  pay the administrative costs of the Pacific Region
  Educational Laboratory regarding activities assisted
  under this subsection.

### "(f) Hold-Harmless Provisions.—

- "(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsection (c), and subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), for fiscal year 2011 and each succeeding fiscal year, no eligible agency shall receive an allotment under this title that is less than 90 percent of the allotment the eligible agency received for the preceding fiscal year under this title.
- "(2) EXCEPTION.—An eligible agency that receives for the preceding fiscal year only an initial allotment under subsection (c)(1) (and no additional allotment under subsection (c)(2)) shall receive an allotment equal to 100 percent of the initial allotment.
- 23 "(3) RATABLE REDUCTION.—If for any fiscal 24 year the amount available for allotment under this 25 title is insufficient to satisfy the provisions of para-

- graph (1), the Secretary shall ratably reduce the
- 2 payments to all eligible agencies, as necessary.
- 3 "(g) Reallotment.—The portion of any eligible
- 4 agency's allotment under this title for a fiscal year that
- 5 the Secretary determines will not be required for the pe-
- 6 riod such allotment is available for carrying out activities
- 7 under this title, shall be available for reallotment from
- 8 time to time, on such dates during such period as the Sec-
- 9 retary shall fix, to other eligible agencies in proportion to
- 10 the original allotments to such agencies under this title
- 11 for such year.

### 12 "SEC. 212. PERFORMANCE ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM.

- "(a) Purpose.—The purpose of this section is to es-
- 14 tablish a comprehensive performance accountability sys-
- 15 tem, composed of the activities described in this section,
- 16 to assess the effectiveness of eligible agencies in achieving
- 17 continuous improvement of adult education and family lit-
- 18 eracy education programs funded under this title, in order
- 19 to optimize the return on investment of Federal funds in
- 20 adult education and family literacy education programs.
- 21 "(b) Eligible Agency Performance Meas-
- 22 URES.—
- 23 "(1) In general.—For each eligible agency,
- 24 the eligible agency performance measures shall con-
- 25 sist of—

| 1  | "(A)(i) the core indicators of performance    |
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| 2  | described in paragraph (2)(A); and            |
| 3  | "(ii) employment performance indicators       |
| 4  | identified by the eligible agency under para- |
| 5  | graph $(2)(B)$ ; and                          |
| 6  | "(B) an eligible agency adjusted level of     |
| 7  | performance for each indicator described in   |
| 8  | subparagraph (A).                             |
| 9  | "(2) Indicators of Performance.—              |
| 10 | "(A) Core indicators of perform-              |
| 11 | ANCE.—The core indicators of performance      |
| 12 | shall include the following:                  |
| 13 | "(i) Measurable improvements in lit-          |
| 14 | eracy, including basic skill levels in read-  |
| 15 | ing, writing, and speaking the English lan-   |
| 16 | guage and basic math, leading to pro-         |
| 17 | ficiency in each skill.                       |
| 18 | "(ii) Receipt of a secondary school di-       |
| 19 | ploma, General Educational Development        |
| 20 | credential (GED), or other State-recog-       |
| 21 | nized equivalent.                             |
| 22 | "(iii) Placement in post-secondary            |
| 23 | education or other training programs.         |
| 24 | "(B) Employment performance indi-             |
| 25 | CATORS.—Consistent with applicable Federal    |

| 1  | and State privacy laws, an eligible agency shall |
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| 2  | identify in the State plan the following indi-   |
| 3  | vidual participant employment performance in-    |
| 4  | dicators:  |
| 5  | "(i) Entry into employment.                      |
| 6  | "(ii) Retention in employment.                   |
| 7  | "(iii) Increase in earnings.                     |
| 8  | "(3) Levels of Performance.—                     |
| 9  | "(A) ELIGIBLE AGENCY ADJUSTED LEVELS             |
| 10 | OF PERFORMANCE FOR CORE INDICATORS.—             |
| 11 | "(i) In general.—For each eligible               |
| 12 | agency submitting a State plan, there shall      |
| 13 | be established, in accordance with this sub-     |
| 14 | paragraph, levels of performance for each        |
| 15 | of the core indicators of performance de-        |
| 16 | scribed in paragraph (2)(A) for adult edu-       |
| 17 | cation and family literacy education pro-        |
| 18 | grams authorized under this title. The lev-      |
| 19 | els of performance established under this        |
| 20 | subparagraph shall, at a minimum—                |
| 21 | "(I) be expressed in an objective,               |
| 22 | quantifiable, and measurable form;               |
| 23 | and  |
| 24 | "(II) show the progress of the el-               |
| 25 | igible agency toward continuously and            |

| 1 | significantly | improving t  | the agency's  |
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| 2 | performance   | outcomes in  | an objective, |
| 3 | quantifiable, | and measural | ble form.     |

"(ii) IDENTIFICATION IN STATE PLAN.—Each eligible agency shall identify, in the State plan submitted under section 224, expected levels of performance for each of the core indicators of performance for the first 3 program years covered by the State plan.

"(iii) AGREEMENT ON **ELIGIBLE** AGENCY ADJUSTED LEVELS OF PERFORM-ANCE FOR FIRST 3 YEARS.—In order to ensure an optimal return on the investment of Federal funds in adult education and family literacy education programs authorized under this title, the Secretary and each eligible agency shall reach agreement on levels of student performance for each of the core indicators of performance, for the first 3 program years covered by the State plan, taking into account the levels identified in the State plan under clause (ii) and the factors described in clause (iv). The levels agreed to under this clause shall

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| 1  | be considered to be the eligible agency ad-    |
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| 2  | justed levels of performance for the eligible  |
| 3  | agency for such years and shall be incor-      |
| 4  | porated into the State plan prior to the ap-   |
| 5  | proval of such plan.                           |
| 6  | "(iv) Factors.—The agreement de-               |
| 7  | scribed in clause (iii) or (v) shall take into |
| 8  | account—                                       |
| 9  | "(I) how the levels involved com-              |
| 10 | pare with the eligible agency's ad-            |
| 11 | justed levels of performance, taking           |
| 12 | into account factors including the             |
| 13 | characteristics of participants when           |
| 14 | the participants entered the program;          |
| 15 | and  |
| 16 | "(II) the extent to which such                 |
| 17 | levels promote continuous and signifi-         |
| 18 | cant improvement in performance on             |
| 19 | the student proficiency measures used          |
| 20 | by such eligible agency and ensure op-         |
| 21 | timal return on the investment of              |
| 22 | Federal funds.                                 |
| 23 | "(v) Agreement on eligible agen-               |
| 24 | CY ADJUSTED LEVELS OF PERFORMANCE              |
| 25 | FOR SECOND 3 YEARS.—Prior to the fourth        |

program year covered by the State plan, the Secretary and each eligible agency shall reach agreement on levels of student performance for each of the core indicators of performance for the fourth, fifth, and sixth program years covered by the State plan, taking into account the factors described in clause (iv). The levels agreed to under this clause shall be considered to be the eligible agency adjusted levels of performance for the eligible agency for such years and shall be incorporated into the State plan.

"(vi) REVISIONS.—If unanticipated circumstances arise in a State resulting in a significant change in the factors described in clause (iv)(I), the eligible agency may request that the eligible agency adjusted levels of performance agreed to under clause (iii) or (v) be revised.

"(B) LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT PERFORM-ANCE.—The eligible agency shall identify, in the State plan, eligible agency levels of performance for each of the employment performance indicators described in paragraph (2)(B). Such levels

| 1  | shall be considered to be eligible agency ad-                 |
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| 2  | justed levels of performance for purposes of this             |
| 3  | title.  |
| 4  | "(c) Definitions for Indicators of Perform-                   |
| 5  | ANCE.—In order to ensure comparability of performance         |
| 6  | data across States, the Secretary shall issue definitions for |
| 7  | the indicators of performance under paragraph (2).            |
| 8  | "(d) Report.—   |
| 9  | "(1) In General.—Each eligible agency that                    |
| 10 | receives a grant under section 211(b) shall annually          |
| 11 | prepare and submit to the Secretary, the Governor             |
| 12 | the State legislature, and eligible providers a report        |
| 13 | on the progress of the eligible agency in achieving el-       |
| 14 | igible agency performance measures, including the             |
| 15 | following:  |
| 16 | "(A) Information on the levels of perform-                    |
| 17 | ance achieved by the eligible agency with re-                 |
| 18 | spect to the core indicators of performance and               |
| 19 | employment performance indicators.                            |
| 20 | "(B) The number and type of each eligible                     |
| 21 | provider that receives funding under such                     |
| 22 | grant.  |
| 23 | "(2) Information dissemination.—The Sec-                      |
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| 1  | "(A) shall make the information contained                    |
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| 2  | in such reports available to the general public              |
| 3  | through publication (including on the Internet               |
| 4  | site of the Department of Education) and other               |
| 5  | appropriate methods;   |
| 6  | "(B) shall disseminate State-by-State com-                   |
| 7  | parisons of the information; and                             |
| 8  | "(C) shall provide the appropriate commit-                   |
| 9  | tees of the Congress with copies of such re-                 |
| 10 | ports.   |
| 11 | "SEC. 213. INCENTIVE GRANTS FOR STATES.                      |
| 12 | "(a) In General.—From funds appropriated under               |
| 13 | section 211(a)(1), the Secretary may award grants to         |
| 14 | States for exemplary performance in carrying out pro-        |
| 15 | grams under this title. Such awards shall be based on        |
| 16 | States exceeding the core indicators of performance estab-   |
| 17 | lished under section 212(b)(2)(A) and may be based on        |
| 18 | the performance of the State in serving populations, such    |
| 19 | as those described in section 224(b)(10), including the lev- |
| 20 | els of service provided and the performance outcomes, and    |
| 21 | such other factors relating to the performance of the State  |
| 22 | under this title as the Secretary determines appropriate.    |
| 23 | "(b) Use of Funds.—The funds awarded to a State              |

