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Mr. POMBO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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 "American-Made En-5 ergy and Good Jobs Act".

1 SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

2 In this Act:

3	(1) COASTAL PLAIN.—The term "Coastal
4	Plain" means that area described in appendix I to
5	part 37 of title 50, Code of Federal Regulations.
6	(2) Secretary.—The term "Secretary", except
7	as otherwise provided, means the Secretary of the
8	Interior or the Secretary's designee.
9	SEC. 3. LEASING PROGRAM FOR LANDS WITHIN THE
10	COASTAL PLAIN.
11	(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall take such ac-
12	tions as are necessary—
13	(1) to establish and implement, in accordance
14	with this Act and acting through the Director of the
15	Bureau of Land Management in consultation with
16	the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife
17	Service, a competitive oil and gas leasing program
18	that will result in an environmentally sound program
19	for the exploration, development, and production of
20	the oil and gas resources of the Coastal Plain; and
21	(2) to administer the provisions of this Act
22	through regulations, lease terms, conditions, restric-
23	tions, prohibitions, stipulations, and other provisions
24	that ensure the oil and gas exploration, development,
25	and production activities on the Coastal Plain will
26	result in no significant adverse effect on fish and
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ther findings or decisions are required to implement
 this determination.

3 (2) ADEQUACY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE 4 INTERIOR'S LEGISLATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT 5 "Final STATEMENT.—The Legislative Environ-6 mental Impact Statement" (April 1987) on the 7 Coastal Plain prepared pursuant to section 1002 of 8 the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation 9 Act of 1980 (16 U.S.C. 3142) and section 102(2)(C)10 of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 11 (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)) is deemed to satisfy the re-12 quirements under the National Environmental Policy 13 Act of 1969 that apply with respect to prelease ac-14 tivities, including actions authorized to be taken by 15 the Secretary to develop and promulgate the regula-16 tions for the establishment of a leasing program au-17 thorized by this Act before the conduct of the first 18 lease sale.

(3) COMPLIANCE WITH NEPA FOR OTHER ACTIONS.—Before conducting the first lease sale under
this Act, the Secretary shall prepare an environmental impact statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 with respect to the actions authorized by this Act that are not referred to
in paragraph (2). Notwithstanding any other law,

1 the Secretary is not required to identify nonleasing 2 alternative courses of action or to analyze the envi-3 ronmental effects of such courses of action. The Sec-4 retary shall only identify a preferred action for such 5 leasing and a single leasing alternative, and analyze 6 the environmental effects and potential mitigation 7 measures for those two alternatives. The identifica-8 tion of the preferred action and related analysis for 9 the first lease sale under this Act shall be completed 10 within 18 months after the date of enactment of this 11 Act. The Secretary shall only consider public com-12 ments that specifically address the Secretary's pre-13 ferred action and that are filed within 20 days after 14 publication of an environmental analysis. Notwith-15 standing any other law, compliance with this para-16 graph is deemed to satisfy all requirements for the 17 analysis and consideration of the environmental ef-18 fects of proposed leasing under this Act.

(d) RELATIONSHIP TO STATE AND LOCAL AUTHORITY.—Nothing in this Act shall be considered to expand
or limit State and local regulatory authority.

22 (e) Special Areas.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, after consultation with the State of Alaska, the city of
Kaktovik, and the North Slope Borough, may des-

1 ignate up to a total of 45,000 acres of the Coastal 2 Plain as a Special Area if the Secretary determines 3 that the Special Area is of such unique character 4 and interest so as to require special management 5 and regulatory protection. The Secretary shall des-6 ignate as such a Special Area the Sadlerochit Spring 7 area, comprising approximately 4,000 acres. 8 (2) MANAGEMENT.—Each such Special Area 9 shall be managed so as to protect and preserve the 10 area's unique and diverse character including its 11 fish, wildlife, and subsistence resource values. 12 (3) EXCLUSION FROM LEASING OR SURFACE

12 (b) Excitosion Friom Endshor on SonrAcE 13 OCCUPANCY.—The Secretary may exclude any Spe-14 cial Area from leasing. If the Secretary leases a Spe-15 cial Area, or any part thereof, for purposes of oil 16 and gas exploration, development, production, and 17 related activities, there shall be no surface occu-18 pancy of the lands comprising the Special Area.

