

numbered § 22, Pub. L. 100-235, § 3(2), Jan. 8, 1988, 101 Stat. 1724; renumbered § 32, Pub. L. 107-305, § 8(a)(1), Nov. 27, 2002, 116 Stat. 2375.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 278h of this title prior to renumbering by Pub. L. 107-305.

Another section 32 of act Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 872, was renumbered section 35 and is set out as a Short Title note under section 271 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1980—Pub. L. 96-461 substituted “Appropriations” for “(a) Appropriations” and struck out subsec. (b) which authorized appropriations to carry out provisions of this chapter, including the Working Capital Fund referred to in section 278b(a) of this title, but excluding section 278f of this title, of such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1979 and 1980.

1978—Pub. L. 95-322 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

§ 278r. Collaborative manufacturing research pilot grants

(a) Authority

(1) Establishment

The Director shall establish a pilot program of awards to partnerships among participants described in paragraph (2) for the purposes described in paragraph (3). Awards shall be made on a peer-reviewed, competitive basis.

(2) Participants

Such partnerships shall include at least—

- (A) 1 manufacturing industry partner; and
- (B) 1 nonindustry partner.

(3) Purpose

The purpose of the program under this section is to foster cost-shared collaborations among firms, educational institutions, research institutions, State agencies, and non-profit organizations to encourage the development of innovative, multidisciplinary manufacturing technologies. Partnerships receiving awards under this section shall conduct applied research to develop new manufacturing processes, techniques, or materials that would contribute to improved performance, productivity, and competitiveness of United States manufacturing, and build lasting alliances among collaborators.

(b) Program contribution

Awards under this section shall provide for not more than one-third of the costs of a partnership. Not more than an additional one-third of such costs may be obtained directly or indirectly from other Federal sources.

(c) Applications

Applications for awards under this section shall be submitted in such manner, at such time, and containing such information as the Director shall require. Such applications shall describe at a minimum—

- (1) how each partner will participate in developing and carrying out the research agenda of the partnership;
- (2) the research that the grant would fund; and

(3) how the research to be funded with the award would contribute to improved performance, productivity, and competitiveness of the United States manufacturing industry.

(d) Selection criteria

In selecting applications for awards under this section, the Director shall consider at a minimum—

- (1) the degree to which projects will have a broad impact on manufacturing;
- (2) the novelty and scientific and technical merit of the proposed projects; and
- (3) the demonstrated capabilities of the applicants to successfully carry out the proposed research.

(e) Distribution

In selecting applications under this section the Director shall ensure, to the extent practicable, a distribution of overall awards among a variety of manufacturing industry sectors and a range of firm sizes.

(f) Duration

In carrying out this section, the Director shall run a single pilot competition to solicit and make awards. Each award shall be for a 3-year period.

(Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 872, § 33, as added Pub. L. 110-69, title III, § 3007(2), Aug. 9, 2007, 121 Stat. 591.)

§ 278s. Manufacturing USA

(a) Definitions

In this section:

(1) Agency head

The term “agency head” means the head of any Executive agency (as defined in section 105 of title 5), other than the Department of Defense.

(2) Regional innovation initiative

The term “regional innovation initiative” has the meaning given such term in section 3722(f)(1) of this title.

(b) Establishment of Manufacturing USA Program

(1) In general

The Secretary shall establish within the Institute a program to be known as the “Manufacturing United States of America Program” or the “Manufacturing USA Program” (referred to in this section as the “Program”).

(2) Purposes of Program

The purposes of the Program are—

- (A) to improve the competitiveness of United States manufacturing and to increase the production of goods manufactured predominantly within the United States;
- (B) to stimulate United States leadership in advanced manufacturing research, innovation, and technology;
- (C) to facilitate the transition of innovative technologies into scalable, cost-effective, and high-performing manufacturing capabilities;
- (D) to facilitate access by manufacturing enterprises to capital-intensive infrastructure, including high-performance electronics