24 under this paragraph may be used to carry out any activi-

| 1  | ties authorized under this title, including demonstrations |
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| 2  | and innovative programs for hard-to-serve populations.     |
| 3  | "CHAPTER 2—STATE PROVISIONS                                |
| 4  | "SEC. 221. STATE ADMINISTRATION.                           |
| 5  | "Each eligible agency shall be responsible for the fol-    |
| 6  | lowing activities under this title:                        |
| 7  | "(1) The development, submission, implementa-              |
| 8  | tion, and monitoring of the State plan.                    |
| 9  | "(2) Consultation with other appropriate agen-             |
| 10 | cies, groups, and individuals that are involved in, or     |
| 11 | interested in, the development and implementation          |
| 12 | of activities assisted under this title.                   |
| 13 | "(3) Coordination and avoidance of duplication             |
| 14 | with other Federal and State education, training,          |
| 15 | corrections, public housing, and social service pro-       |
| 16 | grams.   |
| 17 | "SEC. 222. STATE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS; MATCHING RE-       |
| 18 | QUIREMENT.   |
| 19 | "(a) State Distribution of Funds.—Each eligi-              |
| 20 | ble agency receiving a grant under this title for a fiscal |
| 21 | year—  |
| 22 | "(1) shall use an amount not less than $82.5$              |
| 23 | percent of the grant funds to award grants and con-        |
| 24 | tracts under section 231 and to carry out section          |

| 1  | 225, of which not more than 10 percent of such         |
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| 2  | amount shall be available to carry out section 225;    |
| 3  | "(2) shall use not more than 12.5 percent of           |
| 4  | the grant funds to carry out State leadership activi-  |
| 5  | ties under section 223; and                            |
| 6  | "(3) shall use not more than 5 percent of the          |
| 7  | grant funds, or \$75,000, whichever is greater, for    |
| 8  | the administrative expenses of the eligible agency.    |
| 9  | "(b) Matching Requirement.—                            |
| 10 | "(1) In general.—In order to receive a grant           |
| 11 | from the Secretary under section 211(b), each eligi-   |
| 12 | ble agency shall provide, for the costs to be incurred |
| 13 | by the eligible agency in carrying out the adult edu-  |
| 14 | cation and family literacy education programs for      |
| 15 | which the grant is awarded, a non-Federal contribu-    |
| 16 | tion in an amount at least equal to—                   |
| 17 | "(A) in the case of an eligible agency serv-           |
| 18 | ing an outlying area, 12 percent of the total          |
| 19 | amount of funds expended for adult education           |
| 20 | and family literacy education programs in the          |
| 21 | outlying area, except that the Secretary may           |
| 22 | decrease the amount of funds required under            |
| 23 | this subparagraph for an eligible agency; and          |
| 24 | "(B) in the case of an eligible agency serv-           |
| 25 | ing a State 25 percent of the total amount of          |

- funds expended for adult education and family literacy education programs in the State.
- "(2) Non-federal contribution.—An eligible agency's non-Federal contribution required under paragraph (1) may be provided in cash or in kind, fairly evaluated, and shall include only non-Federal funds that are used for adult education and family literacy education programs in a manner that is consistent with the purpose of this title.

### 10 "SEC. 223. STATE LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES.

- "(a) IN GENERAL.—Each eligible agency may use funds made available under section 222(a)(2) for any of the following adult education and family literacy education programs:
  - "(1) The establishment or operation of professional development programs to improve the quality of instruction provided pursuant to local activities required under section 231(b), including instruction incorporating the essential components of reading instruction and instruction provided by volunteers or by personnel of a State or outlying area.
  - "(2) The provision of technical assistance to eligible providers of adult education and family literacy education programs, including for the development and dissemination of scientifically based research in-

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- structional practices in reading, writing, speaking,
  math, and English language acquisition programs.
- "(3) The provision of assistance to eligible providers in developing, implementing, and reporting measurable progress in achieving the objectives of this title.
  - "(4) The provision of technology assistance, including staff training, to eligible providers of adult education and family literacy education programs, including distance learning activities, to enable the eligible providers to improve the quality of such activities.
  - "(5) The development and implementation of technology applications or distance learning, including professional development to support the use of instructional technology.
  - "(6) Coordination with other public programs, including welfare-to-work, workforce development, and job training programs.
  - "(7) Coordination with existing support services, such as transportation, child care, and other assistance designed to increase rates of enrollment in, and successful completion of, adult education and family literacy education programs, for adults enrolled in such activities.

| 1  | "(8) The development and implementation of a                 |
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| 2  | system to assist in the transition from adult basic          |
| 3  | education to post-secondary education.                       |
| 4  | "(9) Activities to promote workplace literacy                |
| 5  | programs.  |
| 6  | "(10) Activities to promote and complement                   |
| 7  | local outreach initiatives described in section $243(7)$ .   |
| 8  | "(11) Other activities of statewide significance,            |
| 9  | including assisting eligible providers in achieving          |
| 10 | progress in improving the skill levels of adults who         |
| 11 | participate in programs under this title.                    |
| 12 | "(12) Integration of literacy, instructional, and            |
| 13 | occupational skill training and promotion of linkages        |
| 14 | with employees.  |
| 15 | "(b) Coordination.—In carrying out this section,             |
| 16 | eligible agencies shall coordinate where possible, and avoid |
| 17 | duplicating efforts, in order to maximize the impact of the  |
| 18 | activities described in subsection (a).                      |
| 19 | "(c) State-Imposed Requirements.—Whenever a                  |
| 20 | State or outlying area implements any rule or policy relat-  |
| 21 | ing to the administration or operation of a program au-      |
| 22 | thorized under this title that has the effect of imposing    |
| 23 | a requirement that is not imposed under Federal law (in-     |
| 24 | cluding any rule or policy based on a State or outlying      |
| 25 | area interpretation of a Federal statute, regulation, or     |

| 1  | guideline), the State or outlying area shall identify, to eli- |
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| 2  | gible providers, the rule or policy as being imposed by the    |
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| 3  | State or outlying area.  |
| 4  | "SEC. 224. STATE PLAN.   |
| 5  | "(a) 6-Year Plans.—  |
| 6  | "(1) IN GENERAL.—Each eligible agency desir-                   |
| 7  | ing a grant under this title for any fiscal year shall         |
| 8  | submit to, or have on file with, the Secretary a 6-            |
| 9  | year State plan.   |
| 10 | "(2) Comprehensive plan or applica-                            |
| 11 | TION.—The eligible agency may submit the State                 |
| 12 | plan as part of a comprehensive plan or application            |
| 13 | for Federal education assistance.                              |
| 14 | "(b) Plan Contents.—The eligible agency shall in-              |
| 15 | clude in the State plan or any revisions to the State plan—    |
| 16 | "(1) an objective assessment of the needs of in-               |
| 17 | dividuals in the State or outlying area for adult edu-         |
| 18 | cation and family literacy education programs, in-             |
| 19 | cluding individuals most in need or hardest to serve;          |
| 20 | "(2) a description of the adult education and                  |
| 21 | family literacy education programs that will be car-           |
| 22 | ried out with funds received under this title;                 |
| 23 | "(3) a description of how the eligible agency                  |
| 24 | will evaluate and measure annually the effectiveness           |
| 25 | and improvement of the adult education and family              |

| 1  | literacy education programs based on the perform-    |
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| 2  | ance measures described in section 212 including—    |
| 3  | "(A) how the eligible agency will evaluate           |
| 4  | and measure annually such effectiveness on a         |
| 5  | grant-by-grant basis; and                            |
| 6  | "(B) how the eligible agency—                        |
| 7  | "(i) will hold eligible providers ac-                |
| 8  | countable regarding the progress of such             |
| 9  | providers in improving the academic                  |
| 10 | achievement of participants in adult edu-            |
| 11 | cation programs under this title and re-             |
| 12 | garding the core indicators of performance           |
| 13 | described in section 212(b)(2)(A); and               |
| 14 | "(ii) will use technical assistance,                 |
| 15 | sanctions, and rewards (including alloca-            |
| 16 | tion of grant funds based on performance             |
| 17 | and termination of grant funds based on              |
| 18 | nonperformance);                                     |
| 19 | "(4) a description of the performance measures       |
| 20 | described in section 212 and how such performance    |
| 21 | measures have significantly improved adult edu-      |
| 22 | cation and family literacy education programs in the |
| 23 | State or outlying area;                              |
| 24 | "(5) an assurance that the eligible agency will,     |
| 25 | in addition to meeting all of the other requirements |

| 1  | of this title, award not less than one grant under    |
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| 2  | this title to an eligible provider that—              |
| 3  | "(A) offers flexible schedules and necessary          |
| 4  | support services (such as child care and trans-       |
| 5  | portation) to enable individuals, including indi-     |
| 6  | viduals with disabilities, or individuals with        |
| 7  | other special needs, to participate in adult edu-     |
| 8  | cation and family literacy education programs         |
| 9  | and   |
| 10 | "(B) attempts to coordinate with support              |
| 11 | services that are not provided under this title       |
| 12 | prior to using funds for adult education and          |
| 13 | family literacy education programs provided           |
| 14 | under this title for support services;                |
| 15 | "(6) an assurance that the funds received under       |
| 16 | this title will not be expended for any purpose other |
| 17 | than for activities under this title;                 |
| 18 | "(7) a description of how the eligible agency         |
| 19 | will fund local activities in accordance with the     |
| 20 | measurable goals described in section 231(d);         |
| 21 | "(8) an assurance that the eligible agency wil        |
| 22 | expend the funds under this title only in a manner    |
| 23 | consistent with fiscal requirements in section 241;   |

| "(9) a description of the process that will be     |
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| used for public participation and comment with re- |
| spect to the State plan, which process—            |

"(A) shall include consultation with the State workforce investment board, the State board responsible for administering community or technical colleges, the Governor, the State educational agency, the State board or agency responsible for administering block grants for temporary assistance to needy families under title IV of the Social Security Act, the State council on disabilities, the State vocational rehabilitation agency, other State agencies that promote the improvement of adult education and family literacy education programs, and direct providers of such programs; and

"(B) may include consultation with the State agency on higher education, institutions responsible for professional development of adult education and family literacy education programs instructors, representatives of business and industry, refugee assistance programs, and faith-based organizations;

| 1  | "(10) a description of the eligible agency's          |
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| 2  | strategies for serving populations that include, at a |
| 3  | minimum—  |
| 4  | "(A) low-income individuals;                          |
| 5  | "(B) individuals with disabilities;                   |
| 6  | "(C) the unemployed;                                  |
| 7  | "(D) the underemployed; and                           |
| 8  | "(E) individuals with multiple barriers to            |
| 9  | educational enhancement, including individuals        |
| 10 | with limited English proficiency;                     |
| 11 | "(11) a description of how the adult education        |
| 12 | and family literacy education programs that will be   |
| 13 | carried out with any funds received under this title  |
| 14 | will be integrated with other adult education, career |
| 15 | development, and employment and training activities   |
| 16 | in the State or outlying area served by the eligible  |
| 17 | agency;   |
| 18 | "(12) a description of the steps the eligible         |
| 19 | agency will take to ensure direct and equitable ac-   |
| 20 | cess, as required in section 231(c)(1), including—    |
| 21 | "(A) how the State will build the capacity            |
| 22 | of community-based and faith-based organiza-          |
| 23 | tions to provide adult education and family lit-      |
| 24 | eracy education programs; and                         |