(4) DIRECTIONAL DRILLING.—Notwithstanding
the other provisions of this subsection, the Secretary
may lease all or a portion of a Special Area under
terms that permit the use of horizontal drilling technology from sites on leases located outside the Special Area.

(f) LIMITATION ON CLOSED AREAS.—The Sec retary's sole authority to close lands within the Coastal
 Plain to oil and gas leasing and to exploration, develop ment, and production is that set forth in this Act.

5 (g) REGULATIONS.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall pre-7 scribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry 8 out this Act, including rules and regulations relating 9 to protection of the fish and wildlife, their habitat, 10 subsistence resources, and environment of the Coast-11 al Plain, by no later than 15 months after the date 12 of enactment of this Act.

(2) REVISION OF REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall periodically review and, if appropriate,
revise the rules and regulations issued under subsection (a) to reflect any significant biological, environmental, or engineering data that come to the Secretary's attention.

19 SEC. 4. LEASE SALES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Lands may be leased pursuant to
this Act to any person qualified to obtain a lease for deposits of oil and gas under the Mineral Leasing Act (30
U.S.C. 181 et seq.).

24 (b) PROCEDURES.—The Secretary shall, by regula25 tion, establish procedures for—

(1) receipt and consideration of sealed nomina-1 2 tions for any area in the Coastal Plain for inclusion 3 in, or exclusion (as provided in subsection (c)) from, 4 a lease sale; 5 (2) the holding of lease sales after such nomina-6 tion process; and 7 (3) public notice of and comment on designa-8 tion of areas to be included in, or excluded from, a 9 lease sale. 10 (c) LEASE SALE BIDS.—Bidding for leases under 11 this Act shall be by sealed competitive cash bonus bids. 12 (d) ACREAGE MINIMUM IN FIRST SALE.—In the first lease sale under this Act, the Secretary shall offer for lease 13 those tracts the Secretary considers to have the greatest 14 15 potential for the discovery of hydrocarbons, taking into consideration nominations received pursuant to subsection 16 17 (b)(1), but in no case less than 200,000 acres. 18 TIMING OF LEASE SALES.—The (e) Secretary 19 shall— 20(1) conduct the first lease sale under this Act 21 within 22 months after the date of the enactment of 22 this Act; and 23 (2) conduct additional sales so long as sufficient 24 interest in development exists to warrant, in the Sec-

25 retary's judgment, the conduct of such sales.

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1 SEC. 5. GRANT OF LEASES BY THE SECRETARY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may grant to the
highest responsible qualified bidder in a lease sale conducted pursuant to section 4 any lands to be leased on
the Coastal Plain upon payment by the lessee of such
bonus as may be accepted by the Secretary.

7 (b) SUBSEQUENT TRANSFERS.—No lease issued 8 under this Act may be sold, exchanged, assigned, sublet, 9 or otherwise transferred except with the approval of the 10 Secretary. Prior to any such approval the Secretary shall 11 consult with, and give due consideration to the views of, 12 the Attorney General.

13 SEC. 6. LEASE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—An oil or gas lease issued pursu-15 ant to this Act shall—

(1) provide for the payment of a royalty of not
less than 12¹/₂ percent in amount or value of the
production removed or sold from the lease, as determined by the Secretary under the regulations applicable to other Federal oil and gas leases;

(2) provide that the Secretary may close, on a
seasonal basis, portions of the Coastal Plain to exploratory drilling activities as necessary to protect
caribou calving areas and other species of fish and
wildlife;

1 (3) require that the lesse of lands within the 2 Coastal Plain shall be fully responsible and liable for the reclamation of lands within the Coastal Plain 3 4 and any other Federal lands that are adversely af-5 fected in connection with exploration, development, 6 production, or transportation activities conducted 7 under the lease and within the Coastal Plain by the 8 lessee or by any of the subcontractors or agents of 9 the lessee;

(4) provide that the lessee may not delegate or
convey, by contract or otherwise, the reclamation responsibility and liability to another person without
the express written approval of the Secretary;

14 (5) provide that the standard of reclamation for 15 lands required to be reclaimed under this Act shall 16 be, as nearly as practicable, a condition capable of 17 supporting the uses which the lands were capable of 18 supporting prior to any exploration, development, or 19 production activities, or upon application by the les-20 see, to a higher or better use as approved by the 21 Secretary;

