

(Pub. L. 102-486, title VI, §624, Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 2905.)

**§ 13295. Repealed. Pub. L. 105-362, title IV, § 401(b), Nov. 10, 1998, 112 Stat. 3282**

Section, Pub. L. 102-486, title VI, §625, Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 2905, related to electric utility participation study.

**§ 13296. Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary for purposes of this part \$40,000,000 for the 5-year period beginning with the first full fiscal year after October 24, 1992, to remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 102-486, title VI, §626, Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 2905.)

SUBCHAPTER V—RENEWABLE ENERGY

**§ 13311. Purposes**

The purposes of this subchapter are to promote—

- (1) increases in the production and utilization of energy from renewable energy resources;
- (2) further advances of renewable energy technologies; and
- (3) exports of United States renewable energy technologies and services.

(Pub. L. 102-486, title XII, §1201, Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 2956.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This subchapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this title” meaning title XII of Pub. L. 102-486, Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 2956, which enacted this subchapter and amended sections 6276, 12001 to 12003, 12005, and 12006 of this title.

**§ 13312. Renewable energy export technology training**

**(a) Establishment of program**

The Secretary, through the Agency for International Development, shall establish a program for the training of individuals from developing countries in the operation and maintenance of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies in accordance with this section. The Secretary and the Administrator of the Agency for International Development shall, within one year after October 24, 1992, enter into a written agreement to carry out this program.

**(b) Purpose**

The purpose of the program established under this section shall be to train appropriate persons in the system design, operation, and maintenance of renewable energy and energy efficiency equipment manufactured in the United States, including equipment for water pumping, heating and purification, and the production of electric power in remote areas.

**(c) Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary \$6,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1994, 1995, and 1996, to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 102-486, title XII, §1203, Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 2961.)

**§ 13313. Renewable Energy Advancement Awards**

**(a) Authority**

The Secretary shall make Renewable Energy Advancement Awards in recognition of developments that advance the practical application of biomass, geothermal, hydroelectric, photovoltaic, solar thermal, ocean thermal, and wind technologies to consumer, utility, or industrial uses, in accordance with this section. Except as provided in subsection (f), Renewable Energy Advancement Awards shall include a cash award.

**(b) Selection criteria**

The Secretary, in consultation with the Advisory Committee on Demonstration and Commercial Application of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Technologies (in this section referred to as the “Advisory Committee”), under section 12005 of this title, shall develop criteria to be applied in the selection of award recipients under this section. Such criteria shall include the following:

- (1) The degree to which the technological development increases the utilization of renewable energy.
- (2) The degree to which the development will have a significant impact, by benefitting a large number of people, by reducing the costs of an important industrial process or commercial product or service, or otherwise.
- (3) The ingenuity of the development.
- (4) Whether the application has significant export potential.
- (5) The environmental soundness of the development.

**(c) Selection**

Beginning in fiscal year 1994, and annually thereafter for a period of 10 years, the Secretary, in consultation with the Advisory Committee, shall select developments described in subsection (a) that are worthy of receiving an award under this section, and shall make such awards.

**(d) Eligibility**

Awards may be made under this section only to individuals who are United States nationals or permanent resident aliens, or to non-Federal organizations that are organized under the laws of the United States or the laws of a State of the United States.

**(e) Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary \$50,000 for each of the fiscal years 1994, 1995, and 1996 for carrying out this section.

**(f) Awards made in absence of appropriations**

The Secretary shall make honorary awards under this section if sufficient funds are not available for financial awards in any fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 102-486, title XII, §1204, Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 2961.)

**§ 13314. Study of tax and rate treatment of renewable energy projects**

(a) The Secretary, in conjunction with State regulatory commissions, shall undertake a study to determine if conventional taxation and