| 1  | "(B) how the State will increase the par-                   |
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| 2  | ticipation of business and industry in adult edu-           |
| 3  | cation and family literacy education programs;              |
| 4  | "(13) an assessment of the adequacy of the sys-             |
| 5  | tem of the State or outlying area to ensure teacher         |
| 6  | quality and a description of how the State or out-          |
| 7  | lying area will use funds received under this subtitle      |
| 8  | to improve teacher quality, including professional de-      |
| 9  | velopment on the use of scientifically based research       |
| 10 | to improve instruction; and                                 |
| 11 | "(14) a description of how the eligible agency              |
| 12 | will consult with any State agency responsible for          |
| 13 | post-secondary education to develop adult education         |
| 14 | that prepares students to enter post-secondary edu-         |
| 15 | cation without the need for remediation upon com-           |
| 16 | pletion of secondary school equivalency programs.           |
| 17 | "(c) Plan Revisions.—When changes in conditions             |
| 18 | or other factors require substantial revisions to an ap-    |
| 19 | proved State plan, the eligible agency shall submit the re- |
| 20 | visions of the State plan to the Secretary.                 |
| 21 | "(d) Consultation.—The eligible agency shall—               |
| 22 | "(1) submit the State plan, and any revisions to            |
| 23 | the State plan, to the Governor, the chief State            |
| 24 | school officer, or the State officer responsible for ad-    |

| 1  | ministering community or technical colleges, or out-  |
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| 2  | lying area for review and comment; and                |
| 3  | "(2) ensure that any comments regarding the           |
| 4  | State plan by the Governor, the chief State school    |
| 5  | officer, or the State officer responsible for admin-  |
| 6  | istering community or technical colleges, and any re- |
| 7  | vision to the State plan, are submitted to the Sec-   |
| 8  | retary.   |
| 9  | "(e) Plan Approval.—The Secretary shall—              |
| 10 | "(1) establish a peer review process to assist in     |
| 11 | the review and approval of State plans;               |
| 12 | "(2) appoint individuals representing the range       |
| 13 | of stakeholders to the peer-review process, includ-   |
| 14 | ing—  |
| 15 | "(A) representatives of adult learners,               |
| 16 | adult education, and literacy providers, eligible     |
| 17 | agencies, State educational agencies, institu-        |
| 18 | tions of higher education, representatives of         |
| 19 | local or State workforce investment boards; and       |
| 20 | "(B) experts in the fields of adult edu-              |
| 21 | cation and literacy;                                  |
| 22 | "(3) approve a State plan within 120 days after       |
| 23 | receiving the plan unless the Secretary makes a writ- |
| 24 | ten determination within 30 days after receiving the  |
| 25 | plan that the plan does not meet the requirements     |

| 1  | of this section or is inconsistent with specific provi-   |
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| 2  | sions of this subtitle; and   |
| 3  | "(4) not finally disapprove of a State plan be-   |
| 4  | fore offering the eligible agency the opportunity,  |
| 5  | prior to the expiration of the 30-day period begin-   |
| 6  | ning on the date on which the eligible agency re-   |
| 7  | ceived the written determination described in para-   |
| 8  | graph (3), to review the plan and providing technical   |
| 9  | assistance in order to assist the eligible agency in  |
| 10   | meeting the requirements of this subtitle.  |
| 11   | "SEC. 225. PROGRAMS FOR CORRECTIONS EDUCATION AND   |
| 12   | OTHER INSTITUTIONALIZED INDIVIDUALS.  |
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| 13   | "(a) Program Authorized.—From funds made  |
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| 13   | "(a) Program Authorized.—From funds made  |
| 13<br>14   | "(a) Program Authorized.—From funds made available under section 222(a)(1) for a fiscal year, each  |
| 13<br>14<br>15                                     | "(a) Program Authorized.—From funds made available under section 222(a)(1) for a fiscal year, each eligible agency shall carry out corrections education and  |
| 13<br>14<br>15<br>16<br>17                         | "(a) Program Authorized.—From funds made available under section 222(a)(1) for a fiscal year, each eligible agency shall carry out corrections education and education for other institutionalized individuals.   |
| 13<br>14<br>15<br>16<br>17                         | "(a) Program Authorized.—From funds made available under section 222(a)(1) for a fiscal year, each eligible agency shall carry out corrections education and education for other institutionalized individuals.  "(b) USES OF FUNDS.—The funds described in sub-  |
| 13<br>14<br>15<br>16<br>17                         | "(a) Program Authorized.—From funds made available under section 222(a)(1) for a fiscal year, each eligible agency shall carry out corrections education and education for other institutionalized individuals.  "(b) Uses of Funds.—The funds described in subsection (a) shall be used for the cost of educational pro-   |
| 13<br>14<br>15<br>16<br>17<br>18                   | "(a) Program Authorized.—From funds made available under section 222(a)(1) for a fiscal year, each eligible agency shall carry out corrections education and education for other institutionalized individuals.  "(b) USES OF FUNDS.—The funds described in subsection (a) shall be used for the cost of educational programs for criminal offenders in correctional institutions   |
| 13<br>14<br>15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20       | "(a) Program Authorized.—From funds made available under section 222(a)(1) for a fiscal year, each eligible agency shall carry out corrections education and education for other institutionalized individuals.  "(b) Uses of Funds.—The funds described in subsection (a) shall be used for the cost of educational programs for criminal offenders in correctional institutions and for other institutionalized individuals, including aca-                   |
| 13<br>14<br>15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20<br>21 | "(a) Program Authorized.—From funds made available under section 222(a)(1) for a fiscal year, each eligible agency shall carry out corrections education and education for other institutionalized individuals.  "(b) Uses of Funds.—The funds described in subsection (a) shall be used for the cost of educational programs for criminal offenders in correctional institutions and for other institutionalized individuals, including academic programs for— |

| 1  | "(3) reading, writing, speaking, and math pro-                 |
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| 2  | grams; and   |
| 3  | "(4) secondary school credit or diploma pro-                   |
| 4  | grams or their recognized equivalent.                          |
| 5  | "(c) Priority.—Each eligible agency that is using              |
| 6  | assistance provided under this section to carry out a pro-     |
| 7  | gram for criminal offenders within a correctional institu-     |
| 8  | tion shall give priority to serving individuals who are likely |
| 9  | to leave the correctional institution within 5 years of par-   |
| 10 | ticipation in the program.                                     |
| 11 | "(d) Definitions.—For purposes of this section:                |
| 12 | "(1) CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION.—The term                        |
| 13 | 'correctional institution' means any—                          |
| 14 | "(A) prison;   |
| 15 | "(B) jail;   |
| 16 | "(C) reformatory;  |
| 17 | "(D) work farm;  |
| 18 | "(E) detention center; or                                      |
| 19 | "(F) halfway house, community-based re-                        |
| 20 | habilitation center, or any other similar institu-             |
| 21 | tion designed for the confinement or rehabilita-               |
| 22 | tion of criminal offenders.                                    |
| 23 | "(2) Criminal offender.—The term 'crimi-                       |
| 24 | nal offender' means any individual who is charged              |
| 25 | with, or convicted of, any criminal offense.                   |

| 1  | "CHAPTER 3—LOCAL PROVISIONS                                    |
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| 2  | "SEC. 231. GRANTS AND CONTRACTS FOR ELIGIBLE PRO-              |
| 3  | VIDERS.  |
| 4  | "(a) Grants and Contracts.—From grant funds                    |
| 5  | made available under section 211(b), each eligible agency      |
| 6  | shall award multi year grants or contracts, on a competi-      |
| 7  | tive basis, to eligible providers within the State or outlying |
| 8  | area that meet the conditions and requirements of this         |
| 9  | title to enable the eligible providers to develop, implement,  |
| 10 | and improve adult education and family literacy education      |
| 11 | programs within the State.                                     |
| 12 | "(b) Local Activities.—The eligible agency shall               |
| 13 | require eligible providers receiving a grant or contract       |
| 14 | under subsection (a) to establish or operate one or more       |
| 15 | programs of instruction that provide services or instruc-      |
| 16 | tion in one or more of the following categories:               |
| 17 | "(1) Adult education and family literacy edu-                  |
| 18 | cation programs (including proficiency in reading,             |
| 19 | writing, speaking, and math).                                  |
| 20 | "(2) Workplace literacy programs.                              |
| 21 | "(3) English language acquisition programs.                    |
| 22 | "(4) Family literacy education programs.                       |
| 23 | "(c) DIRECT AND EQUITABLE ACCESS; SAME PROC-                   |
| 24 | ESS.—Each eligible agency receiving funds under this title     |
| 25 | shall ensure that—   |

| 1  | "(1) all eligible providers have direct and equi-        |
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| 2  | table access to apply for grants or contracts under      |
| 3  | this section; and  |
| 4  | "(2) the same grant or contract announcement             |
| 5  | process and application process is used for all eligi-   |
| 6  | ble providers in the State or outlying area.             |
| 7  | "(d) Measurable Goals.—The eligible agency shall         |
| 8  | require eligible providers receiving a grant or contract |
| 9  | under subsection (a) to demonstrate—                     |
| 10 | "(1) the eligible provider's measurable goals for        |
| 11 | participant outcomes to be achieved annually on the      |
| 12 | core indicators of performance and employment per-       |
| 13 | formance indicators described in section 212(b)(2);      |
| 14 | "(2) the past effectiveness of the eligible pro-         |
| 15 | vider in improving the basic academic skills of adults   |
| 16 | and, for eligible providers receiving grants in the      |
| 17 | prior year, the success of the eligible provider receiv- |
| 18 | ing funding under this title in exceeding its perform-   |
| 19 | ance goals in the prior year;                            |
| 20 | "(3) the commitment of the eligible provider to          |
| 21 | serve individuals in the community who are the most      |
| 22 | in need of basic academic skills instruction services,   |
| 23 | including individuals who are low-income or have         |
| 24 | minimal reading, writing, speaking, and math skills,     |

or limited English proficiency;

| 1  | "(4) the program—                                     |
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| 2  | "(A) is of sufficient intensity and duration          |
| 3  | for participants to achieve substantial learning      |
| 4  | gains; and  |
| 5  | "(B) uses instructional practices that in-            |
| 6  | clude the essential components of reading in-         |
| 7  | struction;  |
| 8  | "(5) educational practices are based on scientif-     |
| 9  | ically based research;                                |
| 10 | "(6) the activities of the eligible provider effec-   |
| 11 | tively employ advances in technology, as appropriate, |
| 12 | including the use of computers;                       |
| 13 | "(7) the activities provide instruction in real-life  |
| 14 | contexts, when appropriate, to ensure that an indi-   |
| 15 | vidual has the skills needed to compete in the work-  |
| 16 | place and exercise the rights and responsibilities of |
| 17 | citizenship;  |
| 18 | "(8) the activities are staffed by well-trained in-   |
| 19 | structors, counselors, and administrators;            |
| 20 | "(9) the activities are coordinated with other        |
| 21 | available resources in the community, such as         |
| 22 | through strong links with elementary schools and      |
| 23 | secondary schools, post-secondary educational insti-  |
| 24 | tutions, one-stop centers, job training programs,     |

| 1  | community-based and faith-based organizations, and       |
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| 2  | social service agencies;                                 |
| 3  | "(10) the activities offer flexible schedules and        |
| 4  | support services (such as child care and transpor-       |
| 5  | tation) that are necessary to enable individuals, in-    |
| 6  | cluding individuals with disabilities or other special   |
| 7  | needs, to attend and complete programs;                  |
| 8  | "(11) the activities include a high-quality infor-       |
| 9  | mation management system that has the capacity to        |
| 10 | report measurable participant outcomes and to mon-       |
| 11 | itor program performance against the performance         |
| 12 | measures established by the eligible agency;             |
| 13 | "(12) the local communities have a dem-                  |
| 14 | onstrated need for additional English language ac-       |
| 15 | quisition programs;                                      |
| 16 | "(13) the capacity of the eligible provider to           |
| 17 | produce valid information on performance results,        |
| 18 | including enrollments and measurable participant         |
| 19 | outcomes;  |
| 20 | "(14) adult education and family literacy edu-           |
| 21 | cation programs offer rigorous reading, writing,         |
| 22 | speaking, and math content that are based on sci-        |
| 23 | entifically based research; and                          |
| 24 | "(15) applications of technology, and services to        |
| 25 | be provided by the eligible providers, are of sufficient |