(6) contain terms and conditions relating to
protection of fish and wildlife, their habitat, subsistence resources, and the environment as required
pursuant to section 3(a)(2);

(7) provide that the lessee, its agents, and its 1 2 contractors use best efforts to provide a fair share, 3 as determined by the level of obligation previously 4 agreed to in the 1974 agreement implementing sec-5 tion 29 of the Federal Agreement and Grant of 6 Right of Way for the Operation of the Trans-Alaska 7 Pipeline, of employment and contracting for Alaska 8 Natives and Alaska Native Corporations from 9 throughout the State;

10 (8) prohibit the export of oil produced under11 the lease; and

(9) contain such other provisions as the Secretary determines necessary to ensure compliance
with the provisions of this Act and the regulations
issued under this Act.

16 (b) PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS.—The Secretary, as a term and condition of each lease under this Act and 17 in recognizing the Government's proprietary interest in 18 labor stability and in the ability of construction labor and 19 20 management to meet the particular needs and conditions 21 of projects to be developed under the leases issued pursu-22 ant to this Act and the special concerns of the parties to 23 such leases, shall require that the lessee and its agents 24 and contractors negotiate to obtain a project labor agree-25 ment for the employment of laborers and mechanics on

production, maintenance, and construction under the
 lease.

3 SEC. 7. COASTAL PLAIN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

4 (a) NO SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT STANDARD
5 TO GOVERN AUTHORIZED COASTAL PLAIN ACTIVITIES.—
6 The Secretary shall, consistent with the requirements of
7 section 3, administer the provisions of this Act through
8 regulations, lease terms, conditions, restrictions, prohibi9 tions, stipulations, and other provisions that—

(1) ensure the oil and gas exploration, development, and production activities on the Coastal Plain
will result in no significant adverse effect on fish
and wildlife, their habitat, and the environment;

(2) require the application of the best commercially available technology for oil and gas exploration, development, and production on all new exploration, development, and production operations;
and

(3) ensure that the maximum amount of surface acreage covered by production and support facilities, including airstrips and any areas covered by
gravel berms or piers for support of pipelines, does
not exceed 2,000 acres on the Coastal Plain.

(b) SITE-SPECIFIC ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION.—
 The Secretary shall also require, with respect to any pro posed drilling and related activities, that—

4 (1) a site-specific analysis be made of the prob5 able effects, if any, that the drilling or related activi6 ties will have on fish and wildlife, their habitat, sub7 sistence resources, and the environment;

8 (2) a plan be implemented to avoid, minimize,
9 and mitigate (in that order and to the extent prac10 ticable) any significant adverse effect identified
11 under paragraph (1); and

12 (3) the development of the plan shall occur 13 after consultation with the agency or agencies hav-14 ing jurisdiction over matters mitigated by the plan. 15 (c) REGULATIONS TO PROTECT COASTAL PLAIN FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES, SUBSISTENCE USERS, 16 AND THE ENVIRONMENT.—Before implementing the leas-17 ing program authorized by this Act, the Secretary shall 18 prepare and promulgate regulations, lease terms, condi-19 tions, restrictions, prohibitions, stipulations, and other 20 21 measures designed to ensure that the activities undertaken 22 on the Coastal Plain under this Act are conducted in a 23 manner consistent with the purposes and environmental 24 requirements of this Act.

(d) COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE ENVI RONMENTAL LAWS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—The
 proposed regulations, lease terms, conditions, restrictions,
 prohibitions, and stipulations for the leasing program
 under this Act shall require compliance with all applicable
 provisions of Federal and State environmental law, and
 shall also require the following:

8 (1) Standards at least as effective as the safety 9 and environmental mitigation measures set forth in 10 items 1 through 29 at pages 167 through 169 of the 11 "Final Legislative Environmental Impact State-12 ment" (April 1987) on the Coastal Plain.

(2) Seasonal limitations on exploration, development, and related activities, where necessary, to
avoid significant adverse effects during periods of
concentrated fish and wildlife breeding, denning,
nesting, spawning, and migration.

