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# H. R. 2501

[Report No. 107-180]

To reauthorize the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 16, 2001

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. LATOURETTE, and Mr. COSTELLO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; AMENDMENTS TO APPALACHIAN**  
2 **REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1965.**

3 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the  
4 “Appalachian Regional Development Reauthorization Act  
5 of 2001”.

6 (b) **AMENDMENTS TO APPALACHIAN REGIONAL DE-**  
7 **VELOPMENT ACT OF 1965.**—Except as otherwise specifi-  
8 cally provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or re-  
9 peal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal  
10 of, a section or other provision of law, the reference shall  
11 be considered to be made to a section or other provision  
12 of the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965 (40  
13 U.S.C. App.).

14 **SEC. 2. COORDINATION OF APPALACHIAN REGIONAL DE-**  
15 **VELOPMENT PROGRAMS.**

16 Section 104 (40 U.S.C. App.) is amended—

17 (1) by striking the section heading and all that  
18 follows through “The President” and inserting the  
19 following:

20 **“SEC. 104. COORDINATION OF APPALACHIAN REGIONAL DE-**  
21 **VELOPMENT PROGRAMS.**

22 “(a) **LIAISON BETWEEN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**  
23 **AND COMMISSION.**—The President”; and

24 (2) by adding at the end the following:

25 “(b) **INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL.**—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out subsection  
2 (a), the President shall establish an interagency  
3 council to be known as the ‘Interagency Coordinating Council on Appalachia’.

4           “(2) MEMBERSHIP.—The Council shall be composed of—

5           “(A) the Federal Cochairman, who shall  
6 serve as Chairperson of the Council; and

7           “(B) representatives of Federal agencies  
8 that carry out economic development programs  
9 in the Appalachian region.”.

10 **SEC. 3. TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY.**

11           The Act (40 U.S.C. App.) is amended by inserting  
12 after section 202 the following:

13 **“SEC. 203. TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY.**

14           “(a) IN GENERAL.—In order to ensure that the people and businesses of the Appalachian region have the  
15 knowledge, skills, and access to telecommunications services to compete in the technology-based economy, the  
16 Commission may provide technical assistance and make  
17 grants, enter into contracts, and otherwise provide funds  
18 for the following purposes:

19           “(1) To increase affordable access to advanced  
20 telecommunications in the region.

1           “(2) To provide education and training for peo-  
2           ple, businesses, and governments in the region in the  
3           use of telecommunications technology.

4           “(3) To develop relevant technology readiness  
5           programs for industry groups and businesses in the  
6           region.

7           “(4) To support entrepreneurial opportunities  
8           in information technology in the region.

9           “(b) SOURCES OF FUNDING.—Assistance provided  
10          under this section may be provided entirely from appro-  
11          priations made available to carry out this section or in  
12          combination with funds available under a Federal grant-  
13          in-aid program (as defined in section 214(c)), under an-  
14          other Federal program, or from any other source.

15          “(c) FEDERAL SHARE LIMITATIONS SPECIFIED IN  
16          OTHER LAWS.—Notwithstanding any provision of law lim-  
17          iting the Federal share in a Federal grant-in-aid program  
18          or other Federal program, funds appropriated to carry out  
19          this section may be used to increase such Federal share,  
20          as the Commission determines appropriate.

21          “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
22          is authorized to be appropriated to the Commission to  
23          carry out this section \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2002  
24          and such sums as may be necessary for fiscal years 2003

1 through 2006. Such sums shall remain available until ex-  
2 pended.”.

3 **SEC. 4. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT CRITERIA.**

4 (a) ELIMINATION OF GROWTH CENTER CRITERIA.—  
5 Section 224(a)(1) (40 U.S.C. App.) is amended by strik-  
6 ing “in an area determined by the State have a significant  
7 potential for growth or”.

8 (b) DISTRESSED COUNTIES AND AREAS.—Section  
9 224 (40 U.S.C. App.) is amended by adding at the end  
10 the following:

11 “(d) ASSISTANCE TO DISTRESSED COUNTIES AND  
12 AREAS.—For each fiscal year, at least one-half of the  
13 amount of grant expenditures approved by the Commis-  
14 sion under this Act shall support activities or projects that  
15 benefit counties for which distressed county designations  
16 are in effect under section 226.”.

17 **SEC. 5. GRANTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF**  
18 **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS.**

19 Section 302(a)(1)(A) (40 U.S.C. App.) is amended  
20 by inserting “(or 75 percent for a development district  
21 that includes 1 or more counties for which a distressed  
22 county designation is in effect under section 226)” after  
23 “50 percent”.

24 **SEC. 6. ADDITION OF COUNTIES TO APPALACHIAN REGION.**

25 Section 403 is amended—

1 (1) in the third undesignated paragraph, relat-  
2 ing to Kentucky—

3 (A) by inserting “Edmonson,” after “Cum-  
4 berland,”;

5 (B) by inserting “Hart,” after “Harlan,”;  
6 and

7 (C) by inserting “Metcalf,” after  
8 “Menifee,”; and

9 (2) in the fifth undesignated paragraph, relat-  
10 ing to Mississippi—

11 (A) by inserting “Grenada,” after “Clay,”;

12 (B) by inserting “Montgomery,” after  
13 “Monroe,”; and

14 (C) by inserting “Panola,” after  
15 “Oktibbeha Pontotoc,”.