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| 1  | intensity and duration to increase the amount and            |
| 2  | quality of learning and lead to measurable learning          |
| 3  | gains within specified time periods.                         |
| 4  | "(e) Special Rule.—Eligible providers may use                |
| 5  | grant funds under this title to serve children participating |
| 6  | in family literacy programs assisted under this part, pro-   |
| 7  | vided that other sources of funds available to provide simi- |
| 8  | lar services for such children are used first.               |
| 9  | "SEC. 232. LOCAL APPLICATION.                                |
| 10 | "Each eligible provider desiring a grant or contract         |
| 11 | under this title shall submit an application to the eligible |
| 12 | agency containing such information and assurances as the     |
| 13 | eligible agency may require, including—                      |
| 14 | (1) a description of how funds awarded under                 |
| 15 | this title will be spent consistent with the require-        |
| 16 | ments of this title;   |
| 17 | "(2) a description of any cooperative arrange-               |
| 18 | ments the eligible provider has with other agencies,         |
| 19 | institutions, or organizations for the delivery of           |
| 20 | adult education and family literacy education pro-           |
| 21 | grams; and   |
| 22 | "(3) each of the demonstrations required by                  |

section 231(d).

## 1 "SEC. 233. LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE COST LIMITS.

- 2 "(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), of the
- 3 amount that is made available under this title to an eligi-
- 4 ble provider—
- 5 "(1) at least 95 percent shall be expended for
- 6 carrying out adult education and family literacy edu-
- 7 cation programs; and
- 8 "(2) the remaining amount shall be used for
- 9 planning, administration, personnel and professional
- development, development of measurable goals in
- 11 reading, writing, speaking, and math, and inter-
- agency coordination.
- 13 "(b) Special Rule.—In cases where the cost limits
- 14 described in subsection (a) are too restrictive to allow for
- 15 adequate planning, administration, personnel develop-
- 16 ment, and interagency coordination, the eligible provider
- 17 may negotiate with the eligible agency in order to deter-
- 18 mine an adequate level of funds to be used for noninstruc-
- 19 tional purposes.

## 20 **"CHAPTER 4—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- 21 "SEC. 241. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.
- 22 "(a) Supplement Not Supplant.—Funds made
- 23 available for adult education and family literacy education
- 24 programs under this title shall supplement and not sup-
- 25 plant other State or local public funds expended for adult
- 26 education and family literacy education programs.

| 1  | (b) MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT.—                        |
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| 2  | "(1) In General.—                                  |
| 3  | "(A) DETERMINATION.—An eligible agency             |
| 4  | may receive funds under this title for any fiscal  |
| 5  | year if the Secretary finds that the fiscal effort |
| 6  | per student or the aggregate expenditures of       |
| 7  | such eligible agency for activities under this     |
| 8  | title, in the second preceding fiscal year, were   |
| 9  | not less than 90 percent of the fiscal effort per  |
| 10 | student or the aggregate expenditures of such      |
| 11 | eligible agency for adult education and family     |
| 12 | literacy education programs, in the third pre-     |
| 13 | ceding fiscal year.                                |
| 14 | "(B) Proportionate Reduction.—Sub-                 |
| 15 | ject to paragraphs (2), (3), and (4), for any fis- |
| 16 | cal year with respect to which the Secretary de-   |
| 17 | termines under subparagraph (A) that the fiscal    |
| 18 | effort or the aggregate expenditures of an eligi-  |
| 19 | ble agency for the preceding program year were     |
| 20 | less than such effort or expenditures for the      |
| 21 | second preceding program year, the Secretary—      |
| 22 | "(i) shall determine the percentage                |
| 23 | decreases in such effort or in such expendi-       |
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- 1 "(ii) shall decrease the payment made 2 under this title for such program year to 3 the agency for adult education and family 4 literacy education programs by the lesser 5 of such percentages.
  - "(2) Computation.—In computing the fiscal effort and aggregate expenditures under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall exclude capital expenditures and special one-time project costs.
  - "(3) Decrease in federal support.—If the amount made available for adult education and family literacy education programs under this title for a fiscal year is less than the amount made available for adult education and family literacy education programs under this title for the preceding fiscal year, then the fiscal effort per student and the aggregate expenditures of an eligible agency required in order to avoid a reduction under paragraph (1)(B) shall be decreased by the same percentage as the percentage decrease in the amount so made available.
  - "(4) WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive the requirements of this subsection for not more than 1 fiscal year, if the Secretary determines that a waiver would be equitable due to exceptional or uncontrol-

1 lable circumstances, such as a natural disaster or an 2 unforeseen and precipitous decline in the financial 3 resources of the State or outlying area of the eligible 4 agency. If the Secretary grants a waiver under the 5 preceding sentence for a fiscal year, the level of ef-6 fort required under paragraph (1) shall not be re-7 duced in the subsequent fiscal year because of the waiver. 8

## 9 "SEC. 242. NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY.

- 10 "(a) IN GENERAL.—
- 11 "(1) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the National 12 Institute for Literacy is to promote the improvement 13 of literacy, including skills in reading, writing, and 14 English language acquisition for children, youth, and 15 adults, through practices derived from the findings 16 of scientifically based research.
  - "(2) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a National Institute for Literacy (in this section referred to as the 'Institute'). The Institute shall be administered under the terms of an interagency agreement entered into, reviewed annually, and modified as needed by the Secretary of Education with the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Labor (in this section referred to as the 'Interagency Group').

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| 1  | "(3) Offices.—The Institute shall have offices         |
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| 2  | separate from the offices of the Department of Edu-    |
| 3  | cation, the Department of Health and Human Serv-       |
| 4  | ices, and the Department of Labor.                     |
| 5  | "(4) Administrative support.—The Depart-               |
| 6  | ment of Education shall provide administrative sup-    |
| 7  | port for the Institute.                                |
| 8  | "(5) Daily operations.—The Director of the             |
| 9  | Institute shall administer the daily operations of the |
| 10 | Institute.   |
| 11 | "(b) Duties.—  |
| 12 | "(1) In general.—To carry out its purpose,             |
| 13 | the Institute may—                                     |
| 14 | "(A) identify and disseminate rigorous sci-            |
| 15 | entific research on the effectiveness of instruc-      |
| 16 | tional practices and organizational strategies re-     |
| 17 | lating to programs on the acquisition of skills        |
| 18 | in reading, writing, and English language ac-          |
| 19 | quisition for children, youth, and adults;             |
| 20 | "(B) create and widely disseminate mate-               |
| 21 | rials about the acquisition and application of         |
| 22 | skills in reading, writing, and English language       |
| 23 | acquisition for children, youth, and adults based      |
| 24 | on scientifically based research:                      |

"(C) ensure a broad understanding of sci-1 2 entifically based research on reading, writing, 3 and English language acquisition for children, 4 youth, and adults among Federal agencies with 5 responsibilities for administering programs that 6 provide related services, including State and 7 local educational agencies; "(D) facilitate coordination and informa-8 9 tion sharing among national organizations and 10 associations interested in programs that provide

services to improve skills in reading, writing, and English language acquisition for children, youth, and adults;

"(E) coordinate with the appropriate offices in the Department of Education, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Labor, and other Federal agencies to apply the findings of scientifically based research related to programs on reading, writing, and English language acquisition for children, youth, and adults;

"(F) establish a national electronic database and Internet site describing and fostering communication on scientifically based programs in reading, writing, and English language ac-

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| 1  | quisition for children, youth, and adults, includ-     |
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| 2  | ing professional development programs; and             |
| 3  | "(G) provide opportunities for technical as-           |
| 4  | sistance, meetings, and conferences that will          |
| 5  | foster increased coordination among Federal,           |
| 6  | State, and local agencies and entities and im-         |
| 7  | provement of reading, writing, and English lan-        |
| 8  | guage acquisition skills for children, youth, and      |
| 9  | adults.  |
| 10 | "(2) COORDINATION.—In identifying scientif-            |
| 11 | ically based research on reading, writing, and         |
| 12 | English language acquisition for children, youth, and  |
| 13 | adults, the Institute shall use standards for research |
| 14 | quality that are consistent with those established by  |
| 15 | the Institute of Education Sciences.                   |
| 16 | "(3) Grants, contracts, and cooperative                |
| 17 | AGREEMENTS.—   |
| 18 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—The Institute may                     |
| 19 | award grants to, or enter into contracts or co-        |
| 20 | operative agreements with, individuals, public         |
| 21 | or private institutions, agencies, organizations,      |
| 22 | or consortia of such individuals, institutions,        |
| 23 | agencies, or organizations, to carry out the ac-       |

tivities of the Institute.

