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To provide financial incentives and a regulatory framework to facilitate the development and early deployment of carbon capture and sequestration technologies, and for other purposes.

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Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. VOINOVICH) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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 “Carbon Capture and
5 Sequestration Deployment Act of 2010”.

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1 **TITLE I—CARBON CAPTURE AND**
2 **SEQUESTRATION INNOVA-**
3 **TION PROGRAM**

4 **SEC. 101. PARTNERSHIPS FOR CARBON CAPTURE AND SE-**
5 **QUESTRATION.**

6 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Within 12 months after the
8 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of En-
9 ergy shall establish a cooperative industry-govern-
10 ment research and development program, in addition
11 to and in cooperation with the Office of Fossil Ener-
12 gy’s carbon capture and sequestration research and
13 development program, to demonstrate novel and in-
14 novative technologies—

15 (A) to capture or prevent carbon dioxide
16 emissions from carbon-based fuels;

17 (B) to enable the beneficial use of carbon
18 dioxide; or

19 (C) to enable the long-term storage of car-
20 bon dioxide.

21 (2) PARTICIPATION OF NATIONAL LABORA-
22 TORIES AND UNIVERSITIES.—The program shall in-
23 clude the participation of the National Energy Tech-
24 nology Laboratory and may include the participation

1 of other National Laboratories, universities, and
2 other appropriate entities.

3 (b) COST SHARING.—For purposes of developing and
4 demonstrating the technologies or approaches referred to
5 in subsection (a), the Secretary shall provide at least 80
6 percent of the cost of the development projects and the
7 industry participant shall provide not more than 20 per-
8 cent of such cost.

9 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
10 are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry
11 out this section—

12 (1) \$100,000,000 for each of the fiscal years
13 2011 through 2015;

14 (2) \$50,000,000 for each of the fiscal years
15 2016 through 2020; and

16 (3) \$20,000,000 for each of the fiscal years
17 2021 through 2025.

18 **SEC. 102. ANNUAL DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY ASSESSMENT.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—

20 (1) DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY REPORT.—With-
21 in 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act and
22 annually thereafter until the Secretary of Energy de-
23 termines that technology preventing the emission of,
24 capturing, transporting, permanently storing or se-
25 questering, or putting to beneficial use carbon diox-

1 ide is available to the commercial marketplace, the
2 Department of Energy shall conduct an assessment
3 in accordance with subsection (b) of this section of
4 the existing Federal programs supporting such tech-
5 nology and report to the Secretary and the appro-
6 priate authorizing and appropriating committees of
7 the Congress on the results of the assessment.

8 (2) GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE RE-
9 VIEW.—Within 1 year after the first report is pro-
10 vided to the Secretary and to the appropriate au-
11 thorizing and appropriating committees of the Con-
12 gress under paragraph (1) and subsequently as
13 needed until technology preventing the emission of,
14 capturing, transporting, permanently storing or se-
15 questering, and putting to beneficial use carbon di-
16 oxide is available to the commercial marketplace, the
17 Comptroller General shall conduct a review of the
18 report described in paragraph (1) in accordance with
19 subsection (c) of this section.

20 (b) DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY REPORT REQUIRE-
21 MENTS.—The Department of Energy shall include in the
22 report—

23 (1) a detailed description of the existing pro-
24 grams, including each major program area, that con-

1 ducts or supports research, development, demonstra-
2 tion, and deployment of technology—

3 (A) to prevent the emission of carbon diox-
4 ide or capture of carbon dioxide from sources,
5 including fossil fuel-based power plants;

6 (B) to transport carbon dioxide;

7 (C) to store or sequester captured carbon
8 dioxide permanently; or

9 (D) to put captured carbon dioxide to ben-
10 efiticial use;

11 (2) an assessment, based upon government lab-
12 oratory research experience, available industry re-
13 search experience, and such other data and informa-
14 tion as the Department of Energy deems useful and
15 appropriate, to determine whether each major pro-
16 gram area and principal projects within these areas
17 are designed to, and will, advance fundamental
18 knowledge or achieve significant technical advance-
19 ment and materially improve the technology base to
20 effectively address the prevention of carbon dioxide
21 emissions or capture of carbon dioxide or the trans-
22 port, permanent storage, or beneficial use of cap-
23 tured carbon dioxide; and

24 (3) an assessment of the Department of Ener-
25 gy's estimated time frame and costs necessary to

1 reasonably conclude that technology will be available
2 to the commercial marketplace.

3 (c) GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE REVIEW
4 REQUIREMENTS.—The Government Accountability Office
5 shall include in its review—

6 (1) an analysis of the Department of Energy’s
7 estimated time frames and costs as reported pursu-
8 ant to subsection (b)(3) of this section;

9 (2) any recommendations that the Comptroller
10 General deems appropriate and useful to improve
11 the likelihood of achieving technological advance-
12 ments to mitigate carbon dioxide emissions or to ex-
13 pedite the availability of carbon capture and seques-
14 tration technology for the commercial marketplace;

15 (3) an assessment of any legal or regulatory im-
16 pediment by any Federal agency or department that
17 has arisen in relation to the deployment of carbon
18 capture and storage technology, including any delays
19 in the permitting of such technology or the construc-
20 tion or operation of any such facility; and

21 (4) any other analyses the Government Ac-
22 countability Office deems necessary or appropriate.

23 (d) BUDGET REQUEST REPORT.—Beginning with the
24 budget request for fiscal year 2012 and for each suc-
25 ceeding fiscal year through 2026, the President shall in-

1 clude in his budget request for the Department of Ener-
 2 gy’s Fossil Energy Program a report that—

3 (1) assesses the Department’s progress in im-
 4 plementing the recommendations of the Government
 5 Accountability Office and compares the estimated
 6 costs of completing implementation of these rec-
 7 ommendations to the requested budget levels; and

8 (2) an assessment of the progress made in the
 9 preceding fiscal year toward achieving the goals of
 10 the program for which funding is requested.

11 **TITLE II—CARBON CAPTURE**
 12 **AND SEQUESTRATION**
 13 **PROJECTS**

14 **SUBTITLE A—CARBON CAPTURE**
 15 **AND SEQUESTRATION EARLY**
 16 **AND EFFECTIVE DEPLOY-**
 17 **MENT FUNDING ACT OF 2010**

18 **SECTION 201. SHORT TITLE.**

19 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This subtitle may be cited as the
 20 “Carbon Capture and Sequestration Early and Effective
 21 Deployment Fund Act of 2010” or the “CC SEED FUND
 22 ACT”.

23 **SEC. 202. DEFINITIONS.**

24 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—In this subtitle:

1 (1) CARBON CAPTURE.—The term “carbon cap-
2 ture” has the meaning given the term in section
3 963(a) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C.
4 16293(a)).

5 (2) CARBON SEQUESTRATION.—The term “car-
6 bon sequestration” has the meaning given the term
7 in section 963(a) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005
8 (42 U.S.C. 16293(a)).

9 (3) COUNCIL.—The term “Council” means the
10 Carbon Capture and Sequestration Program Part-
11 nership Council established under section 204(a).

12 (4) ELECTRIC CONSUMER.—The term “electric
13 consumer” has the meaning given that term in sec-
14 tion 3 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act
15 of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2602).

16 (5) ELECTRIC UTILITY.—The term “electric
17 utility” has the meaning given the term in section
18 3 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 796).

19 (6) FOSSIL FUEL-BASED ELECTRICITY.—The
20 term “fossil fuel-based electricity” means electricity
21 that is produced, in whole or in part, from a fossil
22 fuel.

23 (7) FOSSIL FUEL.—The term “fossil fuel”
24 means coal, petroleum, or natural gas, or any deriv-
25 ative of coal, petroleum, or natural gas.

1 (8) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The
2 term “institution of higher education” has the
3 meaning given the term in section 101(a) of the
4 Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a)).

5 (9) NATIONAL LABORATORY.—The term “Na-
6 tional Laboratory” has the meaning given the term
7 in section 2 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42
8 U.S.C. 15801).

9 (10) PROGRAM DIRECTOR.—The term “Pro-
10 gram Director” means the Program Director of the
11 special funding program appointed under section
12 204(g).

13 (11) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
14 means the Secretary of Energy.

15 (12) SPECIAL FUNDING PROGRAM.—The term
16 “special funding program” means the special fund-
17 ing program for development and deployment of car-
18 bon capture, sequestration, and conversion tech-
19 nologies established in accordance with section 203.

20 (13) STATE REGULATORY AUTHORITY.—The
21 term “State regulatory authority” has the meaning
22 given the term in section 3 of the Public Utility Reg-
23 ulatory Policies Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2602).

24 (14) UNITED STATES.—The term “United
25 States” means the States of the United States, the

1 District of Columbia, and the territories and posses-
2 sions of the United States, including the territorial
3 waters of the United States and the exclusive eco-
4 nomic zone.

5 (b) MODIFICATION OF DEFINITIONS INCORPORATED
6 BY REFERENCE.—Section 963 of the Energy Policy Act
7 of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16293) is amended—

8 (1) by redesignating subsections (a) through (d)
9 as subsections (b) through (e), respectively;

10 (2) by inserting before subsection (b) (as so re-
11 designated) the following:

12 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 “(1) CARBON CAPTURE.—The term ‘carbon
14 capture’ means the process of capturing anthropo-
15 genic carbon dioxide from a stationary source or car-
16 bon dioxide in the ambient air.

17 “(2) CARBON SEQUESTRATION.—The term ‘car-
18 bon sequestration’ means the act of storing carbon
19 dioxide through physical, chemical, or biological
20 processes that can prevent the carbon dioxide from
21 reaching the atmosphere.”;

22 (3) in subsection (b) (as so redesignated), by
23 striking “In General” and inserting “Program”; and

1 (4) in subsection (c) (as so redesignated), by
2 striking “subsection (a)” and inserting “subsection
3 (b)”.