18 (3) That exploration activities, except for sur-19 face geological studies, be limited to the period be-20 tween approximately November 1 and May 1 each 21 year and that exploration activities shall be sup-22 ported, if necessary, by ice roads, winter trails with 23 adequate snow cover, ice pads, ice airstrips, and air 24 transport methods, except that such exploration ac-25 tivities may occur at other times if the Secretary

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1	finds that such exploration will have no significant
2	adverse effect on the fish and wildlife, their habitat,
3	and the environment of the Coastal Plain.
4	(4) Design safety and construction standards
5	for all pipelines and any access and service roads,
6	that—
7	(A) minimize, to the maximum extent pos-
8	sible, adverse effects upon the passage of mi-
9	gratory species such as caribou; and
10	(B) minimize adverse effects upon the flow
11	of surface water by requiring the use of cul-
12	verts, bridges, and other structural devices.
13	(5) Prohibitions on general public access and
14	use on all pipeline access and service roads.
15	(6) Stringent reclamation and rehabilitation re-
16	quirements, consistent with the standards set forth
17	in this Act, requiring the removal from the Coastal
18	Plain of all oil and gas development and production
19	facilities, structures, and equipment upon completion
20	of oil and gas production operations, except that the
21	Secretary may exempt from the requirements of this
22	paragraph those facilities, structures, or equipment
23	that the Secretary determines would assist in the
24	management of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge

and that are donated to the United States for that
purpose.
(7) Appropriate prohibitions or restrictions on
access by all modes of transportation.
(8) Appropriate prohibitions or restrictions on
sand and gravel extraction.
(9) Consolidation of facility siting.
(10) Appropriate prohibitions or restrictions on
use of explosives.
(11) Avoidance, to the extent practicable, of
springs, streams, and river system; the protection of
natural surface drainage patterns, wetlands, and ri-
parian habitats; and the regulation of methods or
techniques for developing or transporting adequate
supplies of water for exploratory drilling.
(12) Avoidance or minimization of air traffic-re-
lated disturbance to fish and wildlife.
(13) Treatment and disposal of hazardous and
toxic wastes, solid wastes, reserve pit fluids, drilling
muds and cuttings, and domestic wastewater, includ-
ing an annual waste management report, a haz-
ardous materials tracking system, and a prohibition
on chlorinated solvents, in accordance with applica-
ble Federal and State environmental law.

1	(14) Fuel storage and oil spill contingency plan-
2	ning.
3	(15) Research, monitoring, and reporting re-
4	quirements.
5	(16) Field crew environmental briefings.
6	(17) Avoidance of significant adverse effects
7	upon subsistence hunting, fishing, and trapping by
8	subsistence users.
9	(18) Compliance with applicable air and water
10	quality standards.
11	(19) Appropriate seasonal and safety zone des-
12	ignations around well sites, within which subsistence
13	hunting and trapping shall be limited.
14	(20) Reasonable stipulations for protection of
15	cultural and archeological resources.
16	(21) All other protective environmental stipula-
17	tions, restrictions, terms, and conditions deemed
18	necessary by the Secretary.
19	(e) CONSIDERATIONS.—In preparing and promul-
20	gating regulations, lease terms, conditions, restrictions,
21	prohibitions, and stipulations under this section, the Sec-
22	retary shall consider the following:
23	(1) The stipulations and conditions that govern
24	the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska leasing pro-
25	gram, as set forth in the 1999 Northeast National

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Petroleum Reserve-Alaska Final Integrated Activity
Plan/Environmental Impact Statement.
(2) The environmental protection standards
that governed the initial Coastal Plain seismic explo-
ration program under parts 37.31 to 37.33 of title
50, Code of Federal Regulations.
(3) The land use stipulations for exploratory
drilling on the KIC–ASRC private lands that are set
forth in Appendix 2 of the August 9, 1983, agree-
ment between Arctic Slope Regional Corporation and
the United States.
(f) FACILITY CONSOLIDATION PLANNING.—
(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, after
providing for public notice and comment, prepare
and update periodically a plan to govern, guide, and
direct the siting and construction of facilities for the
exploration, development, production, and transpor-
tation of Coastal Plain oil and gas resources.
(2) Objectives.—The plan shall have the fol-
lowing objectives:
(A) Avoiding unnecessary duplication of fa-
cilities and activities.
(B) Encouraging consolidation of common
facilities and activities.