16 **SEC. 7. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.**

17 (a) STRATEGIES.—The Act (40 U.S.C. App.) is  
18 amended—

19 (1) in the third sentence of section 101(b) by  
20 striking “implementing investment program” and in-  
21 sserting “strategy statement”;

22 (2) in section 225—

23 (A) in subsection (a) by striking “(3) de-  
24 scribe the development program” and inserting

25 “(3) describe the development strategies”; and

1 (B) in subsection (c) by striking “Appa-  
2 lachian State development programs” and in-  
3 sserting “Appalachian State development strate-  
4 gies”; and

5 (3) in section 303—

6 (A) in the section heading by striking “**IN-**  
7 **VESTMENT PROGRAMS**” and inserting  
8 “**STRATEGY STATEMENTS**”;

9 (B) by striking “implementing investment  
10 program” each place it appears and inserting  
11 “strategy statement”; and

12 (C) by striking “implementing investments  
13 programs” and inserting “strategy statements”.

14 (b) SUPPORT OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DIS-  
15 TRICTS.—Section 102(a)(5) (40 U.S.C. App.) is amended  
16 by inserting “and support” after “formation”.

17 (c) OFFICE SPACE LEASING.—Section 106(7) (40  
18 U.S.C. App.) is amended by striking “for any term expir-  
19 ing no later than September 30, 2001”.

20 (d) SUPPLEMENTS TO FEDERAL GRANT-IN-AID PRO-  
21 GRAMS.—Section 214 (40 U.S.C. App.) is amended—

22 (1) in subsection (a) by striking the third sen-  
23 tence;

24 (2) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the  
25 following:

1       “(c) FEDERAL GRANT-IN-AID PROGRAMS DE-  
2 FINED.—

3           “(1) INCLUDED PROGRAMS.—In this section,  
4 the term ‘Federal grant-in-aid programs’ means  
5 those Federal grant-in-aid programs authorized by  
6 this Act or another Act for the acquisition or devel-  
7 opment of land, the construction or equipment of fa-  
8 cilities, or other community or economic development  
9 or economic adjustment activities, including but not  
10 limited to grant-in-aid programs authorized by the  
11 following Acts:

12           “(A) The Federal Water Pollution Control  
13 Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.).

14           “(B) The Watershed Protection and Flood  
15 Prevention Act (16 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.).

16           “(C) Title VI of the Public Health Services  
17 Act (42 U.S.C. 291 et seq.).

18           “(D) The Carl D. Perkins Vocational and  
19 Technical Education Act of 1998 (20 U.S.C.  
20 2301 et seq.).

21           “(E) Part IV of title III of the Commu-  
22 nications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 390 et seq.).

23           “(F) The Land and Water Conservation  
24 Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 460l–4 et seq.).

1           “(G) The Consolidated Farm and Rural  
2           Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1921 et seq.).

3           “(H) Sections 201 and 209 of the Public  
4           Works and Economic Development Act of 1965  
5           (42 U.S.C. 3141 and 3149).

6           “(I) Title I of the Housing and Commu-  
7           nity Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301  
8           et seq.).

9           “(2) EXCLUDED PROGRAMS.—In this section,  
10          the term ‘Federal grant-in-aid programs’ does not  
11          include—

12                 “(A) the program for the construction of  
13                 the development highway system authorized by  
14                 section 201 or any program relating to highway  
15                 or road construction authorized by title 23,  
16                 United States Code; or

17                 “(B) any other program for which loans or  
18                 other Federal financial assistance, except a  
19                 grant-in-aid program, is authorized by this or  
20                 any other Act.”; and

21                 (3) by striking subsection (d).

22          (e) PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT CRITERIA.—Section  
23          224(a)(2) (40 U.S.C. App.) is amended by striking “per  
24          capita income” and inserting “per capita market income”.

1 **SEC. 8. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2 Section 401(a) (40 U.S.C. App.) is amended to read  
3 as follows:

4 “(a) IN GENERAL.—In addition to amounts author-  
5 ized by section 201 (and other amounts made available  
6 for the Appalachian development highway system pro-  
7 gram) and section 203, there are authorized to be appro-  
8 priated to the Commission to carry out this Act—

9 “(1) \$78,000,000 for fiscal year 2002;

10 “(2) \$80,000,000 for fiscal year 2003;

11 “(3) \$83,000,000 for fiscal year 2004;

12 “(4) \$85,000,000 for fiscal year 2005; and

13 “(5) \$87,000,000 for fiscal year 2006.”.

14 **SEC. 9. TERMINATION.**

15 Section 405 (40 U.S.C. App.) is amended by striking  
16 “2001” and inserting “2006”.



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