4 **SEC. 203. SPECIAL FUNDING PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT**
5 **AND DEPLOYMENT OF CARBON CAPTURE, SE-**
6 **QUESTRATION, AND CONVERSION TECH-**
7 **NOLOGIES.**

8 (a) VIEWS OF STATE REGULATORY AUTHORITIES.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
10 after the date of enactment of this Act, a State reg-
11 ulatory authority shall notify the Secretary in writ-
12 ing of the views of the State regulatory authority on
13 the creation of the special funding program.

14 (2) NOTICE OF TIMELINE.—As soon as prac-
15 ticable, but no later than 30 days after the date of
16 enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall notify
17 each State regulatory authority of the need to sub-
18 mit its views to the Secretary under paragraph (1)
19 within 180 days after the date of enactment of this
20 Act.

21 (b) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish
22 the special funding program within one year after the date
23 of enactment of this Act unless the State regulatory au-
24 thorities of at least 22 States (treating the District of Co-
25 lumbia and Puerto Rico as States for such purpose) sub-

1 mit written notices of disapproval by the deadline estab-
2 lished under subsection (a).

3 (c) TERMINATION.—

4 (1) ASSESSMENTS.—The authority of the Sec-
5 retary to collect assessments shall expire on the date
6 that is 10 years after the date of the establishment
7 of the special funding program.

8 (2) AWARDS.—The authority of the Secretary
9 to make funding awards under this subtitle shall ex-
10 pire on the date that is 15 years after the date of
11 the establishment of the special funding program.

12 (d) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than February 1 of
13 each year, the Secretary shall publish and submit to Con-
14 gress and each State regulatory authority a report that—

15 (1) includes an identification and description of
16 all programs and projects undertaken under the spe-
17 cial funding program during the previous fiscal year;
18 and

19 (2) describes the allocation or planned alloca-
20 tion of resources of the special funding program for
21 each program and project in the current and subse-
22 quent fiscal year.

1 **SEC. 204. CARBON CAPTURE AND SEQUESTRATION PRO-**
2 **GRAM PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish,
4 and appoint the members of, a Carbon Capture and Se-
5 questration Program Partnership Council to carry out du-
6 ties described in subsection (f).

7 (b) VOTING MEMBERSHIP.—

8 (1) TOTAL VOTING MEMBERSHIP; QUORUM.—
9 The Council shall be composed of not more than 15
10 voting members. A majority of the voting members
11 shall constitute a quorum for official action of the
12 Council.

13 (2) MINIMUM REPRESENTATION.—The voting
14 membership of the Council shall include at least 1
15 representative of each of the following:

16 (A) Investor-owned utilities.

17 (B) Utilities owned by a State or unit of
18 local government.

19 (C) Rural electric cooperatives.

20 (D) Fossil fuel producers.

21 (E) Nonprofit organizations.

22 (F) Independent generators or wholesale
23 power providers.

24 (G) Consumer groups.

25 (H) Employee organizations (as defined in
26 section 3(4) of the Employee Retirement In-

1 come Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C.
2 1002(4)).

3 (3) REPRESENTATION OF ELECTRIC UTILI-
4 TIES.—A majority of the voting membership of the
5 Council shall be representatives of electric utilities
6 selling fossil fuel-based electricity to electric con-
7 sumers subject to assessment under section 206.

8 (4) NOMINATIONS.—The Secretary shall ap-
9 point the Council members representing entities de-
10 scribed in subparagraphs (A), (B), (C), and (F) of
11 paragraph (2) from slates of nominees, containing at
12 least 2 candidates for each vacancy to be filled, sub-
13 mitted by—

14 (A) the Edison Electric Institute, on behalf
15 of investor-owned utilities;

16 (B) the American Public Power Associa-
17 tion, on behalf of utilities owned by a State
18 agency or unit of local government;

19 (C) the National Rural Electric Coopera-
20 tive Association, on behalf of rural electric co-
21 operatives; and

22 (D) the Electric Power Supply Association,
23 on behalf of independent generators or whole-
24 sale power providers.

1 (5) RECUSAL.—A voting member of the Council
2 may not participate in the review or approval of an
3 application from an entity with which the voting
4 member is affiliated.

5 (c) NONVOTING MEMBERSHIP.—The Secretary shall
6 appoint to the Council as nonvoting members—

7 (1) the Under Secretary for Science;

8 (2) the Assistant Secretary with responsibility
9 for research and development of fossil fuels;

10 (3) 3 representatives of State regulatory au-
11 thorities, chosen to represent each different trans-
12 mission interconnection, submitted by the National
13 Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners;
14 and

15 (4) such additional officers and employees of
16 the Federal Government as the Secretary determines
17 are necessary for the Council to carry out the func-
18 tions of the Council effectively.

19 (d) TERMS.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise pro-
21 vided in this paragraph, a voting member of the
22 Council—

23 (A) shall serve a term of 4 years; and

24 (B) may serve not more than 2 full con-
25 secutive terms.

1 (2) UNEXPIRED TERMS.—A member who fills
2 the unexpired term of a voting member may serve
3 not more than a total of 8 consecutive years.

4 (3) REAPPOINTMENT OF FORMER VOTING MEM-
5 BERS.—A former voting member of the Council may
6 be reappointed if the member has not been a mem-
7 ber of the Council for a period of at least 2 years.

8 (4) INITIAL APPOINTMENT.—The Secretary
9 shall make initial appointments of voting members
10 of the Council for terms of 1, 2, 3, and 4 years,
11 staggered to provide for the selection of 3 members
12 each year, as determined by the Secretary.

13 (5) VACANCIES.—A vacancy on the Council—

14 (A) shall not affect the powers of the
15 Council; and

16 (B) shall be filled in the same manner as
17 the original appointment was made.

18 (e) PERSONNEL MATTERS.—

19 (1) COMPENSATION.—

20 (A) NON-FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.—A mem-
21 ber of the Council who is not an officer or em-
22 ployee of the Federal Government may be com-
23 pensated at a rate equal to the daily equivalent
24 of the annual rate of basic pay prescribed for
25 level IV of the Executive Schedule under section

1 5315 of title 5, United States Code, for each
2 day (including travel time) during which the
3 member is engaged in the performance of the
4 duties of the Council.

5 (B) FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.—A member of
6 the Council who is an officer or employee of the
7 Federal Government shall serve without com-
8 pensation in addition to the compensation re-
9 ceived for the services of the member as an offi-
10 cer or employee of the Federal Government.

11 (2) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—A member of the
12 Council shall be allowed travel expenses, including
13 per diem in lieu of subsistence, at rates authorized
14 for an employee of an agency under subchapter I of
15 chapter 57 of title 5, United States Code, while
16 away from the home or regular place of business of
17 the member in the performance of the duties of the
18 Council.

19 (3) CHAIR.—The Secretary shall appoint a vot-
20 ing member of the Council to serve as the Chair of
21 the Council.

22 (4) EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.—The Secretary
23 shall appoint an Executive Secretary in the Depart-
24 ment of Energy to assist the Council in the conduct
25 of the duties of the Council.

1 (f) COUNCIL DUTIES.—The Council shall—

2 (1) advise, assist, consult with, and make rec-
3 ommendations to the Secretary and the Program Di-
4 rector on matters related to the activities carried out
5 by and through the special funding program;

6 (2)(A) review applications for grants, contracts,
7 cooperative agreements, and other transactions for
8 which the approval of the Council is required under
9 section 5(b); and

10 (B) vote on whether to recommend for approval
11 the applications;

12 (3) review and make recommendations on any
13 intellectual property policies required to advance the
14 purposes of the special funding program and to en-
15 courage individual ingenuity and innovation, and en-
16 sure that inventors, whose contributions to the devel-
17 opment of clean coal technology are not subject to
18 the protections afforded by section 14 of the Steven-
19 son-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15
20 U.S.C. 3710c), are provided protection of their intel-
21 lectual property rights that is not less than that af-
22 farded to inventors provided protection under section
23 14 of that Act;

24 (4) collect information on projects being carried
25 out by other programs to advance the development

1 and deployment of technologies for carbon capture,
2 sequestration, and conversion;

3 (5)(A) approve an annual overall plan for the
4 special funding program and projects to be carried
5 out under the special funding program; and

6 (B) submit to Congress, the Secretary, and
7 each State regulatory authority a copy of the plan;
8 and

9 (6) meet at least 3 times each year, at the call
10 of the Chair or on the request of the Program Direc-
11 tor, at a location subject to the approval of the Pro-
12 gram Director.

13 (g) PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND SENIOR PROGRAM
14 MANAGERS.—

15 (1) APPOINTMENT.—The Secretary, in con-
16 sultation with the Council, shall appoint a Program
17 Director for the special funding program, who
18 shall—

19 (A) have a background and qualifications
20 especially appropriate to managing the special
21 funding program; and

22 (B) report directly to the Secretary.

23 (2) COMPENSATION.—The rate of pay for the
24 Program Director shall not exceed the rate payable

1 for level V of the Executive Schedule under section
2 5316 of title 5, United States Code.

3 (3) SENIOR PROGRAM MANAGERS.—

4 (A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sec-
5 tions 3304 and 3309 through 3318 of title 5,
6 United States Code, the Program Director may
7 recruit and directly appoint up to 5 highly
8 qualified scientists, engineers, or critical tech-
9 nical personnel into the competitive service, to
10 help manage the special funding program.

11 (B) EXCEPTION.—The authority granted
12 by subparagraph (A) shall not apply to posi-
13 tions in the excepted service or the Senior Exec-
14 utive Service.

