purposes of this section only upon application by the institution and only upon his finding-

(A) that such program has a principal objective the education and training of persons in the operation and maintenance of treatment works;

(B) that such program is in effect and of high quality, or can be readily put into effect and may reasonably be expected to be of high qualitv

(C) that the application describes the relation of such program to any program, activity, research, or development set forth by the applicant in an application, if any, submitted pursuant to section 1260 of this title; and

(D) that the application contains satisfactory assurances that (i) the institution will recommend to the Administrator for the award of scholarships under this section, for study in such program, only persons who have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the institution a serious intent, upon completing the program, to enter an occupation involving the operation and maintenance of treatment works, and (ii) the institution will make reasonable continuing efforts to encourage recipients of scholarships under this section, enrolled in such program, to enter occupations involving the operation and maintenance of treatment works upon completing the program.

(4)(A) The Administrator shall pay to persons awarded scholarships under this section such stipends (including such allowances for subsistence and other expenses for such persons and their dependents) as he may determine to be consistent with prevailing practices under comparable federally supported programs.

(B) The Administrator shall (in addition to the stipends paid to persons under paragraph (1)) pay to the institution of higher education at which such person is pursuing his course of study such amount as he may determine to be consistent with prevailing practices under comparable federally supported programs.

(5) A person awarded a scholarship under the provisions of this section shall continue to receive the payments provided in this section only during such periods as the Administrator finds that he is maintaining satisfactory proficiency and devoting full time to study or research in the field in which such scholarship was awarded in an institution of higher education, and is not engaging in gainful employment other than employment approved by the Administrator by or pursuant to regulation.

(6) The Administrator shall by regulation provide that any person awarded a scholarship under this section shall agree in writing to enter and remain in an occupation involving the design, operation, or maintenance of treatment works for such period after completion of his course of studies as the Administrator determines appropriate.

(June 30, 1948, ch. 758, title I, §111, as added Pub. L. 92-500, §2, Oct. 18, 1972, 86 Stat. 831.)

# §1262. Definitions and authorizations

(a) As used in sections 1259 through 1262 of this title-

(1) The term "institution of higher education" means an educational institution described in the first sentence of section 1001 of title 20 (other than an institution of any agency of the United States) which is accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association approved by the Administrator for this purpose. For purposes of this subsection, the Administrator shall publish a list of nationally recognized accrediting agencies or associations which he determines to be reliable authority as to the quality of training offered.

(2) The term "academic year" means an academic year or its equivalent, as determined by the Administrator.

(b) The Administrator shall annually report his activities under sections 1259 through 1262 of this title, including recommendations for needed revisions in the provisions thereof.

(c) There are authorized to be appropriated \$25,000,000 per fiscal year for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1973, June 30, 1974, and June 30, 1975, \$6,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977, \$7,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978, \$7,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1979, \$7,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1980, \$7,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1981, \$7,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1982, such sums as may be necessary for fiscal years 1983 through 1985, and \$7,000,000 per fiscal year for each of the fiscal years 1986 through 1990, to carry out sections 1259 through 1262 of this title.

(June 30, 1948, ch. 758, title I, §112, as added Pub. L. 92-500, §2, Oct. 18, 1972, 86 Stat. 832; amended Pub. L. 93-592, §4, Jan. 2, 1975, 88 Stat. 1925; Pub. L. 95-217, §4(d), Dec. 27, 1977, 91 Stat. 1566; Pub. L. 96-483, §1(c), Oct. 21, 1980, 94 Stat. 2360; Pub. L. 100-4, title I, §101(c), Feb. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 9; Pub. L. 105-244, title I, §102(a)(11), Oct. 7, 1998, 112 Stat. 1620.)

### Amendments

1998—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 105-244 substituted "sec-

1987—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 100–4 struck out "and" after "1981," and inserted "such sums as may be necessary for fiscal years 1983 through 1985, and \$7,000,000 per fiscal year for each of the fiscal years 1986 through 1990,' after "1982,".

1980-Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 96-483 inserted authorization of the sum of \$7,000,000 for each of fiscal years end-

ing Sept. 30, 1981 and 1982. 1977—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 95-217 substituted "June 30, 1975, \$6,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977, \$7,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978. \$7.000.000 for the fiscal year ending September 30. 1979, and \$7,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1980," for "June 30, 1975,". 1975—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 93-592 substituted "June 30,

1974, and June 30, 1975," for "and June 30, 1974,".

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMEN

Amendment by Pub. L. 105-244 effective Oct. 1, 1998, except as otherwise provided in Pub. L. 105-244, see section 3 of Pub. L. 105-244, set out as a note under section 1001 of Title 20, Education.

### §1263. Alaska village demonstration projects

# (a) Central community facilities for safe water: elimination or control of pollution

The Administrator is authorized to enter into agreements with the State of Alaska to carry