

**(b) Purposes**

It is the purpose of this section,<sup>1</sup> to provide for the funding of education and training programs to better identify, avoid, and prevent unsafe working conditions in and around mines.

**(c) Eligibility**

To be eligible to receive a grant under this section, an entity shall—

- (1) be a public or private nonprofit entity; and
- (2) submit to the Secretary of Labor an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require.

**(d) Use of funds**

Amounts received under a grant under this section shall be used to establish and implement education and training programs, or to develop training materials for employers and miners, concerning safety and health topics in mines, as determined appropriate by the Mine Safety and Health Administration.

**(e) Awarding of grants**

**(1) Annual basis**

Grants under this section shall be awarded on an annual basis.

**(2) Special emphasis**

In awarding grants under this section, the Secretary of Labor shall give special emphasis to programs and materials that target workers in smaller mines, including training miners and employers about new Mine Safety and Health Administration standards, high risk activities, or hazards identified by such Administration.

**(3) Priority**

In awarding grants under this section, the Secretary of Labor shall give priority to the funding of pilot and demonstration projects that the Secretary determines will provide opportunities for broad applicability for mine safety.

**(f) Evaluation**

The Secretary of Labor shall use not less than 1 percent of the funds made available to carry out this section in a fiscal year to conduct evaluations of the projects funded under grants under this section.

**(g) Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated for each fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 109-236, §14, June 15, 2006, 120 Stat. 504.)

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Mine Improvement and New Emergency Response Act of 2006, also known as the MINER Act, and not as part of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 which comprises this chapter.

**§ 966. Retention of fees**

The Mine Safety and Health Administration may retain up to \$2,499,000 in this fiscal year and

<sup>1</sup> So in original. The comma probably should not appear.

each fiscal year thereafter from fees collected for the approval and certification of equipment, materials, and explosives for use in mines, and may utilize such sums for such activities.

(Pub. L. 113-76, div. H, title I, Jan. 17, 2014, 128 Stat. 357.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This fiscal year, referred to in text, is fiscal year 2014.

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2014, and also as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014, and not as part of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 which comprises this chapter.

SIMILAR PROVISIONS

Similar provisions were contained in the following appropriation acts:

- Pub. L. 115-31, div. H, title I, May 5, 2017, 131 Stat. 512.
- Pub. L. 114-113, div. H, title I, Dec. 18, 2015, 129 Stat. 2593.
- Pub. L. 113-235, div. G, title I, Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2460.

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**§ 1001. Definitions**

As used in this chapter, the term—

- (a) “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior;
- (b) “geothermal lease” means a lease issued under authority of this chapter;
- (c) “geothermal resources” means (i) all products of geothermal processes, embracing indigenous steam, hot water and hot brines; (ii) steam and other gases, hot water and hot brines resulting from water, gas, or other