15 (C) REQUIREMENTS.—In exercising the
16 authority granted by subparagraph (A), the
17 Secretary shall ensure that any action taken by
18 the Secretary—

19 (i) is consistent with the merit prin-
20 ciples of section 2301 of title 5, United
21 States Code; and

22 (ii) complies with the public notice re-
23 quirements of section 3327 of title 5,
24 United States Code.

25 (h) TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting
2 through the Program Director, and in consultation
3 with the Council, shall appoint a technical advisory
4 committee to provide independent scientific review of
5 applications for grants, contracts, cooperative agree-
6 ments, and other transactions to be funded under
7 the special funding program.

8 (2) MEMBERSHIP.—The technical advisory
9 committee shall be composed of not less than 7
10 members appointed from among—

11 (A) institutions of higher education;

12 (B) National Laboratories;

13 (C) independent research institutions;

14 (D) the National Energy Technology Lab-
15 oratory; and

16 (E) other qualified institutions;

17 (3) CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.—Members of the
18 technical advisory committee may not be affiliated
19 with, or employed by, any organization represented
20 by voting members of the Council.

21 (4) DUTIES.—

22 (A) PEER REVIEW.—The technical advi-
23 sory committee shall provide independent as-
24 sessments and technical evaluations, and make
25 recommendations to the Council, on all applica-

1 tions for funding under the special funding pro-
2 gram.

3 (B) PROGRAMMATIC ASSESSMENTS.—

4 (i) IN GENERAL.—The technical advi-
5 sory committee may provide an inde-
6 pendent review of other technical matters
7 relating to the special funding program, in-
8 cluding—

9 (I) approaches to prioritizing
10 technologies;

11 (II) appropriateness of engineer-
12 ing techniques;

13 (III) monitoring and verification
14 technologies for sequestration;

15 (IV) geological site selection; and

16 (V) cost control measures for
17 projects.

18 (ii) RECOMMENDATIONS.—The tech-
19 nical advisory committee may make rec-
20 ommendations to the Secretary concerning
21 the types of investments, scientific re-
22 search, or engineering practices that would
23 best further the purposes of this subtitle.

24 (C) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Except for in-
25 formation exempt from disclosure under para-

1 graphs (4) and (6) of section 552(b) of title 5,
2 United States Code, all reports and evaluations
3 made by the technical advisory committee shall
4 be made available to the public when the re-
5 ports and evaluations are received by the Coun-
6 cil.

7 (5) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—A member of the
8 technical advisory committee shall be allowed travel
9 expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence,
10 at rates authorized for an employee of an agency
11 under subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, United
12 States Code, while away from the home or regular
13 place of business of the member in the performance
14 of the duties of the committee.

15 **SEC. 205. FUNCTIONS AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE SPE-**
16 **CIAL FUNDING PROGRAM.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—The special funding program shall
18 support projects to accelerate the commercial availability
19 of carbon capture and sequestration technologies and
20 methods, including technologies that capture and seques-
21 ter, or capture and convert, carbon dioxide. In making
22 awards under the program, the Program Director shall
23 give priority to projects that include cost sharing, although
24 cost sharing is not mandatory.

1 (b) PROJECT APPROVAL.—The Program Director
2 shall make awards for grants, contracts, cooperative
3 agreements, and other transactions under this subtitle
4 only if the award is—

5 (1) recommended to the Council by the tech-
6 nical advisory committee established under section
7 204(h), after scientific and technical peer review;

8 (2) approved by the voting members of the
9 Council;

10 (3) for a project to be carried out in the United
11 States; and

12 (4) prioritized in regions of the country with a
13 high probability of carbon capture and sequestration
14 development and deployment potential.

15 (c) SPECIFIC PURPOSES.—In making awards, the
16 Program Director shall ensure, to the maximum extent
17 practicable, that grants, contracts, cooperative agree-
18 ments, and other transactions funded under the special
19 funding program support demonstrations of carbon cap-
20 ture and sequestration technology projects that—

21 (1) are capable of advancing the technologies to
22 commercial readiness;

23 (2) encompass each of the different coal types
24 and other fossil fuel varieties;

25 (3) are geographically diverse;

1 (4) involve diverse sequestration media;

2 (5) employ capture and sequestration, or cap-
3 ture and conversion, technologies potentially suitable
4 for new or retrofit applications; and

5 (6) result in a capture of emissions from the
6 generation of at least 10 gigawatts.

7 (d) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—Entities eligible for fund-
8 ing under this subtitle include—

9 (1) electric utilities selling fossil fuel-based elec-
10 tricity;

11 (2) institutions of higher education;

12 (3) National Laboratories;

13 (4) Federal research agencies;

14 (5) State research agencies;

15 (6) nonprofit organizations; and

16 (7) consortiums of 2 or more entities described
17 in paragraphs (1) through (6).

18 (e) PURCHASE OF CARBON DIOXIDE.—A grant, con-
19 tract, cooperative agreement, or other transaction under
20 this subtitle may be used—

21 (1) in the case of established projects that are
22 sequestering carbon dioxide emissions, to purchase
23 carbon dioxide if necessary to conduct tests of car-
24 bon sequestration sites; or

1 (2) for other purposes consistent with this sub-
2 title.

3 (f) ORGANIZATION OF FUNDING INTO TRANCHES.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Program Director, with
5 the approval of the Council and the Secretary, may
6 divide available funds into a series of tranches, each
7 supporting the deployment of a specified quantity of
8 electric generating capacity using carbon capture, se-
9 questration, or conversion technologies.

10 (2) FORM OF FUNDING.—If the Program Direc-
11 tor, the Council, and the Secretary agree to dis-
12 tribute funds by tranche under this subsection, the
13 Program Director shall distribute funds to eligible
14 projects through grants, contracts, cooperative
15 agreements, and other transactions under this sub-
16 title in a manner that—

17 (A) provides higher funding for projects
18 that are designed to achieve higher levels of
19 capture and sequestration or capture and con-
20 version;

21 (B) takes into account the projected cost
22 of electricity to capture carbon dioxide emis-
23 sions from the project;

24 (C) decreases the funding available for
25 projects in successive tranches; and

1 (D) defrays the reasonable incremental
2 capital and operating costs associated with im-
3 plementation of the carbon capture and seques-
4 tration or carbon capture and conversion tech-
5 nologies.

6 (g) WAGE RATE ASSURANCES.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Program Director shall
8 require recipients of awards under this subtitle to
9 provide assurances that all laborers and mechanics
10 employed by contractors and subcontractors in the
11 construction, repair, or alteration of new or existing
12 facilities performed in order to carry out a develop-
13 ment or deployment activity authorized under this
14 subtitle shall be paid wages at rates not less than
15 those prevailing on similar construction in the local-
16 ity, as determined by the Secretary of Labor in ac-
17 cordance with subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title
18 40, United States Code.

19 (2) AUTHORITY AND FUNCTIONS.—With re-
20 spect to the labor standards in this subsection, the
21 Secretary of Labor shall have the authority and
22 functions set forth in Reorganization Plan Num-
23 bered 14 of 1950 (15 Fed. Reg. 3176; 5 U.S.C. Ap-
24 pendix) and section 3145 of title 40, United States
25 Code.

1 (h) RELATION TO EXISTING AUTHORITIES.—
2 Projects funded under this subtitle to inject carbon dioxide
3 into geological formations shall be carried out in accord-
4 ance with this subtitle and section 963 of the Energy Pol-
5 icy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16293) and related provisions
6 of that Act.

7 (i) RESTRICTIONS ON FUNDING.—

8 (1) NO SMALL-SCALE PROJECTS.—A pilot-scale
9 project, or similar small-scale project, under 100
10 megawatts, shall not be eligible for support under
11 the special funding program.

12 (2) DEDICATION OF FUNDS.—Except as pro-
13 vided in subsection (j), the special funding program
14 shall use all funds derived from assessments under
15 section 6 to fund grants, contracts, cooperative
16 agreements, and other transactions under this sub-
17 title.

18 (j) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—Not more than 5
19 percent of the funds collected for any fiscal year under
20 section 6 may be used for the administrative expenses of
21 carrying out the special funding program.

22 **SEC. 206. ASSESSMENTS AND FUNDING.**

23 (a) AMOUNT.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—For each fiscal year fol-
25 lowing the establishment of the special funding pro-

1 gram, the Secretary shall collect an assessment on
 2 electric utilities for all fossil fuel-based electricity
 3 sold to electric consumers, as determined under sec-
 4 tion 208.

5 (2) FUEL TYPE RATE.—The assessments de-
 6 scribed in paragraph (1) shall—

7 (A) reflect the relative carbon dioxide emis-
 8 sion rates of different fossil fuel-based elec-
 9 tricity; and

10 (B) initially shall be not less than the fol-
 11 lowing amounts for coal, natural gas, and oil:

Fuel type rate of assessment per kilowatt hour	
Coal	\$0.00091
Natural Gas	\$0.00046
Oil	\$0.00068.

12 (3) ADJUSTMENTS.—The Secretary may adjust
 13 the amount of assessments on fossil fuel-based elec-
 14 tricity to reflect changes in the expected quantities
 15 of the electricity from different fuel types so that the
 16 assessments generate not less than \$2,000,000,000
 17 and not more than \$2,100,000,000 for each fiscal
 18 year.

19 (b) TREATMENT OF ASSESSMENTS.—

20 (1) GENERAL RULE.—Notwithstanding section
 21 3302 of title 31, United States Code, all amounts
 22 collected by the Secretary under this section shall—

1 (A) be credited as offsetting collections to
2 carry out activities authorized under section
3 205;

4 (B) be available for expenditure only to
5 pay the costs of carrying out the activities au-
6 thorized under section 205;

7 (C) be available only to the extent provided
8 for in advance in an appropriations Act; and

9 (D) remain available until expended.