| 1  | "(B) REGULATIONS.—The Director may                       |
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| 2  | adopt the general administrative regulations of          |
| 3  | the Department of Education, as applicable, for          |
| 4  | use by the Institute.                                    |
| 5  | "(C) RELATION TO OTHER LAWS.—The                         |
| 6  | duties and powers of the Institute under this            |
| 7  | title are in addition to the duties and powers of        |
| 8  | the Institute under subparts 1, 2, and 3 of part         |
| 9  | B of the Elementary and Secondary Education              |
| 10 | Act of 1965 (commonly referred to as Reading             |
| 11 | First, Early Reading First, and the William F.           |
| 12 | Goodling Even Start Family Literacy Program,             |
| 13 | respectively).   |
| 14 | "(c) Visiting Scholars.—The Institute may estab-         |
| 15 | lish a visiting scholars program, with such stipends and |
| 16 | allowances as the Director considers necessary, for out- |
| 17 | standing researchers, scholars, and individuals who—     |
| 18 | "(1) have careers in adult education, workforce          |
| 19 | development, or scientifically based reading, writing,   |
| 20 | or English language acquisition; and                     |
| 21 | "(2) can assist the Institute in translating re-         |
| 22 | search into practice and providing analysis that ad-     |
| 23 | vances instruction in the fields of reading, writing,    |
| 24 | and English language acquisition for children, youth,    |
| 25 | and adults.  |

| 1  | "(d) Interns and Volunteers.—The Institute, in              |
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| 2  | consultation with the National Institute for Literacy Advi- |
| 3  | sory Board, may award paid and unpaid internships to        |
| 4  | individuals seeking to assist the Institute in carrying out |
| 5  | its purpose. Notwithstanding section 1342 of title 31,      |
| 6  | United States Code, the Institute may accept and use vol-   |
| 7  | untary and uncompensated services as the Institute deter-   |
| 8  | mines necessary.  |
| 9  | "(e) National Institute for Literacy Advisory               |
| 10 | Board.—   |
| 11 | "(1) Establishment.—  |
| 12 | "(A) In general.—There shall be a Na-                       |
| 13 | tional Institute for Literacy Advisory Board (in            |
| 14 | this section referred to as the 'Board'), which             |
| 15 | shall consist of 10 individuals appointed by the            |
| 16 | President with the advice and consent of the                |
| 17 | Senate.   |
| 18 | "(B) QUALIFICATIONS.—The Board shall                        |
| 19 | be composed of individuals who—                             |
| 20 | "(i) are not otherwise officers or em-                      |
| 21 | ployees of the Federal Government; and                      |
| 22 | "(ii) are knowledgeable about current                       |
| 23 | effective scientifically based research find-               |
| 24 | ings on instruction in reading, writing, and                |

| 1  | English language acquisition for children,    |
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| 2  | youth, and adults.                            |
| 3  | "(C) Composition.—The Board may in-           |
| 4  | clude—  |
| 5  | "(i) representatives of business, indus-      |
| 6  | try, labor, literacy organizations, adult     |
| 7  | education providers, community colleges,      |
| 8  | students with disabilities, and State agen-   |
| 9  | cies, including State directors of adult edu- |
| 10 | cation; and                                   |
| 11 | "(ii) individuals who, and representa-        |
| 12 | tives of entities that, have been successful  |
| 13 | in improving skills in reading, writing, and  |
| 14 | English language acquisition for children,    |
| 15 | youth, and adults.                            |
| 16 | "(2) Duties.—The Board shall—                 |
| 17 | "(A) make recommendations concerning          |
| 18 | the appointment of the Director of the Insti- |
| 19 | tute;   |
| 20 | "(B) provide independent advice on the op-    |
| 21 | eration of the Institute;                     |
| 22 | "(C) receive reports from the Interagency     |
| 23 | Group and the Director; and                   |
| 24 | "(D) review the biennial report to the Con-   |
| 25 | gress under subsection (k).                   |

1 "(3) FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACT.—
2 Except as otherwise provided, the Board shall be
3 subject to the provisions of the Federal Advisory
4 Committee Act.

## "(4) Appointments.—

- "(A) IN GENERAL.—Each member of the Board shall be appointed for a term of 3 years, except that the initial terms for members may be 1, 2, or 3 years in order to establish a rotation in which one-third of the members are selected each year. Any such member may be appointed for not more than 2 consecutive terms.
- "(B) Vacancies.—Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only for the remainder of that term. A member may serve after the expiration of that member's term until a successor has taken office.
- "(5) Quorum.—A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum, but a lesser number may hold hearings. A recommendation of the Board may be passed only by a majority of the Board's members present at a meeting for which there is a quorum.

- 1 "(6) ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—The Chair-2 person and Vice Chairperson of the Board shall be 3 elected by the members of the Board. The term of 4 office of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall 5 be 2 years.
  - "(7) MEETINGS.—The Board shall meet at the call of the Chairperson or a majority of the members of the Board.
- 9 "(f) GIFTS, BEQUESTS, AND DEVISES.—

- "(1) IN GENERAL.—The Institute may accept, administer, and use gifts or donations of services, money, or property, whether real or personal, tangible or intangible.
- "(2) Rules.—The Board shall establish written rules setting forth the criteria to be used by the Institute in determining whether the acceptance of contributions of services, money, or property whether real or personal, tangible or intangible, would reflect unfavorably upon the ability of the Institute or any employee to carry out the responsibilities of the Institute or employee, or official duties, in a fair and objective manner, or would compromise the integrity, or the appearance of the integrity, of the Institute's programs or any official involved in those programs.

- 1 "(g) Mails.—The Board and the Institute may use
- 2 the United States mails in the same manner and under
- 3 the same conditions as other departments and agencies of
- 4 the United States.
- 5 "(h) DIRECTOR.—The Secretary of Education, after
- 6 considering recommendations made by the Board and con-
- 7 sulting with the Interagency Group, shall appoint and fix
- 8 the pay of the Director of the Institute and, when nec-
- 9 essary, shall appoint an Interim Director of the Institute.
- 10 "(i) Applicability of Certain Civil Service
- 11 Laws.—The Director and staff of the Institute may be
- 12 appointed without regard to the provisions of title 5,
- 13 United States Code, governing appointments in the com-
- 14 petitive service, and may be paid without regard to the
- 15 provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53
- 16 of that title relating to classification and General Schedule
- 17 pay rates, except that an individual so appointed may not
- 18 receive pay in excess of the annual rate of basic pay pay-
- 19 able for level IV of the Executive Schedule.
- 20 "(j) Experts and Consultants.—The Institute
- 21 may procure temporary and intermittent services under
- 22 section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code.
- 23 "(k) BIENNIAL REPORT.—
- 24 "(1) In general.—The Institute shall submit
- a report biennially to the Committee on Education

- and Labor of the House of Representatives and the
  Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate. Each report submitted under
  this subsection shall include—
  - "(A) a comprehensive and detailed description of the Institute's operations, activities, financial condition, and accomplishments in identifying and describing programs on reading, writing, and English language acquisition for children, youth, and adults for the period covered by the report; and
  - "(B) a description of how plans for the operation of the Institute for the succeeding 2 fiscal years will facilitate achievement of the purpose of the Institute.
  - "(2) FIRST REPORT.—The Institute shall submit its first report under this subsection to the Congress not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of the Workforce Investment Improvement Act of 2009.
- "(1) ADDITIONAL FUNDING.—In addition to the funds authorized under section 205 and reserved for the Institute under section 211, the Secretary of Education, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Sec-

25 retary of Labor, or the head of any other Federal agency

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| 1  | or department that participates in the activities of the In- |
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| 2  | stitute may provide funds to the Institute for activities    |
| 3  | that the Institute is authorized to perform under this sec-  |
| 4  | tion.  |
| 5  | "SEC. 243. NATIONAL LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES.                   |
| 6  | "The Secretary shall establish and carry out a pro-          |
| 7  | gram of national leadership activities that may include the  |
| 8  | following:   |
| 9  | "(1) Technical assistance, on request, including             |
| 10 | assistance—  |
| 11 | "(A) on request to volunteer community-                      |
| 12 | and faith-based organizations, including but not             |
| 13 | limited to, improving their fiscal management,               |
| 14 | research-based instruction, and reporting re-                |
| 15 | quirements, and the development of measurable                |
| 16 | objectives to carry out the requirements of this             |
| 17 | title;   |
| 18 | "(B) in developing valid, measurable, and                    |
| 19 | reliable performance data, and using perform-                |
| 20 | ance information for the improvement of adult                |
| 21 | education, English language acquisition, and                 |
| 22 | family literacy education programs;                          |
| 23 | "(C) on adult education professional devel-                  |
| 24 | opment; and  |

- 1 "(D) in using distance learning and im-2 proving the application of technology in the 3 classroom, including instruction in English lan-4 guage acquisition for individuals who have lim-5 ited English proficiency.
  - "(2) Providing for the conduct of research on national literacy basic skill acquisition levels among adults, including the number of limited English proficient adults functioning at different levels of reading proficiency.
  - "(3) Improving the coordination, efficiency, and effectiveness of adult education and workforce development services at the national, State, and local levels.
  - "(4) Determining how participation in adult education, English language acquisition, and family literacy education programs prepares individuals for entry into and success in post-secondary education and employment, and in the case of prison-based services, the effect on recidivism.
  - "(5) Evaluating how different types of providers, including community and faith-based organizations or private for-profit agencies measurably improve the skills of participants in adult education,

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| 1  | English language acquisition, and family literacy  |
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| 2  | education programs.  |
| 3  | "(6) Identifying model integrated basic and  |
| 4  | workplace skills education programs, including pro-  |
| 5  | grams for individuals with limited English pro-  |
| 6  | ficiency coordinated literacy and employment serv-   |
| 7  | ices, and effective strategies for serving adults with   |
| 8  | disabilities.  |
| 9  | "(7) Initiating other activities designed to im-   |
| 10   | prove the measurable quality and effectiveness of  |
| 11   | adult education, English language acquisition, and   |
| 12   | family literacy education programs nationwide.".   |
| 13   | TITLE III—AMENDMENTS TO  |
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| 14   | THE WAGNER-PEYSER ACT  |
|  | THE WAGNER-PEYSER ACT SEC. 301. AMENDMENTS TO THE WAGNER-PEYSER ACT.   |
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| 14<br>15<br>16                                       | SEC. 301. AMENDMENTS TO THE WAGNER-PEYSER ACT.  The Wagner-Peyser Act (29 U.S.C. 49 et seq.) is  |
| 14<br>15<br>16<br>17                                 | SEC. 301. AMENDMENTS TO THE WAGNER-PEYSER ACT.  The Wagner-Peyser Act (29 U.S.C. 49 et seq.) is amended—   |
| 14<br>15<br>16<br>17                                 | SEC. 301. AMENDMENTS TO THE WAGNER-PEYSER ACT.  The Wagner-Peyser Act (29 U.S.C. 49 et seq.) is amended—  (1) by striking sections 1 through 13;   |
| 114<br>115<br>116<br>117<br>118                      | SEC. 301. AMENDMENTS TO THE WAGNER-PEYSER ACT.  The Wagner-Peyser Act (29 U.S.C. 49 et seq.) is amended—  (1) by striking sections 1 through 13;  (2) in section 14 by inserting "of Labor" after  |
| 14<br>15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20               | SEC. 301. AMENDMENTS TO THE WAGNER-PEYSER ACT.  The Wagner-Peyser Act (29 U.S.C. 49 et seq.) is amended—  (1) by striking sections 1 through 13;  (2) in section 14 by inserting "of Labor" after "Secretary"; and   |
| 114<br>115<br>116<br>117<br>118<br>119<br>220<br>221 | SEC. 301. AMENDMENTS TO THE WAGNER-PEYSER ACT.  The Wagner-Peyser Act (29 U.S.C. 49 et seq.) is amended—  (1) by striking sections 1 through 13;  (2) in section 14 by inserting "of Labor" after "Secretary"; and  (3) by amending section 15 to read as follows: |