1	(C) Locating or confining facilities and ac-
2	tivities to areas that will minimize impact on
3	fish and wildlife, their habitat, and the environ-
4	ment.
5	(D) Utilizing existing facilities wherever
6	practicable.
7	(E) Enhancing compatibility between wild-
8	life values and development activities.
9	(g) Access to Public Lands.—The Secretary
10	shall—
11	(1) manage public lands in the Coastal Plain
12	subject to subsections (a) and (b) of section 811 of
13	the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation
14	Act (16 U.S.C. 3121); and
15	(2) ensure that local residents shall have rea-
16	sonable access to public lands in the Coastal Plain
17	for traditional uses.
18	SEC. 8. EXPEDITED JUDICIAL REVIEW.
19	(a) FILING OF COMPLAINT.—
20	(1) DEADLINE.—Subject to paragraph (2) , any
21	complaint seeking judicial review of any provision of
22	this Act or any action of the Secretary under this
23	Act shall be filed—

1	(A) except as provided in subparagraph
2	(B), within the 90-day period beginning on the
3	date of the action being challenged; or
4	(B) in the case of a complaint based solely
5	on grounds arising after such period, within 90
6	days after the complainant knew or reasonably
7	should have known of the grounds for the com-
8	plaint.
9	(2) VENUE.—Any complaint seeking judicial re-
10	view of any provision of this Act or any action of the
11	Secretary under this Act may be filed only in the
12	United States Court of Appeals for the District of
13	Columbia.
14	(3) LIMITATION ON SCOPE OF CERTAIN RE-
15	VIEW.—Judicial review of a Secretarial decision to
16	conduct a lease sale under this Act, including the en-
17	vironmental analysis thereof, shall be limited to
18	whether the Secretary has complied with the terms
19	of this Act and shall be based upon the administra-
20	tive record of that decision. The Secretary's identi-
21	fication of a preferred course of action to enable
22	leasing to proceed and the Secretary's analysis of
23	environmental effects under this Act shall be pre-
24	sumed to be correct unless shown otherwise by clear
25	and convincing evidence to the contrary.

1 (b) LIMITATION ON OTHER REVIEW.—Actions of the 2 Secretary with respect to which review could have been 3 obtained under this section shall not be subject to judicial 4 review in any civil or criminal proceeding for enforcement. 5 SEC. 9. FEDERAL AND STATE DISTRIBUTION OF REVENUES. 6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-7 sion of law, of the amount of adjusted bonus, rental, and 8 royalty revenues from Federal oil and gas leasing and op-9 erations authorized under this Act— 10 (1) 50 percent shall be paid to the State of 11 Alaska; and 12 (2) except as provided in section 12(d), the bal-13 ance shall be deposited into the Treasury as mis-14 cellaneous receipts. 15 (b) PAYMENTS TO ALASKA.—Payments to the State of Alaska under this section shall be made semiannually. 16 17 SEC. 10. RIGHTS-OF-WAY ACROSS THE COASTAL PLAIN. 18 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall issue rights-

19 of-way and easements across the Coastal Plain for the
20 transportation of oil and gas—

(1) except as provided in paragraph (2), under
section 28 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C.
185), without regard to title XI of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (30 U.S.C.
3161 et seq.); and

(2) under title XI of the Alaska National Inter est Lands Conservation Act (30 U.S.C. 3161 et
 seq.), for access authorized by sections 1110 and
 1111 of that Act (16 U.S.C. 3170 and 3171).

5 (b) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Secretary shall include in any right-of-way or easement issued under sub-6 7 section (a) such terms and conditions as may be necessary 8 to ensure that transportation of oil and gas does not result 9 in a significant adverse effect on the fish and wildlife, sub-10 sistence resources, their habitat, and the environment of the Coastal Plain, including requirements that facilities be 11 12 sited or designed so as to avoid unnecessary duplication 13 of roads and pipelines.

(c) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall include in
regulations under section 3(g) provisions granting rightsof-way and easements described in subsection (a) of this
section.