10 (2) EXCEPTION.—Notwithstanding paragraph
11 (1), the Secretary shall determine by April 1 of each
12 fiscal year whether an appropriations Act has appro-
13 priated the total amount of actual fees collected in
14 advance of that fiscal year by the Secretary under
15 this section. If the amounts specified under this
16 paragraph for that fiscal year have not been appro-
17 priated by such date for expenditure to carry out ac-
18 tivities under section 205, then such amounts shall
19 be immediately available for such expenditure by the
20 Board without fiscal year limitations and without
21 further appropriations.

22 (c) FEE TITLE.—The Secretary may vest fee title or
23 other property interests acquired under projects conducted
24 under this subtitle in any entity, including the United
25 States.

1 (d) DATA PROTECTION.—For a period not exceeding
2 5 years after completion of the operations phase of a
3 grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or other trans-
4 action under this subtitle the Secretary may provide ap-
5 propriate protections (including exemptions from sub-
6 chapter II of chapter 5 of title 5, United States Code)
7 against the dissemination of information that—

8 (1) results from demonstration activities carried
9 out under this subtitle; and

10 (2) would be a trade secret or commercial or fi-
11 nancial information that is privileged or confidential
12 if the information had been obtained from and first
13 produced by a non-Federal party participating in the
14 project.

15 (e) REVERSION OF UNUSED FUNDS.—Effective be-
16 ginning on the date that is 7 years after the establishment
17 of the special funding program, if the Secretary, acting
18 through the Program Director, does not obligate at least
19 75 percent of the available proceeds of the assessed fees
20 for any fiscal year due to an absence of qualified projects
21 or similar circumstances, the Secretary, without further
22 appropriation, shall reimburse the remaining unobligated
23 balance of the fees, less administrative and other expenses
24 authorized by this subtitle, to the electric utilities on which

1 the fees were assessed, in proportion to the collected as-
2 sessments of the electric utilities.

3 **SEC. 207. ERCOT.**

4 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) ERCOT.—The term “ERCOT” means the
6 Electric Reliability Council of Texas.

7 (2) LOAD-SERVING ENTITY.—The term “load-
8 serving entity” has the meaning given the term in
9 ERCOT Protocols in effect on the date of enactment
10 of this Act.

11 (3) QUALIFIED SCHEDULING ENTITY.—The
12 term “qualified scheduling entity” has the meaning
13 given the term in ERCOT Protocols in effect on the
14 date of enactment of this Act.

15 (4) RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDIT.—The term
16 “renewable energy credit” has the meaning given the
17 term by the Public Utility Commission of Texas pur-
18 suant to section 39.904(b) of the State of Texas’s
19 Public Utility Regulatory Act of 1999 as in effect on
20 the date of enactment of this Act.

21 (b) ASSESSMENT, COLLECTION, AND REMIT-
22 TANCE.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
24 provision of this subtitle, within ERCOT, the assess-
25 ment required under section 206 shall be—

1 (A) levied directly on qualified scheduling
2 entities, or successor entities of the qualified
3 scheduling entities;

4 (B) charged in an amount that is con-
5 sistent with other charges imposed on qualified
6 scheduling entities as a fee on energy used by
7 the load-serving entities; and

8 (C) collected and remitted by ERCOT to
9 the Secretary in the amounts and in the same
10 manner as described in section 205.

11 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—The assessment amounts
12 referred to in paragraph (1) shall—

13 (A) be determined by the quantity and
14 types of fossil fuel-based electricity delivered di-
15 rectly to all electric consumers in the prior cal-
16 endar year beginning with the year ending im-
17 mediately prior to the beginning of the period
18 described in section 203(c); and

19 (B) take into account the number of re-
20 newable energy credits retired by the load-serv-
21 ing entities represented by a qualified sched-
22 uling entity within the prior calendar year.

23 (c) ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES.—Not more than 1
24 percent of the funds collected for any fiscal year by
25 ERCOT under this section may be used for the adminis-

1 trative expenses incurred in the determination, collection,
2 and remittance of the assessments to the Secretary.

3 (d) AUDIT.—ERCOT shall submit to the Secretary
4 a copy of the annual audit of ERCOT relating to the ad-
5 ministration of this section.

6 **SEC. 208. DETERMINATION OF FOSSIL FUEL-BASED ELEC-**
7 **TRICITY DELIVERIES.**

8 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

9 (1) the assessments under section 206 are to be
10 collected based on the quantity of fossil fuel-based
11 electricity sold by each electric utility to electric con-
12 sumers;

13 (2) because many electric utilities purchase all
14 or part of the electricity needed by the electric con-
15 sumers of the utilities from other entities, it may not
16 be practicable to determine the precise fuel mix for
17 the power sold by each individual electric utility; and

18 (3) it may be necessary to use average data,
19 often on a regional basis with reference to Regional
20 Transmission Organization or North American Elec-
21 tric Reliability Corporation regions, to make the de-
22 terminations necessary for making the assessments.

23 (b) PROPOSED REGULATION.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consulta-
25 tion with the Energy Information Administration,

1 shall issue for notice and comment a proposed regu-
2 lation to determine the level and type of fossil fuel-
3 based electricity delivered to electric consumers by
4 each electric utility in the United States during the
5 most recent calendar year or other period deter-
6 mined by the Secretary to be most appropriate.

7 (2) BALANCING.—The proposed regulation shall
8 balance the need to be efficient, reasonably precise
9 and timely, taking into account the nature and cost
10 of data currently available and the nature of mar-
11 kets and regulations in effect in various regions of
12 the United States.

13 (3) VARYING METHODOLOGIES.—The Secretary
14 may apply different methodologies in different re-
15 gions of the United States if appropriate to obtain
16 the best balance of factors described in paragraph
17 (2).

18 (c) FINAL REGULATION.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
20 after the date of enactment of this Act, and after
21 opportunity for comment, the Secretary shall pro-
22 mulgate a final regulation under this section for de-
23 termining the level and type of fossil fuel-based elec-
24 tricity delivered to electric consumers by each elec-

1 tric utility in the United States during the appro-
2 priate period, as determined by the Secretary.

3 (2) NEW DATA SOURCES.—In promulgating the
4 final regulation, the Secretary may—

5 (A) consider opportunities and costs to de-
6 velop new data sources in the future; and

7 (B) issue recommendations for the Energy
8 Information Administration or other agencies to
9 collect the data.

10 (3) UPDATES.—After notice and opportunity
11 for comment, the Secretary may, by regulation, up-
12 date and modify the methodology for making deter-
13 minations under this section.

14 (d) ANNUAL DETERMINATIONS.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with the final
16 regulation promulgated under subsection (c), the
17 Secretary shall—

18 (A) make annual determinations of the
19 quantities and types for each electric utility;
20 and

21 (B) publish the determinations in the Fed-
22 eral Register.

23 (2) USE.—Determinations described in para-
24 graph (1) shall be used—

1 (A) to conduct the referendum under sec-
2 tion 203(a); and

3 (B) by the Secretary in applying any as-
4 sessment under this subtitle.

5 (e) REHEARING AND JUDICIAL REVIEW.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The owner or operator of
7 any electric utility that believes that the Secretary
8 has misapplied the methodology in the final regula-
9 tion in determining the quantity and types of fossil
10 fuel-based electricity delivered by the electric utility
11 may seek a rehearing of the determination not later
12 than 30 days after publication of the determination
13 in the Federal Register.

14 (2) DEADLINE.—Not later than 30 days after
15 a rehearing petition is formally requested, the Sec-
16 retary shall rule on the rehearing petition.

17 (3) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—A determination of the
18 Secretary under paragraph (2) shall be final and
19 subject to judicial review in the United States Court
20 of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

21 **SEC. 209. COMPLIANCE WITH ASSESSMENTS.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may bring an ac-
23 tion in the appropriate court of the United States to com-
24 pel compliance with an assessment levied by the Secretary
25 under this subtitle.

1 (b) PAYMENT.—A successful action for compliance
2 under this section may require payment by the defendant
3 of the costs incurred by the Secretary in bringing the ac-
4 tion.

5 **SEC. 210. MIDCOURSE REVIEW.**

6 Not later than 5 years after the establishment of the
7 special funding program, the Comptroller General of the
8 United States shall submit to Congress a report that—

9 (1) evaluates the activities of the special fund-
10 ing program, including—

11 (A) project selection and methods of dis-
12 bursement of assessed fees;

13 (B) impacts on the prospects for commer-
14 cialization of carbon capture and sequestration
15 technologies; and

16 (C) the extent to which assessed fees sup-
17 port the qualified projects received by the Sec-
18 retary; and

19 (2) makes such recommendations as the Comp-
20 troller General of the United States considers to be
21 appropriate in each of those areas.

22 **SEC. 211. RECOVERY OF COSTS.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—An electric utility, the trans-
24 mission, delivery, or sales of electric energy of which are
25 subject to any form of rate regulation, may not be denied

1 an opportunity to recover the full amount of the prudently
2 incurred costs associated with complying with this subtitle,
3 consistent with applicable State or Federal law.

4 (b) RATEPAYER REBATES.—Regulatory authorities
5 that approve cost recovery pursuant to subsection (a) may
6 order rebates to ratepayers to the extent that electric utili-
7 ties selling fossil fuel-based electricity to electric con-
8 sumers are reimbursed undedicated or unassigned bal-
9 ances in accordance with section 206(c).