| 1  | "(1) In General.—The Secretary of Labor, in           |
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| 2  | accordance with the provisions of this section, shall |
| 3  | oversee the development, maintenance, and contin-     |
| 4  | uous improvement of a nationwide workforce and        |
| 5  | labor market information system that includes—        |
| 6  | "(A) statistical data from cooperative sta-           |
| 7  | tistical survey and projection programs and           |
| 8  | data from administrative reporting systems            |
| 9  | that, taken together, enumerate, estimate, and        |
| 10 | project employment opportunities and condi-           |
| 11 | tions at national, State, and local levels in a       |
| 12 | timely manner, including statistics on—               |
| 13 | "(i) employment and unemployment                      |
| 14 | status of national, State, and local popu-            |
| 15 | lations, including self-employed, part-time,          |
| 16 | and seasonal workers;                                 |
| 17 | "(ii) industrial distribution of occupa-              |
| 18 | tions, as well as current and projected em-           |
| 19 | ployment opportunities, wages, benefits               |
| 20 | (where data is available), and skill trends           |
| 21 | by occupation and industry, with particular           |
| 22 | attention paid to State and local condi-              |
| 23 | tions;  |
| 24 | "(iii) the incidence of, industrial and               |
| 25 | geographical location of and number of                |

| 1  | workers displaced by, permanent layoffs         |
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| 2  | and plant closings; and                         |
| 3  | "(iv) employment and earnings infor-            |
| 4  | mation maintained in a longitudinal man-        |
| 5  | ner to be used for research and program         |
| 6  | evaluation;                                     |
| 7  | "(B) information on State and local em-         |
| 8  | ployment opportunities, and other appropriate   |
| 9  | statistical data related to labor market dynam- |
| 10 | ics, which—                                     |
| 11 | "(i) shall be current and comprehen-            |
| 12 | sive;   |
| 13 | "(ii) shall meet the needs identified           |
| 14 | through the consultations described in sub-     |
| 15 | paragraphs (A) and (B) of subsection            |
| 16 | (e)(2); and                                     |
| 17 | "(iii) shall meet the needs for the in-         |
| 18 | formation identified in section 134(c);         |
| 19 | "(C) technical standards (which the Sec-        |
| 20 | retary shall publish annually) for data and in- |
| 21 | formation described in subparagraphs (A) and    |
| 22 | (B) that, at a minimum, meet the criteria of    |
| 23 | chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code;     |
| 24 | "(D) procedures to ensure compatibility         |
| 25 | and additivity of the data and information de-  |

| 1  | scribed in subparagraphs (A) and (B) from na-   |
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| 2  | tional, State, and local levels;                |
| 3  | "(E) procedures to support standardization      |
| 4  | and aggregation of data from administrative re- |
| 5  | porting systems described in subparagraph (A)   |
| 6  | of employment-related programs;                 |
| 7  | "(F) analysis of data and information de-       |
| 8  | scribed in subparagraphs (A) and (B) for uses   |
| 9  | such as—  |
| 10 | "(i) national, State, and local policy-         |
| 11 | making;   |
| 12 | "(ii) implementation of Federal poli-           |
| 13 | cies (including allocation formulas);           |
| 14 | "(iii) program planning and evalua-             |
| 15 | tion; and                                       |
| 16 | "(iv) researching labor market dynam-           |
| 17 | ics;  |
| 18 | "(G) wide dissemination of such data, in-       |
| 19 | formation, and analysis in a user-friendly man- |
| 20 | ner and voluntary technical standards for dis-  |
| 21 | semination mechanisms; and                      |
| 22 | "(H) programs of—                               |
| 23 | "(i) training for effective data dis-           |
| 24 | semination;                                     |
| 25 | "(ii) research and demonstration; and           |

| 1  | "(iii) programs and technical assist-        |
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| 3  | "(2) Information to be confidential.—        |
| 4  | "(A) IN GENERAL.—No officer or em-           |
| 5  | ployee of the Federal Government or agent of |
| 6  | the Federal Government may—                  |
| 7  | "(i) use any submission that is fur-         |
| 8  | nished for exclusively statistical purposes  |
| 9  | under the provisions of this section for any |
| 10 | purpose other than the statistical purposes  |
| 11 | for which the submission is furnished;       |
| 12 | "(ii) disclose to the public any publi-      |
| 13 | cation or media transmittal of the data      |
| 14 | contained in the submission described in     |
| 15 | clause (i) that permits information con-     |
| 16 | cerning an individual subject to be reason-  |
| 17 | ably inferred by either direct or indirect   |
| 18 | means; or                                    |
| 19 | "(iii) permit anyone other than a            |
| 20 | sworn officer, employee, or agent of any     |
| 21 | Federal department or agency, or a con-      |
| 22 | tractor (including an employee of a con-     |
| 23 | tractor) of such department or agency, to    |
| 24 | examine an individual submission described   |
| 25 | in clause (i)                                |

without the consent of the individual, agency, or other person who is the subject of the submission or provides that submission.

"(B) IMMUNITY FROM LEGAL PROCESS.—
Any submission (including any data derived from the submission) that is collected and retained by a Federal department or agency, or an officer, employee, agent, or contractor of such a department or agency, for exclusively statistical purposes under this section shall be immune from the legal process and shall not, without the consent of the individual, agency, or other person who is the subject of the submission or provides that submission, be admitted as evidence or used for any purpose in any action, suit, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

"(C) Rule of construction.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to provide immunity from the legal process for such submission (including any data derived from the submission) if the submission is in the possession of any person, agency, or entity other than the Federal Government or an officer, employee, agent, or contractor of the Federal Government,

| 1  | or if the submission is independently collected,      |
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| 2  | retained, or produced for purposes other than         |
| 3  | the purposes of this Act.                             |
| 4  | "(b) System Responsibilities.—                        |
| 5  | "(1) In general.—The workforce and labor              |
| 6  | market information system described in subsection     |
| 7  | (a) shall be planned, administered, overseen, and     |
| 8  | evaluated through a cooperative governance struc-     |
| 9  | ture involving the Federal Government and States.     |
| 10 | "(2) Duties.—The Secretary, with respect to           |
| 11 | data collection, analysis, and dissemination of work- |
| 12 | force and labor market information for the system,    |
| 13 | shall carry out the following duties:                 |
| 14 | "(A) Assign responsibilities within the De-           |
| 15 | partment of Labor for elements of the work-           |
| 16 | force and labor market information system de-         |
| 17 | scribed in subsection (a) to ensure that all sta-     |
| 18 | tistical and administrative data collected is con-    |
| 19 | sistent with appropriate Bureau of Labor Sta-         |
| 20 | tistics standards and definitions.                    |
| 21 | "(B) Actively seek the cooperation of other           |
| 22 | Federal agencies to establish and maintain            |
| 23 | mechanisms for ensuring complementarity and           |

nonduplication in the development and oper-

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| 1  | ation of statistical and administrative data col-      |
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| 2  | lection activities.                                    |
| 3  | "(C) Eliminate gaps and duplication in                 |
| 4  | statistical undertakings, with the systemization       |
| 5  | of wage surveys as an early priority.                  |
| 6  | "(D) In collaboration with the Bureau of               |
| 7  | Labor Statistics and States, develop and main-         |
| 8  | tain the elements of the workforce and labor           |
| 9  | market information system described in sub-            |
| 10 | section (a), including the development of con-         |
| 11 | sistent procedures and definitions for use by the      |
| 12 | States in collecting the data and information          |
| 13 | described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of sub-         |
| 14 | section $(a)(1)$ .                                     |
| 15 | "(E) Establish procedures for the system               |
| 16 | to ensure that—  |
| 17 | "(i) such data and information are                     |
| 18 | timely;  |
| 19 | "(ii) paperwork and reporting for the                  |
| 20 | system are reduced to a minimum; and                   |
| 21 | "(iii) States and localities are fully in-             |
| 22 | volved in the development and continuous               |
| 23 | improvement of the system at all levels.               |
| 24 | "(c) National Electronic Tools To Provide              |
| 25 | SERVICES.—The Secretary is authorized to assist in the |

- 1 development of national electronic tools that may be used
- 2 to facilitate the delivery of work ready services described
- 3 in section 134 and to provide workforce information to in-
- 4 dividuals through the one-stop delivery systems described
- 5 in section 121 and through other appropriate delivery sys-
- 6 tems.
- 7 "(d) Coordination With the States.—
- 8 "(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, working
- 9 through the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Em-
- 10 ployment and Training Administration, shall regu-
- 11 larly consult with representatives of State agencies
- carrying out workforce information activities regard-
- ing strategies for improving the workforce and labor
- market information system.
- 15 "(2) FORMAL CONSULTATIONS.—At least twice
- each year, the Secretary, working through the Bu-
- 17 reau of Labor Statistics, shall conduct formal con-
- sultations regarding programs carried out by the
- Bureau of Labor Statistics with representatives of
- each of the 6 Federal regions of the Bureau of
- Labor Statistics, elected (pursuant to a process es-
- tablished by the Secretary) from the State directors
- affiliated with State agencies that perform the duties
- described in subsection (e)(2).
- 25 "(e) State Responsibilities.—

| 1  | "(1) In General.—In order to receive Federal          |
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| 2  | financial assistance under this section, the Governor |
| 3  | of a State shall—                                     |
| 4  | "(A) be responsible for the management of             |
| 5  | the portions of the workforce and labor market        |
| 6  | information system described in subsection (a)        |
| 7  | that comprise a statewide workforce and labor         |
| 8  | market information system and for the State's         |
| 9  | participation in the development of the annual        |
| 10 | plan;   |
| 11 | "(B) establish a process for the oversight            |
| 12 | of such system;                                       |
| 13 | "(C) consult with State and local employ-             |
| 14 | ers, participants, and local workforce invest-        |
| 15 | ment boards about the labor market relevance          |
| 16 | of the data to be collected and disseminated          |
| 17 | through the statewide workforce and labor mar-        |
| 18 | ket information system;                               |
| 19 | "(D) consult with State educational agen-             |
| 20 | cies and local educational agencies concerning        |
| 21 | the provision of employment statistics in order       |
| 22 | to meet the needs of secondary school and post-       |
| 23 | secondary school students who seek such infor-        |
| 24 | mation;   |

| 1  | "(E) collect and disseminate for the sys-          |
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| 2  | tem, on behalf of the State and localities in the  |
| 3  | State, the information and data described in       |
| 4  | subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subsection            |
| 5  | (a)(1);  |
| 6  | "(F) maintain and continuously improve             |
| 7  | the statewide workforce and labor market infor-    |
| 8  | mation system in accordance with this section;     |
| 9  | "(G) perform contract and grant respon-            |
| 10 | sibilities for data collection, analysis, and dis- |
| 11 | semination for such system;                        |
| 12 | "(H) conduct such other data collection,           |
| 13 | analysis, and dissemination activities as will en- |
| 14 | sure an effective statewide workforce and labor    |
| 15 | market information system;                         |
| 16 | "(I) actively seek the participation of other      |
| 17 | State and local agencies in data collection, anal- |
| 18 | ysis, and dissemination activities in order to en- |
| 19 | sure complementarity, compatibility, and useful-   |
| 20 | ness of data;                                      |
| 21 | "(J) participate in the development of the         |
| 22 | annual plan described in subsection (c); and       |
| 23 | "(K) utilize the quarterly records described       |
| 24 | in section $136(f)(2)$ of the Workforce Invest-    |
| 25 | ment Act of 1998 to assist the State and other     |

| 1 | States  | in  | measuring   | State | progress | on | State |
|---|---------|-----|-------------|-------|----------|----|-------|
| 2 | perforn | nan | ce measures | 5.    |          |    |       |