18 SEC. 11. CONVEYANCE.

In order to maximize Federal revenues by removing
clouds on title to lands and clarifying land ownership patterns within the Coastal Plain, the Secretary, notwithstanding the provisions of section 1302(h)(2) of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C.
3192(h)(2)), shall convey—

1 (1) to the Kaktovik Inupiat Corporation the 2 surface estate of the lands described in paragraph 1 3 of Public Land Order 6959, to the extent necessary 4 to fulfill the Corporation's entitlement under sections 12 and 14 of the Alaska Native Claims Settle-5 ment Act (43 U.S.C. 1611 and 1613) in accordance 6 7 with the terms and conditions of the Agreement be-8 tween the Department of the Interior, the United 9 States Fish and Wildlife Service, the Bureau of 10 Land Management, and the Kaktovik Inupiat Cor-11 poration effective January 22, 1993; and 12 (2) to the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation 13 the remaining subsurface estate to which it is enti-14 tled pursuant to the August 9, 1983, agreement between the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation and the 15 16 United States of America. 17 SEC. 12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT AID AND COMMU-18 NITY SERVICE ASSISTANCE. 19 (a) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED. 20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may use 21 amounts available from the Coastal Plain Local Gov-22 ernment Impact Aid Assistance Fund established by 23 subsection (d) to provide timely financial assistance 24 to entities that are eligible under paragraph (2) and 25 that are directly impacted by the exploration for or production of oil and gas on the Coastal Plain under
 this Act.

ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—The North Slope 3 (2)4 Borough, the City of Kaktovik, and any other bor-5 ough, municipal subdivision, village, or other com-6 munity in the State of Alaska that is directly im-7 pacted by exploration for, or the production of, oil 8 or gas on the Coastal Plain under this Act, as deter-9 mined by the Secretary, shall be eligible for financial 10 assistance under this section.

11 (b) USE OF ASSISTANCE.—Financial assistance12 under this section may be used only for—

(1) planning for mitigation of the potential effects of oil and gas exploration and development on
environmental, social, cultural, recreational, and subsistence values;

17 (2) implementing mitigation plans and main-18 taining mitigation projects;

(3) developing, carrying out, and maintaining
projects and programs that provide new or expanded
public facilities and services to address needs and
problems associated with such effects, including firefighting, police, water, waste treatment, medivac,
and medical services; and

1	(4) establishment of a coordination office, by
2	the north slope borough, in the city of kaktovik,
3	which shall—
4	(A) coordinate with and advise developers
5	on local conditions, impact, and history of the
6	areas utilized for development; and
7	(B) provide to the Committee on Resources
8	of the House of Representatives and the Com-
9	mittee on Energy and Natural Resources of the
10	Senate an annual report on the status of co-
11	ordination between developers and the commu-
12	nities affected by development.
13	(c) Application.—
14	(1) IN GENERAL.—Any community that is eligi-
15	ble for assistance under this section may submit an
16	application for such assistance to the Secretary, in
17	such form and under such procedures as the Sec-
18	retary may prescribe by regulation.
19	(2) North slope borough communities.—A
20	community located in the North Slope Borough may
21	apply for assistance under this section either directly
22	to the Secretary or through the North Slope Bor-
23	ough
24	(3) Application assistance.—The Secretary
25	shall work closely with and assist the North Slope

1	Borough and other communities eligible for assist-
2	ance under this section in developing and submitting
3	applications for assistance under this section.
4	(d) Establishment of Fund.—
5	(1) IN GENERAL.—There is established in the
6	Treasury the Coastal Plain Local Government Im-
7	pact Aid Assistance Fund.
8	(2) USE.—Amounts in the fund may be used
9	only for providing financial assistance under this
10	section.
11	(3) DEPOSITS.—Subject to paragraph (4), there
12	shall be deposited into the fund amounts received by
13	the United States as revenues derived from rents,
14	bonuses, and royalties from Federal leases and lease
15	sales authorized under this Act.
16	(4) LIMITATION ON DEPOSITS.—The total
17	amount in the fund may not exceed \$11,000,000.
18	(5) INVESTMENT OF BALANCES.—The Sec-
19	retary of the Treasury shall invest amounts in the
20	fund in interest bearing government securities.
21	(e) Authorization of Appropriations.—To pro-
22	vide financial assistance under this section there is author-
23	ized to be appropriated to the Secretary from the Coastal

- 1 Plain Local Government Impact Aid Assistance Fund
- $2\ \$5,000,000$ for each fiscal year.