10 **SUBTITLE B—SEQUESTRATION**
11 **TAX CREDIT; CAPACITY IN-**
12 **CENTIVES**

13 **SEC. 251. CARBON SEQUESTRATION TAX CREDIT AMEND-**
14 **MENTS.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 45Q of the Internal Rev-
16 enue Code of 1986 is amended—

17 (1) by inserting “or converted to a stable form
18 in which it is securely and permanently sequestered”
19 after “secure geological storage” in subparagraph
20 (B) of section 45Q(a)(1);

21 (2) by striking subsection (a)(2) and inserting
22 the following:

23 “(2) \$10 per metric ton of qualified carbon di-
24 oxide which is captured at a qualified facility and

1 used as a tertiary injectant in a qualified enhanced
2 oil or natural gas recovery project, and

3 “(A) disposed of in secure geologic storage,

4 or

5 “(B) converted to a stable form to enable
6 permanent sequestration, including the bene-
7 ficial use of such converted carbon dioxide.”;

8 (3) by striking the words “by the taxpayer”
9 each place they appear in subsection (a);

10 (4) by striking “would otherwise” in subsection
11 (b)(1)(A) and inserting “would, but for the capture
12 and use or sequestration,”;

13 (5) by striking paragraph (1) of subsection (c)
14 and redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as para-
15 graphs (1) and (2), respectively;

16 (6) by striking paragraph (5) of subsection (d)
17 and inserting the following:

18 “(5) CREDIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO TAXPAYER.—
19 Any credit under this section shall be attributable to
20 the person that captures the qualified carbon diox-
21 ide, except to the extent provided in regulations pre-
22 scribed by the Secretary.”;

23 (7) by adding at the end of subsection (d) the
24 following:

1 “(8) PLACED IN SERVICE.—Carbon capture
2 equipment is placed in service on the date qualified
3 carbon dioxide is first captured at a qualified facility
4 and either—

5 “(A) injected in secure geologic storage or
6 converted to a stable form, or

7 “(B) used as an injectant in a qualified en-
8 hanced hydrocarbon recovery project or con-
9 verted to a stable form.

10 “(9) TRANSFERABILITY OF CREDIT.—The cred-
11 it under this section may be transferred to any other
12 person by the person to which the credit is attrib-
13 utable.”;

14 (8) by striking subsection (e) and inserting the
15 following:

16 “(e) APPLICATION OF SECTION.—The credit under
17 this section shall apply with respect to qualified carbon
18 dioxide captured at a qualified facility at which carbon
19 capture equipment is placed in service prior to January
20 1, 2019. The taxpayer may claim the credit for a 10-year
21 period commencing with the date the carbon capture
22 equipment is placed in service.”; and

23 (9) by inserting “or conversion to a stable
24 form” after “geological storage” in subsection
25 (d)(2).

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 subsection (a) shall apply to carbon dioxide captured after
3 the date of enactment of this Act.

4 **SEC. 252. FEDERAL FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR ADDI-**
5 **TIONAL 10 GW OF CAPACITY.**

6 (a) ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION.—Section 1704 of
7 the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16514) is
8 amended—

9 (1) by adding the following at the end of sub-
10 section (a): “In addition to other amounts made
11 available under this section, there are authorized
12 \$20,000,000,000 to be used only for guarantees
13 under this title for—

14 “(1) the construction of new commercial scale
15 electric generation units, or industrial facility units,
16 that are eligible units utilizing carbon capture and
17 sequestration technology;

18 “(2) the retrofit of existing commercial scale
19 electric generation units, or industrial facility units,
20 that are eligible units providing for carbon capture
21 and sequestration; and

22 “(3) the construction of carbon dioxide trans-
23 mission pipelines to transport carbon dioxide to se-
24 questration sites or to sites where such carbon diox-
25 ide will be used for hydrocarbon recovery.”; and

1 (2) by adding at the end thereof the following:

2 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

3 “(1) COMMERCIAL SCALE.—The term ‘commer-
4 cial scale’ means, with respect to an electric genera-
5 tion unit, that the unit is designed to generate and
6 sell electric power directly to consumers, or for re-
7 sale, with a carbon dioxide capture system having a
8 useful life of at least 15 years.

9 “(2) PERMANENT GEOLOGIC STORAGE SITE.—
10 The term ‘permanent geologic storage site’ means a
11 site that the Secretary determines is capable of stor-
12 ing carbon dioxide in saline or other deep geologic
13 storage structures.

14 “(3) ELIGIBLE UNIT.—The term ‘eligible unit’
15 means an electric generation unit or industrial facil-
16 ity unit located in the United States that—

17 “(A) uses coal or petroleum coke for at
18 least 75 percent of the fuel used by the unit;

19 “(B) uses carbon capture technology to
20 treat at least—

21 “(i) 20 percent of the carbon dioxide
22 emissions of the unit; or

23 “(ii) an amount of carbon dioxide
24 emissions that is attributable to 200

1 megawatts of the total nameplate gener-
2 ating capacity of the unit;

3 “(C) captures at least 80 percent of the
4 carbon dioxide emissions from the treated emis-
5 sions of the unit;

6 “(D) transports such captured carbon di-
7 oxide to a permanent geologic storage site in
8 the United States or to a site on the North
9 American continent for use for hydrocarbon re-
10 covery;

11 “(E) provides for the permanent storage of
12 such carbon dioxide in such site; and

13 “(F) has been approved by the Secretary
14 as eligible under this subsection.

15 “(d) ELIGIBLE UNITS.—

16 “(1) CERTIFICATION.—No unit shall be an eli-
17 gible unit under subsection (c) unless the Secretary
18 has certified such unit as meeting the requirements
19 of such subsection (c) pursuant to a certification
20 process established by the Secretary by rule.

21 “(2) LIMITATION.—The Secretary may certify
22 eligible units under this subsection which total in the
23 aggregate no more than 10 gigawatts of treated gen-
24 erating capacity, of which not more than the equiva-
25 lent of 5 gigawatts of capacity may be for industrial

1 units. For purposes of determining equivalency
2 under this subsection, an industrial unit with uncon-
3 trolled carbon dioxide emissions equal to the uncon-
4 trolled carbon dioxide emissions of a 500 megawatt
5 electric generation unit shall be treated as having in-
6 stalled capacity equivalent to such 500 megawatt
7 unit.”.

8 (b) TAX CREDITS.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subpart E of part IV of
10 subchapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue
11 Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end
12 thereof the following:

13 **“SEC. 48E. PIONEER CCS FACILITIES.**

14 “(a) ADDITIONAL QUALIFYING ADVANCED COAL
15 PROJECT CREDIT.—For purposes of section 46, the quali-
16 fying advanced coal project credit for any taxable year
17 shall also include an additional amount equal to 30 per-
18 cent of the incremental cost for carbon capture and se-
19 questration systems for eligible units, determined as fol-
20 lows:

21 “(1) For an eligible unit that is a new electric
22 generation unit, the incremental costs shall be the
23 amount by which the costs incurred by the taxpayer
24 for the unit exceed the costs of construction of a
25 comparable supercritical pulverized coal unit without

1 carbon capture and sequestration technology. To es-
2 tablish incremental costs, the taxpayer shall obtain
3 a certified report of a qualified independent engineer
4 estimating the differential construction cost between
5 the eligible unit and a comparably-sized supercritical
6 pulverized coal unit without carbon capture and se-
7 questration. The independent engineer shall utilize
8 cost estimates for supercritical pulverized coal units
9 available from Federal agencies, academia and/or the
10 private sector, appropriately adjusted for size, fuel
11 source and location. An engineering design of a hy-
12 pothetical supercritical pulverized coal unit shall not
13 be required to establish the incremental costs.

14 “(2) For an eligible unit that is a new indus-
15 trial unit, the incremental costs shall be the amount
16 by which the costs incurred by the taxpayer for the
17 unit exceed the costs of construction of a comparable
18 industrial unit without carbon capture and seques-
19 tration.

20 “(3) For an eligible unit that retrofits a carbon
21 capture, transportation, and sequestration system on
22 an existing generation or industrial unit, the incre-
23 mental cost shall be the construction costs incurred
24 by the taxpayer for the carbon capture and seques-
25 tration system.

1 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section, the
2 term ‘eligible unit’ means an electric generation unit or
3 industrial facility unit located in the United States that—

4 “(A) uses coal or petroleum coke for at least 75
5 percent of the fuel used by the unit;

6 “(B) uses carbon capture technology to treat at
7 least—

8 “(i) 20 percent of the carbon dioxide emis-
9 sions of the unit; or

10 “(ii) an amount of carbon dioxide emis-
11 sions that is attributable to 200 megawatts of
12 the total nameplate generating capacity of the
13 unit;

14 “(C) captures at least 80 percent of the carbon
15 dioxide emissions from the treated emissions of the
16 unit;

17 “(D) transports such captured carbon dioxide
18 to a permanent geologic storage site in the United
19 States or to a site on the North American continent
20 for use for hydrocarbon recovery; and

21 “(E) provides for the permanent storage of
22 such carbon dioxide in such site.

23 “(c) ELECTION.—No costs for which a credit has
24 been provided under section 48A or section 48B shall be
25 eligible for a credit under this section.”.

1 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of con-
 2 tents for such subpart E is amended by adding at
 3 the end thereof the following:

“48E. Pioneer CCS facilities.”.

4 (3) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made
 5 by this subsection shall apply with respect to—

6 (A) new facilities placed in service after
 7 December 31, 2010, and before January 1,
 8 2025; and

9 (B) the retrofit of existing facilities that
 10 commence operation with such retrofit after De-
 11 cember 31, 2010, and before January 1, 2025.