- 3 "(2) Rule of Construction.—Nothing in
- 4 this section shall be construed as limiting the ability
- of a Governor to conduct additional data collection,
- 6 analysis, and dissemination activities with State
- 7 funds or with Federal funds from sources other than
- 8 this section.
- 9 "(f) Nonduplication Requirement.—None of the
- 10 functions and activities carried out pursuant to this sec-
- 11 tion shall duplicate the functions and activities carried out
- 12 under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Edu-
- 13 cation Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.).
- 14 "(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
- 15 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
- 16 such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years
- 17 2011 through 2015.
- 18 "(h) Definition.—In this section, the term 'local
- 19 area' means the smallest geographical area for which data
- 20 can be produced with statistical reliability.".

## 21 TITLE IV—AMENDMENTS TO THE

## 22 **REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973**

- 23 SEC. 401, FINDINGS.
- Section 2(a) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29
- 25 U.S.C. 701(a)) is amended—

| 1  | (1) in paragraph (5), by striking "and" at the       |
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| 2  | end;   |
| 3  | (2) in paragraph (6), by striking the period and     |
| 4  | inserting "; and; and                                |
| 5  | (3) by adding at the end the following:              |
| 6  | "(7) there is a substantial need to improve and      |
| 7  | expand services for students with disabilities under |
| 8  | this Act.".  |
| 9  | SEC. 402. REHABILITATION SERVICES ADMINISTRATION.    |
| 10 | Section 3(a) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29   |
| 11 | U.S.C. 702(a)) is amended—                           |
| 12 | (1) by striking "Office of the Secretary" and        |
| 13 | inserting "Department of Education";                 |
| 14 | (2) by striking "President by and with the ad-       |
| 15 | vice and consent of the Senate" and inserting "Sec-  |
| 16 | retary, except that the Commissioner appointed       |
| 17 | under the authority existing on the day prior to the |
| 18 | date of enactment of the Workforce Investment Im-    |
| 19 | provement Act of 2009 may continue to serve in the   |
| 20 | former capacity"; and                                |
| 21 | (3) by striking ", and the Commissioner shall        |
| 22 | be the principal officer,".                          |
| 23 | SEC. 403. DIRECTOR.                                  |
| 24 | (a) In General.—The Rehabilitation Act of 1973       |
| 25 | (29 II S.C. 701 et sea ) is amended—                 |

| 1  | (1) by striking "Commissioner" each place it              |
|----|---|
| 2  | appears, except in sections 3(a) (as amended by sec-      |
| 3  | tion 402) and 21, and inserting "Director";               |
| 4  | (2) in section $100(d)(2)(B)$ , by striking " <b>COM-</b> |
| 5  | MISSIONER" and inserting "DIRECTOR";                      |
| 6  | (3) in section 706, by striking "COMMIS-                  |
| 7  | SIONER" and inserting "DIRECTOR"; and                     |
| 8  | (4) in section 723(a)(3), by striking " <b>COMMIS</b> -   |
| 9  | SIONER" and inserting "DIRECTOR".                         |
| 10 | (b) Exception.—Section 21 of the Rehabilitation           |
| 11 | Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 718) is amended—                   |
| 12 | (1) in subsection $(b)(1)$ —                              |
| 13 | (A) by striking "Commissioner" the first                  |
| 14 | place it appears and inserting "Director of the           |
| 15 | Rehabilitation Services Administration"; and              |
| 16 | (B) by striking "(referred to in this sub-                |
| 17 | section as the 'Director')"; and                          |
| 18 | (2) by striking "Commissioner and the Direc-              |
| 19 | tor" each place it appears and inserting "both such       |
| 20 | Directors".   |
| 21 | SEC. 404. DEFINITIONS.                                    |
| 22 | Section 7 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29           |
| )3 | USC 705) is amended—                                      |

| 1  | (1) by redesignating paragraphs (35) through        |
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| 2  | (39) as paragraphs (36), (37), (38), (40), and (41) |
| 3  | respectively;                                       |
| 4  | (2) in subparagraph (A)(ii) of paragraph (36)       |
| 5  | (as redesignated by paragraph (1)), by striking     |
| 6  | "paragraph (36)(C)" and inserting "paragraph        |
| 7  | (37)(C)";   |
| 8  | (3) by inserting after paragraph (34) the fol-      |
| 9  | lowing:   |
| 10 | "(35)(A) The term 'student with a disability        |
| 11 | means an individual with a disability who—          |
| 12 | "(i) is not younger than 16 and not older           |
| 13 | than 21;  |
| 14 | "(ii) has been determined to be eligible            |
| 15 | under section 102(a) for assistance under this      |
| 16 | title; and  |
| 17 | "(iii)(I) is eligible for, and is receiving         |
| 18 | special education under part B of the Individ-      |
| 19 | uals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C      |
| 20 | 1411 et seq.); or                                   |
| 21 | "(II) is an individual with a disability, for       |
| 22 | purposes of section 504.                            |
| 23 | "(B) The term 'students with disabilities           |
| 24 | magne more than 1 student with a disability " and   |

| 1  | (4) by inserting after paragraph (38) (as redes-        |
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| 2  | ignated by paragraph (1)) the following:                |
| 3  | "(39) The term 'transition services expansion           |
| 4  | year' means—  |
| 5  | "(A) the first fiscal year for which the                |
| 6  | amount appropriated under section 100(b) ex-            |
| 7  | ceeds the amount appropriated under section             |
| 8  | 100(b) for fiscal year 2004 by not less than            |
| 9  | \$100,000,000; and                                      |
| 10 | "(B) each fiscal year subsequent to that                |
| 11 | first fiscal year.".                                    |
| 12 | SEC. 405. STATE PLAN.                                   |
| 13 | (a) Coordination With Education Officials               |
| 14 | AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS.—Section              |
| 15 | 101(a)(11) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. |
| 16 | 721(a)(11)) is amended—                                 |
| 17 | (1) in subparagraph (D)(i) by inserting ",              |
| 18 | which may be provided using alternative means of        |
| 19 | meeting participation (such as video conferences and    |
| 20 | conference calls)" before the semicolon; and            |
| 21 | (2) by adding at the end the following:                 |
| 22 | "(G) Coordination with assistive                        |
| 23 | TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS.—The State plan shall               |
| 24 | include an assurance that the designated State          |
| 25 | unit and the lead agency responsible for car-           |

| 1   | rying out duties under the Assistive Technology         |
|-----|---|
| 2   | Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.), as                |
| 3   | amended, have developed working relationships           |
| 4   | and coordinate their activities.".                      |
| 5   | (b) Assessment and Strategies.—Section                  |
| 6   | 101(a)(15) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. |
| 7   | 721(a)(15)) is amended—                                 |
| 8   | (1) in subparagraph (A)                                 |
| 9   | (A) in clause (i)—                                      |
| 10  | (i) in subclause (II), by striking                      |
| 11  | "and" at the end;                                       |
| 12  | (ii) in subclause (III), by adding                      |
| 13  | "and" at the end; and                                   |
| 14  | (iii) by adding at the end the fol-                     |
| 15  | lowing:   |
| 16  | "(IV) in a transition services ex-                      |
| 17  | pansion year, students with disabil-                    |
| 18  | ities, including their need for transi-                 |
| 19  | tion services;"; and                                    |
| 20  | (B) by redesignating clauses (ii) and (iii)             |
| 21  | as clauses (iii) and (iv), respectively, and insert-    |
| 22  | ing after clause (i) the following:                     |
| 23  | "(ii) include an assessment of the                      |
| 24  | transition services provided under this Act,            |
| 2.5 | and coordinated with transition services                |

| 1  | under the Individuals with Disabilities                |
|----|--|
| 2  | Education Act, as to those services meet-              |
| 3  | ing the needs of individuals with disabil-             |
| 4  | ities;"; and   |
| 5  | (2) in subparagraph (D)—                               |
| 6  | (A) by redesignating clauses (iii), (iv), and          |
| 7  | (v) as clauses (iv), (v), and (vi), respectively;      |
| 8  | and  |
| 9  | (B) by inserting after clause (ii) the fol-            |
| 10 | lowing:  |
| 11 | "(iii) in a transition services expan-                 |
| 12 | sion year, the methods to be used to im-               |
| 13 | prove and expand vocational rehabilitation             |
| 14 | services for students with disabilities, in-           |
| 15 | cluding the coordination of services de-               |
| 16 | signed to facilitate the transition of such            |
| 17 | students from the receipt of educational               |
| 18 | services in school to the receipt of voca-             |
| 19 | tional rehabilitation services under this              |
| 20 | title or to post-secondary education or em-            |
| 21 | ployment;".  |
| 22 | (c) Services for Students With Disabilities.—          |
| 23 | Section 101(a) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29   |
| 24 | U.S.C. 721(a)) is further amended by adding at the end |
| 25 | the following:   |

| 1  | "(25) Services for students with disabil-            |
|----|--|
| 2  | ITIES.—The State plan for a transition services ex-  |
| 3  | pansion year shall provide an assurance satisfactory |
| 4  | to the Secretary that the State—                     |
| 5  | "(A) has developed and implemented strat-            |
| 6  | egies to address the needs identified in the as-     |
| 7  | sessment described in paragraph (15), and            |
| 8  | achieve the goals and priorities identified by the   |
| 9  | State, to improve and expand vocational reha-        |
| 10 | bilitation services for students with disabilities   |
| 11 | on a statewide basis in accordance with para-        |
| 12 | graph (15); and                                      |
| 13 | "(B) from funds reserved under section               |
| 14 | 110A, shall carry out programs or activities de-     |
| 15 | signed to improve and expand vocational reha-        |
| 16 | bilitation services for students with disabilities   |
| 17 | that—  |
| 18 | "(i) facilitate the transition of the stu-           |
| 19 | dents with disabilities from the receipt of          |
| 20 | educational services in school, to the re-           |
| 21 | ceipt of vocational rehabilitation services          |
| 22 | under this title, including, at a minimum,           |
| 23 | those services specified in the interagency          |
| 24 | agreement required in paragraph (11)(D);             |