12 **TITLE III—62 GW EARLY ADOPT-**
 13 **ER PROGRAM; SEQUESTRA-**
 14 **TION BONDS**

15 **SEC. 301. TAX CREDIT FOR EARLY ADOPTION OF CCS.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart D of part IV of sub-
 17 chapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of
 18 1986 is amended by adding at the end thereof the fol-
 19 lowing:

20 **“SEC. 45S. CREDIT FOR EARLY ADOPTION OF CCS.**

21 “(a) EARLY ADOPTION CREDIT.—For purposes of
 22 section 38, the carbon dioxide sequestration credit for any
 23 taxable year shall be the amount set forth in subsection
 24 (b), in the case of certified new or retrofit electric utility
 25 units or certified new or retrofit industrial units in pro-

1 viding for carbon capture and sequestration in secure geo-
2 logic storage, adjusted as provided in subsection (c).

3 “(b) DETERMINATION OF AMOUNT.—

4 “(1) 65 PERCENT CAPTURE RATE.—Except as
5 provided in paragraph (2) and adjusted in sub-
6 section (c), the amount of the credit under sub-
7 section (a) shall be \$67 per ton of carbon dioxide
8 captured and sequestered in the case of a certified
9 new or retrofit electric utility unit or a certified new
10 or retrofit industrial unit that—

11 “(A) is placed in service before January 1,
12 2025, and

13 “(B) captures and sequesters at least 65
14 percent of the carbon dioxide emissions in the
15 treated portion of the flue gas or fuel gas
16 stream.

17 “(2) HIGHER CAPTURE RATE.—The amount of
18 credit provided under paragraph (1) shall be in-
19 creased by \$1.15 per ton for each percent of addi-
20 tional carbon dioxide emissions captured and seques-
21 tered above such 65 percent capture rate, up to a
22 maximum credit of \$96 per ton for a capture and
23 sequestration rate of 90 percent or more.

24 “(c) ADJUSTMENT FOR LATER COMMENCEMENT.—

25 The amount of the credit determined under subsection (b)

1 shall be reduced by \$1 per ton of carbon dioxide for each
2 year after the calendar year 2024 in which the carbon cap-
3 ture and sequestration equipment is placed in service.

4 “(d) PLACED IN SERVICE.—For purposes of this sec-
5 tion, the term ‘placed in service’ with respect to a certified
6 new or retrofit electric utility unit or a certified new or
7 retrofit industrial unit is the date on which such unit first
8 captures and sequesters carbon dioxide in secure geologic
9 storage.

10 “(e) CERTIFICATION OF 62 GW.—No credit shall be
11 allowed under this section unless the electric utility unit
12 or industrial unit with respect to which a credit is applied
13 has been certified by the Secretary. Upon application of
14 any taxpayer for certification under this section, the Sec-
15 retary shall certify the unit in accordance with the certifi-
16 cation program under subsection (g).

17 “(f) LIMITATION.—The Secretary shall certify eligi-
18 ble new or retrofit units under this subsection which total
19 in the aggregate no more than 62 gigawatts of treated
20 generating capacity, of which not more than 10 percent
21 of this capacity may be for industrial units. For purposes
22 of determining gigawatt equivalency under this subsection,
23 6 million metric tonnes per year of captured and seques-
24 tered carbon dioxide emissions from industrial units shall

1 be treated as having the capacity equivalent of 1 gigawatt
2 of treated generating capacity.

3 “(g) CERTIFICATION PROGRAM.—

4 “(1) The Secretary shall establish a program
5 for the certification of new or retrofit electric units
6 and new or retrofit industrial units utilizing carbon
7 capture and sequestration technology eligible to
8 apply for a credit under this section. A facility shall
9 be certified only if the owner or operator of the
10 unit—

11 “(A) specifies the capacity of the unit sub-
12 ject to carbon capture and sequestration, and

13 “(B) commits to place the unit, or equip-
14 ment in the case of a retrofit, in service within
15 7 years after the date of the certification and
16 to comply with such interim development mile-
17 stones (including the issuance of all necessary
18 Federal, State, and local permits) as the Sec-
19 retary shall, by rule, prescribe.

20 “(2) Failure to comply with the 7-year date set
21 forth in this subsection or with any significant mile-
22 stone or other requirement established by the Sec-
23 retary under paragraph (1) shall result in the termi-
24 nation of the certification. The 7-year date shall be
25 extended by the period of any delay caused by chal-

1 lenges or litigation related to permits required for
2 the facility. No unit for which a certification has
3 been terminated shall be eligible for a new certifi-
4 cation under this section.

5 “(h) APPLICATION OF SECTION.—The credit under
6 this section shall apply to carbon dioxide captured and se-
7 questered in secure geologic storage from a certified new
8 or retrofit electric utility unit or from a certified new or
9 retrofit industrial unit. The taxpayer may claim the credit
10 for a 10-year period commencing on the date the unit is
11 placed in service.

12 “(i) OTHER CREDITS.—Carbon dioxide from equip-
13 ment for which carbon dioxide storage credit has been al-
14 lowed under section 45Q or an investment credit has been
15 allowed under section 48E shall not be eligible for a credit
16 under this section.

17 “(j) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 “(1) RETROFIT.—The term ‘retrofit’ means the
19 application of carbon capture and sequestration
20 technology to an existing unit, provided that such
21 technology treats at least—

22 “(A) 20 percent of the carbon dioxide
23 emissions of the unit; or

24 “(B) an amount of carbon dioxide emis-
25 sions that is attributable to 200 megawatts of

1 the total nameplate generating capacity (or, in
2 the case of an industrial unit, an equivalent ca-
3 pacity).

4 (2) INDUSTRIAL UNIT.—The term ‘industrial
5 unit’ means a unit that—

6 “(A) is not a qualifying electric generating
7 unit;

8 “(B) uses coal or petroleum coke for at
9 least 75 percent of the fuel used by the unit;
10 and

11 “(C) absent carbon capture and sequestra-
12 tion, would emit greater than 500,000 tons per
13 year of carbon dioxide.

14 “(3) TREATED GENERATING CAPACITY.—The
15 term ‘treated generating capacity’ means the portion
16 of the total generating capacity of an electric gener-
17 ating unit (or, in the case of an industrial unit, an
18 equivalent capacity) for which the flue gas or fuel
19 gas is treated by carbon capture and sequestration
20 technology.”.

21 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
22 for subpart D of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1
23 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by add-
24 ing at the end thereof the following:

“45S. Credit for early adoption of CCS.”.

1 **SEC. 302. CARBON SEQUESTRATION BONDS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part IV of subchapter A of chap-
3 ter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended
4 by adding at the end the following new subpart:

5 **“Subpart K—Carbon Sequestration Bonds**

“Sec. 54BB. Carbon Sequestration bonds.

6 **“SEC. 54BB. CARBON SEQUESTRATION BONDS.**

7 “(a) IN GENERAL.—If a taxpayer holds a carbon se-
8 questration bond on one or more interest payment dates
9 of the bond during any taxable year, there shall be allowed
10 as a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter for
11 the taxable year an amount equal to the sum of the credits
12 determined under subsection (b) with respect to such
13 dates.

14 “(b) AMOUNT OF CREDIT.—The amount of the credit
15 determined under this subsection with respect to any in-
16 terest payment date for a carbon sequestration bond is
17 70 percent of the amount of interest payable by the issuer
18 with respect to such date.

19 “(c) LIMITATION BASED ON AMOUNT OF TAX.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The credit allowed under
21 subsection (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed
22 the excess of—

23 “(A) the sum of the regular tax liability
24 (as defined in section 26(b)) plus the tax im-
25 posed by section 55, over

1 “(B) the sum of the credits allowable
2 under this part (other than subpart C and this
3 subpart).

4 “(2) CARRYOVER OF UNUSED CREDIT.—If the
5 credit allowable under subsection (a) exceeds the
6 limitation imposed by paragraph (1) for such taxable
7 year, such excess shall be carried to the succeeding
8 taxable year and added to the credit allowable under
9 subsection (a) for such taxable year (determined be-
10 fore the application of paragraph (1) for such suc-
11 ceeding taxable year).

12 “(d) CARBON SEQUESTRATION BOND.—

13 “(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this sec-
14 tion, the term ‘carbon sequestration bond’ means
15 any obligation issued as part of an issue if—

16 “(A) 95 percent of the available project
17 proceeds (as defined in section 54A) of such
18 issue, in excess of the amounts in a reasonably
19 required reserve (within the meaning of section
20 150(a)(3)) for such issue, are to be used for
21 qualified carbon sequestration costs incurred by
22 public power providers or cooperative electric
23 companies,

24 “(B) the obligation is issued by a qualified
25 issuer, and

1 “(C) the issuer makes an irrevocable elec-
2 tion to have this section apply.

3 “(2) APPLICABLE RULES.—For purposes of ap-
4 plying paragraph (1)—

5 “(A) an issue shall not be treated as meet-
6 ing the requirements of paragraph (1) unless
7 the issue satisfies the requirements of section
8 148 with respect to the proceeds of the issue,

9 “(B) for purposes of applying section 148
10 to such an issue, the yield on a carbon seques-
11 tration bond shall be determined without regard
12 to the credit allowed under subsection (a),

13 “(C) an issue shall not be treated as meet-
14 ing the requirements of this paragraph unless
15 the issuer of the carbon sequestration bonds
16 submits reports similar to the reports required
17 under section 149(e), and

18 “(D) a bond shall not be treated as a car-
19 bon sequestration bond if the issue price has
20 more than a de minimis amount (determined
21 under rules similar to the rules of section
22 1273(a)(3)) of premium over the stated prin-
23 cipal amount of the bond.

24 “(e) LIMITATION ON AMOUNT OF BONDS DES-
25 IGNATED.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There is a national carbon
2 sequestration bond limitation of \$5,000,000,000.

3 “(2) ALLOCATION BY SECRETARY.—The Sec-
4 retary shall make allocations of the amount of the
5 national carbon sequestration bond limitation in
6 such manner as the Secretary determines appro-
7 priate.

8 “(f) INTEREST PAYMENT DATE.—For purposes of
9 this section, the term ‘interest payment date’ means any
10 date on which the holder of record of the carbon sequestra-
11 tion bond is entitled to a payment of interest under such
12 bond.

13 “(g) SPECIAL RULES.—

14 “(1) INTEREST ON CARBON SEQUESTRATION
15 BONDS INCLUDIBLE IN GROSS INCOME FOR FED-
16 ERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES.—For purposes of this
17 title, interest on any carbon sequestration bond shall
18 be includible in gross income.

19 “(2) APPLICATION OF CERTAIN RULES.—Rules
20 similar to the rules of subsections (f), (g), (h), and
21 (i) of section 54A shall apply for purposes of the
22 credit allowed under subsection (a).

23 “(h) SPECIAL RULE FOR QUALIFIED CARBON SE-
24 QUESTRATION BONDS.—In the case of a qualified carbon
25 sequestration bond—

1 “(1) ISSUER ALLOWED REFUNDABLE CRED-
2 IT.—In lieu of any credit allowed under this section
3 with respect to such bond, the issuer of such bond
4 shall be allowed a credit as provided in section 6432.

5 “(2) QUALIFIED CARBON SEQUESTRATION
6 BOND.—In this subsection, the term ‘qualified car-
7 bon sequestration bond’ means any carbon seques-
8 tration bond issued as part of an issue if the issuer
9 makes an irrevocable election to have this subsection
10 apply.

11 “(i) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12 “(1) QUALIFIED CARBON SEQUESTRATION
13 COSTS.—The term ‘qualified carbon sequestration
14 costs’ means the incremental costs for carbon cap-
15 ture and sequestration systems as described in sec-
16 tion 48E (without regard to any placed in service
17 date), which systems are owned by a public power
18 provider or a cooperative electric company.

19 “(2) PUBLIC POWER PROVIDER.—The term
20 ‘public power provider’ means a State utility with a
21 service obligation, as such terms are defined in sec-
22 tion 217 of the Federal Power Act (as in effect on
23 the date of the enactment of the Carbon Capture
24 and Sequestration Deployment Act of 2010).

1 “(b) PAYMENT OF CREDIT.—The Secretary shall pay
2 (contemporaneously with each interest payment date
3 under such bond) to the issuer of such bond (or to any
4 person who makes such interest payments on behalf of the
5 issuer) 65 percent of the interest payable under such bond
6 on such date.

7 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

8 “(1) INTEREST PAYMENT DATE.—The term ‘in-
9 terest payment date’ means each date on which in-
10 terest is payable by the issuer under the terms of
11 the bond.

12 “(2) QUALIFIED CARBON SEQUESTRATION
13 BOND.—The term ‘qualified carbon sequestration
14 bond’ has the meaning given such term in section
15 54BB(h)(2).

16 “(d) APPLICATION OF ARBITRAGE RULES.—For pur-
17 poses of section 148, the yield on a qualified bond shall
18 be reduced by the credit allowed under this section.”.

19 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

20 (1) Section 1324(b)(2) of title 31, United
21 States Code, is amended by striking “or 6431” and
22 inserting “6431, or 6432,”.

23 (2) Section 54A(e)(1)(B) of the Internal Rev-
24 enue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “subparts
25 C and J” and inserting “subparts C, J, and K”.

1 (3) Sections 54(c)(2), 1397E(c)(2), and
2 1400N(l)(3)(B) of such Code are each amended by
3 striking “and J” and inserting “J, and K”.

4 (4) Section 6211(b)(4)(A) of such Code is
5 amended by striking “and 6431” and inserting
6 “6431, and 6432”.

7 (5) Section 6401(b)(1) of such Code is amend-
8 ed by striking “and J” and inserting “J, and K”.

9 (6) The table of subparts for part IV of sub-
10 chapter A of chapter 1 of such Code is amended by
11 adding at the end the following new item:

 “SUBPART K. CARBON SEQUESTRATION BONDS.”.

12 (7) The table of sections for subchapter B of
13 chapter 65 of such Code is amended by adding at
14 the end the following new item:

 “Sec. 6432. Credit for qualified carbon sequestration bonds allowed to issuer.”.

15 (d) TRANSITIONAL COORDINATION WITH STATE
16 LAW.—Except as otherwise provided by a State after the
17 date of the enactment of this Act, the interest on any car-
18 bon sequestration bond (as defined in section 54BB of the
19 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as added by this section)
20 and the amount of any credit determined under such sec-
21 tion with respect to such bond shall be treated for pur-
22 poses of the income tax laws of such State as being exempt
23 from Federal income tax.

1 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 2 this section shall apply to obligations issued after the date
 3 of the enactment of this Act.

4 **TITLE IV—CCS TECHNOLOGY**
 5 **STANDARD FOR POWERPLANTS**

6 **SEC. 401. CCS STANDARDS FOR COAL-FUELED POWER**
 7 **PLANTS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title I of the Clean Air Act (42
 9 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section
 10 111 the following:

11 **“SEC. 111A. CCS STANDARDS FOR NEW COAL-FIRED POWER**
 12 **PLANTS.**

13 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

14 “(1) COVERED UNITS.—The term ‘covered unit’
 15 means an electric utility generating unit that derives
 16 50 percent of its annual heat input from coal, petro-
 17 leum coke, or any combination of these fuels.

18 “(2) INITIALLY PERMITTED.—The term ‘ini-
 19 tially permitted’ means, with respect to an electric
 20 utility generating unit, that the owner or operator of
 21 a unit has received a preconstruction approval or
 22 permit under this Act, for the covered unit as a new
 23 (not a modified) source, but administrative review or
 24 appeal of such approval or permit has not been ex-
 25 hausted. A subsequent modification of any such ap-

1 proval or permit, ongoing administrative or court re-
2 view, appeals, or challenges, or the existence or toll-
3 ing of any time to pursue further review, appeals, or
4 challenges shall not affect the date on which a unit
5 is considered to be initially permitted.

6 “(3) TREATED GENERATING CAPACITY.—The
7 term ‘treated generating capacity’ means the portion
8 of the total generating capacity of an electric gener-
9 ating unit (or, in the case of an industrial unit, an
10 equivalent capacity) for which the flue gas or fuel
11 gas is treated by carbon capture and sequestration
12 technology.”.

13 “(b) STANDARDS.—

14 “(1) EMISSION LIMIT.—A covered unit that is
15 initially permitted on or after the date of the enact-
16 ment of the Carbon Capture and Sequestration De-
17 ployment Act of 2010 and before January 1, 2020,
18 shall achieve, by the compliance date set forth in
19 paragraph (2), an emission limit for carbon dioxide
20 that reflects 50 percent reduction from the carbon
21 content of the fuel used by the unit, as measured on
22 an annual basis.

23 “(2) COMPLIANCE.—Compliance with the re-
24 quirement set forth in paragraph (1) shall be re-
25 quired by the earlier of the following:

1 “(A) Four years after the date the Admin-
2 istrator has published a report that there are in
3 commercial operation in the United States elec-
4 tric generating units or other stationary sources
5 equipped with carbon capture and sequestration
6 technology that, in the aggregate—

7 “(i) have a total of at least 10
8 gigawatts of treated generating capacity;
9 and

10 “(ii) include electric generating units
11 with at least 4 gigawatts of treated gener-
12 ating capacity which units are capturing
13 and sequestering in deep geologic saline
14 formations the aggregate at least 24 mil-
15 lion tons of carbon dioxide per year, cal-
16 culated on an aggregate annualized basis;
17 or

18 “(B) the later of—

19 “(i) January 1, 2030; or

20 “(ii) the date by which the assessment
21 under section 102(b) determines that it is
22 reasonable to conclude that technology is
23 available to the commercial marketplace.

24 “(c) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 2 years after the
25 date of enactment of the Carbon Capture and Sequestra-

1 tion Deployment Act of 2010, the Administrator shall pro-
2 mulgate regulations to carry out the requirements of this
3 section.

4 “(d) COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARDS.—Not with-
5 standing other provisions of law, no unit subject to stand-
6 ards under subsection (b) shall be deemed subject to sec-
7 tion 111 of this Act for emissions of carbon dioxide. Any
8 unit subject to standards under subsection (b) shall be
9 deemed to have met the requirements of section 169(3)
10 for carbon dioxide.”.

11 (b) COMPLIANCE AND JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Sections
12 114 and 307 of such Act are each amended by striking
13 “section 111” in each place it appears and inserting “sec-
14 tion 111 or section 111A”.

15 **SEC. 402. CONSOLIDATED REVIEW OF FEDERAL AUTHOR-**
16 **IZATIONS.**

17 (a) DESIGNATION OF LEAD AGENCY.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Department of Energy
19 shall act as the lead agency for the purposes of co-
20 ordinating all applicable Federal authorizations and
21 related environmental reviews with respect to an eli-
22 gible project, including any requirements of—

23 (A) the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et
24 seq.);

1 (B) the Endangered Species Act of 1973
2 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.);

3 (C) the Federal Water Pollution Control
4 Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.);

5 (D) the National Environmental Policy Act
6 of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.); or

7 (E) the Safe Drinking Water Act (42
8 U.S.C. 300f et seq.).

9 (2) OTHER AGENCIES.—Each Federal and
10 State agency required to provide a Federal author-
11 ization for an eligible project shall cooperate with
12 the Secretary and comply with the deadlines estab-
13 lished by the Secretary under subsection (b).