| 1  | "(ii) improve the achievement of post-            |
|----|---|
| 2  | school goals of students with disabilities,       |
| 3  | including improving the achievement               |
| 4  | through participation (as appropriate when        |
| 5  | career goals are discussed) in meetings re-       |
| 6  | garding individualized education programs         |
| 7  | developed under section 614 of the Individ-       |
| 8  | uals with Disabilities Education Act (20          |
| 9  | U.S.C. 1414);                                     |
| 10 | "(iii) provide career guidance, career            |
| 11 | exploration services, and job search skills       |
| 12 | and strategies and technical assistance to        |
| 13 | students with disabilities;                       |
| 14 | "(iv) support the provision of training           |
| 15 | and technical assistance to State and local       |
| 16 | educational agency and designated State           |
| 17 | agency personnel responsible for the plan-        |
| 18 | ning and provision of services to students        |
| 19 | with disabilities; and                            |
| 20 | "(v) support outreach activities to stu-          |
| 21 | dents with disabilities who are eligible for,     |
| 22 | and need, services under this title.".            |
| 23 | SEC. 406. SCOPE OF SERVICES.                      |
| 24 | Section 103 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 |
| 25 | U.S.C. 723) is amended—                           |

| 1  | (1) in subsection (a), by striking paragraph            |
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| 2  | (15) and inserting the following:                       |
| 3  | "(15) transition services for students with dis-        |
| 4  | abilities, that facilitate the achievement of the em-   |
| 5  | ployment outcome identified in the individualized       |
| 6  | plan for employment, including, in a transition serv-   |
| 7  | ices expansion year, services described in clauses (i)  |
| 8  | through (iii) of section 101(a)(25)(B);";               |
| 9  | (2) in subsection (b), by striking paragraph (6)        |
| 10 | and inserting the following:                            |
| 11 | "(6)(A)(i) Consultation and technical assistance        |
| 12 | services to assist State and local educational agen-    |
| 13 | cies in planning for the transition of students with    |
| 14 | disabilities from school to post-school activities, in- |
| 15 | cluding employment.                                     |
| 16 | "(ii) In a transition services expansion year,          |
| 17 | training and technical assistance described in section  |
| 18 | 101(a)(25)(B)(iv).                                      |
| 19 | "(B) In a transition services expansion year,           |
| 20 | services for groups of individuals with disabilities    |
| 21 | who meet the requirements of clauses (i) and (iii) of   |
| 22 | section 7(35)(A), including services described in       |
| 23 | clauses (i), (ii), (iii), and (v) of section            |
| 24 | 101(a)(25)(B), to assist in the transition from         |
| 25 | school to post-school activities."; and                 |

| 1                                      | (3) in subsection (b) by inserting at the end,   |
|--|--|
| 2                                      | the following:   |
| 3                                      | "(7) The establishment, development, or im-  |
| 4                                      | provement of assistive technology demonstration,   |
| 5                                      | loan, reutilization, or financing programs in coordi-  |
| 6                                      | nation with activities authorized under the Assistive  |
| 7                                      | Technology Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 3001), as  |
| 8                                      | amended, to promote access to assistive technology   |
| 9                                      | for individuals with disabilities and employers.".   |
| 10                                     | SEC. 407. STANDARDS AND INDICATORS.  |
| 11                                     | Section 106(a) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29   |
| 12                                     | U.S.C. 726(a)) is amended by striking paragraph (1)(C)   |
| 13                                     | and all that follows through paragraph (2) and inserting   |
| 1 /                                    | the following:   |
| 14                                     |  |
| 15                                     | "(2) Measures.—The standards and indica-   |
|  | "(2) Measures.—The standards and indicators shall include outcome and related measures of  |
| 15                                     |  |
| 15<br>16                               | tors shall include outcome and related measures of   |
| 15<br>16<br>17                         | tors shall include outcome and related measures of program performance that—   |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18                   | tors shall include outcome and related measures of program performance that—  "(A) facilitate the accomplishment of the  |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19             | tors shall include outcome and related measures of program performance that—  "(A) facilitate the accomplishment of the purpose and policy of this title;  |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20       | tors shall include outcome and related measures of program performance that—  "(A) facilitate the accomplishment of the purpose and policy of this title;  "(B) to the maximum extent practicable,   |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20<br>21 | tors shall include outcome and related measures of program performance that—  "(A) facilitate the accomplishment of the purpose and policy of this title;  "(B) to the maximum extent practicable, are consistent with the core indicators of per- |

| 1  | "(C) include measures of the program's                      |
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| 2  | performance with respect to the transition to               |
| 3  | post-school career activities, and achievement of           |
| 4  | the post-school career goals, of students with              |
| 5  | disabilities served under the program.".                    |
| 6  | SEC. 408. RESERVATION FOR EXPANDED TRANSITION               |
| 7  | SERVICES.   |
| 8  | The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 is amended by insert-        |
| 9  | ing after section 110 (29 U.S.C. 730) the following:        |
| 10 | "SEC. 110A. RESERVATION FOR EXPANDED TRANSITION             |
| 11 | SERVICES.   |
| 12 | "(a) Reservation.—From the State allotment                  |
| 13 | under section 110 in a transition services expansion year,  |
| 14 | each State shall reserve an amount calculated by the Di-    |
| 15 | rector under subsection (b) to carry out programs and ac-   |
| 16 | tivities under sections $101(a)(25)(B)$ and $103(b)(6)$ .   |
| 17 | "(b) CALCULATION.—The Director shall calculate the          |
| 18 | amount to be reserved for such programs and activities      |
| 19 | for a fiscal year by each State by multiplying \$50,000,000 |
| 20 | by the percentage determined by dividing—                   |
| 21 | "(1) the amount allotted to that State under                |
| 22 | section 110 for the prior fiscal year, by                   |
| 23 | "(2) the total amount allotted to all States                |
| 24 | under section 110 for that prior fiscal year.".             |

#### 1 SEC. 409. CLIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

- 2 Section 112(e)(1) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- 3 (29 U.S.C. 732(e)(1)) is amended by redesignating sub-
- 4 paragraph (D) as subparagraph (E) and inserting after
- 5 subparagraph (C) the following:
- 6 "(D) The Secretary shall make grants to the protec-
- 7 tion and advocacy system serving the American Indian
- 8 Consortium to provide services in accordance with this sec-
- 9 tion. The amount of such grants shall be the same as pro-
- 10 vided to territories under this subsection.".
- 11 SEC. 410. PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY OF INDIVIDUAL
- 12 RIGHTS.
- Section 509(g)(2) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- 14 (29 U.S.C. 794e(g)(2)) is amended by striking "was paid"
- 15 and inserting "was paid, except that program income gen-
- 16 erated from such amount shall remain available to such
- 17 system for one additional fiscal year".
- 18 SEC. 411. CHAIRPERSON.
- 19 Section 705(b)(5) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- 20 (29 U.S.C. 796d(b)(5)) is amended to read as follows:
- 21 "(5) Chairperson.—The Council shall select a
- chairperson from among the voting membership of
- the Council.".
- 24 SEC. 412. AUTHORIZATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS.
- The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 701 et
- 26 seq.) is further amended—

| 1  | (1) in section $100(b)(1)$ by striking "fiscal"      |
|----|--|
| 2  | years 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal       |
| 3  | years 2011 through 2015";                            |
| 4  | (2) in section 100(d)(1)(B) by striking "fiscal      |
| 5  | year 2003" and inserting "fiscal year 2015";         |
| 6  | (3) in section 110(c) by amending paragraph          |
| 7  | (2) to read as follows:                              |
| 8  | "(2) The sum referred to in paragraph (1) shall      |
| 9  | be, as determined by the Secretary, not less than 1  |
| 10 | percent and not more than 1.5 percent of the         |
| 11 | amount referred to in paragraph (1) for each of fis- |
| 12 | cal years 2011 through 2015.";                       |
| 13 | (4) in section 112(h) by striking "fiscal years      |
| 14 | 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years       |
| 15 | 2011 through 2015";                                  |
| 16 | (5) in section 201(a) by striking "fiscal years      |
| 17 | 1999 through 2003" each place it appears and in-     |
| 18 | serting "fiscal years 2011 through 2015";            |
| 19 | (6) in section 302(i) by striking "fiscal years      |
| 20 | 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years       |
| 21 | 2011 through 2015";                                  |
| 22 | (7) in section 303(e) by striking "fiscal years      |
| 23 | 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years       |
| 24 | 2011 through 2015":                                  |

1 (8) in section 304(b) by striking "fiscal years 2 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years 3 2011 through 2015"; 4 (9) in section 305(b) by striking "fiscal years 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years 5 6 2011 through 2015"; 7 (10) in section 405 by striking "fiscal years 8 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years 9 2011 through 2015"; 10 (11) in section 502(j) by striking "fiscal years 11 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years 12 2011 through 2015"; 13 (12) in section 509(l) by striking "fiscal years 14 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years 15 2011 through 2015"; 16 (13) in section 612 by striking "fiscal years 17 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years 18 2011 through 2015"; 19 (14) in section 628 by striking "fiscal years 20 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years 21 2011 through 2015"; (15) in section 714 by striking "fiscal years 22 23 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years 2011 through 2015"; 24

- 1 (16) in section 727 by striking "fiscal years
- 2 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years
- 3 2011 through 2015"; and
- 4 (17) in section 753 by striking "fiscal years
- 5 1999 through 2003" and inserting "fiscal years
- 6 2011 through 2015".

### 7 SEC. 413. CONFORMING AMENDMENT.

- 8 Section 1(b) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 is
- 9 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
- 10 110 the following:

"Sec. 110A. Reservation for expanded transition services.".

#### 11 SEC. 414. HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER ACT.

- 12 (a) General Authorization of Appropria-
- 13 Tions.—The first sentence of section 205(a) of the Helen
- 14 Keller National Center Act (29 U.S.C. 1904(a)) is amend-
- 15 ed by striking "1999 through 2003" and inserting "2011
- 16 through 2015".
- 17 (b) Helen Keller National Center Federal
- 18 Endowment Fund.—The first sentence of section
- 19 208(h) of such Act (29 U.S.C. 1907(h)) is amended by
- 20 striking "1999 through 2003" and inserting "2011
- 21 through 2015".

# 1 TITLE V—TRANSITION AND 2 EFFECTIVE DATE

- 3 SEC. 501. TRANSITION PROVISIONS.
- 4 The Secretary of Labor shall take such actions as the
- 5 Secretary determines to be appropriate to provide for the
- 6 orderly implementation of this Act.
- 7 SEC. 502. EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 8 Except as otherwise provided in this Act, this Act and
- 9 the amendments made by this Act, shall take effect on
- 10 the date of enactment of this Act.

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