14 (b) COORDINATION AND CONSOLIDATED REVIEW.—

15 (1) SCHEDULE.—As the head of the lead agen-
16 cy, and in consultation with other agencies, the Sec-
17 retary shall establish a schedule for all Federal au-
18 thorizations with respect to each eligible project. In
19 establishing the schedule, the Secretary shall—

20 (A) set binding intermediate milestones
21 and deadlines to ensure expeditious completion
22 of all proceedings and final action on all Fed-
23 eral authorizations relating to the eligible
24 project;

1 (B) require that all permit decisions and
2 related environmental reviews under applicable
3 Federal laws shall be completed—

4 (i) within 1 year after the submission
5 of a complete application for each permit
6 decision or environmental review; or

7 (ii) if an express requirement of an-
8 other provision of Federal law does not
9 permit compliance with the 1-year deadline
10 in clause (i), as soon thereafter as is prac-
11 ticable; and

12 (C) coordinate, to the maximum extent
13 practicable, any permitting and environmental
14 reviews that apply to the eligible project only
15 under State law.

16 (2) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.—Not
17 later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this
18 Act, the Secretary and the heads of all Federal
19 agencies with authority to issue Federal authoriza-
20 tions shall execute a memorandum of understanding
21 to ensure the coordinated and streamlined review
22 and prompt issuance of Federal authorizations for
23 eligible projects.

24 (3) PRE-APPLICATION REVIEW.—The Secretary
25 shall establish and facilitate a pre-application review

1 process to expedite the review of all Federal author-
2 izations, including permit decisions and related envi-
3 ronmental reviews, for any eligible project under ap-
4 plicable Federal laws. The pre-application review
5 process shall require each agency involved in the re-
6 view process to confer with prospective applicants
7 and identify those issues of major concern to the
8 agency and the general public regarding the eligible
9 project. The pre-application review process shall re-
10 quire such agencies to provide a written response to
11 an inquiry from a prospective applicant not later
12 than 60 days after the completion of the pre-applica-
13 tion review process.

14 (4) CONSOLIDATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL RE-
15 VIEWS.—The Secretary, in consultation with affected
16 agencies, shall prepare a single environmental review
17 document for assessing all major Federal actions re-
18 lated to any eligible project under section 102 of the
19 National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42
20 U.S.C. 4332). Agencies subject to such environ-
21 mental review requirements shall use the document
22 as the basis for all decisions related to the eligible
23 project.

24 (5) FAILURE TO MEET SCHEDULE.—If a Fed-
25 eral or State agency does not complete a proceeding

1 for an approval that is required for a Federal au-
2 thorization in accordance with the schedule estab-
3 lished by the Secretary under this subsection, the
4 applicant may pursue remedies under subsection (d).

5 (c) CONSOLIDATED RECORD.—The Secretary shall,
6 with the cooperation of Federal and State agencies, main-
7 tain a complete consolidated record of all decisions made
8 or actions taken by the Secretary or by a Federal agency
9 (or State agency acting under delegated Federal author-
10 ity) with respect to any Federal authorization. Such record
11 shall be the record for judicial review under subsection (d)
12 of decisions made or actions taken of Federal and State
13 agencies, except that, if the Court determines that the
14 record does not contain sufficient information, the Court
15 may remand the proceeding to the Secretary for further
16 development of the consolidated record.

17 (d) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—The United States Court of
19 Appeals for the circuit in which the eligible project
20 is proposed to be constructed shall have original and
21 exclusive jurisdiction over any civil action for the re-
22 view of—

23 (A) an order or action related to a Federal
24 authorization, by a Federal agency (other than
25 the Secretary) or State agency acting pursuant

1 to Federal law to issue, including any order or
2 action to condition or deny any Federal author-
3 ization; and

4 (B) an alleged failure to act by a Federal
5 or State agency with respect to a Federal au-
6 thorization.

7 The failure of an agency to take action on a Federal
8 authorization in accordance with the schedule estab-
9 lished by the Secretary under subsection (b)(1) shall
10 be considered to be inconsistent with Federal law for
11 the purposes of paragraph (2) of this subsection.

12 (2) COURT ACTION.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Court shall re-
14 mand the proceeding for a particular eligible
15 project to the appropriate agency if the Court
16 finds that—

17 (i) there has occurred either—

18 (I) an order or action described
19 in paragraph (1)(A) that is incon-
20 sistent with the Federal law governing
21 the Federal authorization for the eligi-
22 ble project; or

23 (II) a failure to act as described
24 in paragraph 1(B) with respect to the
25 eligible project; and

1 (ii) the order, action, or failure to act
2 would prevent the siting, construction, or
3 operation of the eligible project.

4 (B) REMAND.—If the Court remands the
5 order or action to the appropriate Federal or
6 State agency under subparagraph (A), the
7 Court shall provide specific direction to remedy
8 any inconsistency with Federal law and set a
9 reasonable schedule and appropriate deadlines
10 for the agency to act on remand.

11 (4) FILING CONSOLIDATED RECORD.—For any
12 civil action described in this subsection, the Sec-
13 retary shall promptly file with the Court the consoli-
14 dated record of the order or action to which the ap-
15 peal hereunder relates, as compiled by the Secretary
16 pursuant to subsection (c).

17 (5) EXPEDITED REVIEW.—The Court shall set
18 any action brought under this subsection for expe-
19 dited consideration.

20 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

21 (1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-
22 trator” means the Administrator of the Environ-
23 mental Protection Agency.

24 (2) ELIGIBLE PROJECT.—The term “eligible
25 project” means any project that is eligible to receive

1 a financial incentive under title II or III this Act or
2 the amendments made by this Act.

3 (3) FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION.—The term
4 “Federal authorization”—

5 (A) means any authorization required
6 under Federal law, whether administered by a
7 Federal or State agency, with respect to the
8 siting, construction, or operation of an eligible
9 project; and

10 (B) includes any permit, license, special
11 use authorizations, certifications, opinions, con-
12 currence, or other approvals that may be re-
13 quired under Federal law with respect to the
14 siting, construction, or operation of an eligible
15 project.

16 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
17 the Secretary of Energy.

18 (f) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 18 months after
19 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall es-
20 tablish by rule, after notice and public opportunity to com-
21 ment, regulations that are necessary to implement this
22 section.

23 (g) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAWS.—Except as spe-
24 cifically provided, nothing in this section affects any re-

1 quirement of any Federal or State law, including the Fed-
2 eral laws described in subsection (a)(1).

3 **TITLE V—CARBON STORAGE**
4 **STEWARDSHIP**

5 **SEC. 501. SHORT TITLE.**

6 This title may be cited as the “Carbon Storage Stew-
7 ardship Act”.

8 **SEC. 502. PURPOSE.**

9 The purpose of this title is to facilitate carbon cap-
10 ture and storage in suitable underground formations by—

11 (1) providing for long-term stewardship of
12 closed carbon dioxide storage sites to ensure con-
13 tinuing protection of health, safety, and the environ-
14 ment during the stewardship period;

15 (2) providing a system for compensation to any
16 person that may suffer personal injury or property
17 damage from stored carbon dioxide at such a site;

18 (3) establishing financial responsibility and a
19 dedicated funding mechanism for such stewardship
20 and compensation; and

21 (4) establishing a transitional program that
22 provides limited indemnification for owners and op-
23 erators of qualifying first mover projects to dem-
24 onstrate the capture and geological storage of car-
25 bon dioxide.

1 **SEC. 503. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this title:

3 (1) BOARD.—The term “Board” means the
4 Carbon Storage Stewardship Board that is estab-
5 lished under section 508.

6 (2) CARBON DIOXIDE.—The term “carbon diox-
7 ide” means carbon dioxide that is segregated for
8 purposes of geologic storage, including small quan-
9 tities of other compounds to the extent authorized by
10 the terms of the injection permits issued for the
11 storage facility.

12 (3) CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION.—The term
13 “certificate of completion” means a determination
14 issued with respect to a storage facility by the regu-
15 latory authority that certifies that the project oper-
16 ator has completed injection operations, well closure,
17 and any required monitoring and remediation at a
18 storage facility, so that there is a reasonable basis
19 to believe that carbon dioxide is and will continue to
20 be safely stored at the site and will not present an
21 unreasonable risk to health, safety, or the environ-
22 ment (including drinking water supplies) during the
23 stewardship period.

24 (4) CERTIFIED POST-CLOSURE STORAGE FACIL-
25 ITY.—The term “certified post closure storage facil-
26 ity” means a storage facility for which the regu-

1 latory authority has issued a certificate of comple-
2 tion.

3 (5) CIVIL CLAIM.—The term “civil claim”
4 means any claim for civil relief with respect to a fa-
5 cility that arises from migration of carbon dioxide
6 from such facility or is otherwise related to the in-
7 jection of carbon dioxide at such facility, excluding—

8 (A) any claim arising from breach of an
9 express contract; and

10 (B) in the case of a project operator, any
11 claim arising from—

12 (i) willful violation of applicable rules
13 of the regulatory authority; or

14 (ii) any false statement or misrepre-
15 sentation in an application for a certificate
16 of completion; and

17 (iii) conduct that constitutes reckless
18 or intentional misconduct by the project
19 operator.

20 (6) FEDERAL OR STATE ENVIRONMENTAL RE-
21 QUIREMENT.—The term “Federal or State environ-
22 mental requirement” means a requirement of a Fed-
23 eral or State agency that—

24 (A) relates to health, safety, or the envi-
25 ronment that results from the injection of car-

1 bon dioxide at a certified post-closure storage
2 facility;

3 (B) is authorized under Federal or State
4 law; and

5 (C) imposes an obligation relating to such
6 injection of carbon dioxide during the steward-
7 ship period to—

8 (i) monitor the migration of carbon
9 dioxide within and from a certified post-
10 closure storage facility;

11 (ii) perform remediation at such facil-
12 ity;

13 (iii) desist from any action that poses
14 a health, safety, or environment risk; or

15 (iv) take other such action that may
16 be necessary to ensure the protection of
17 health, safety or the environment.

18 (7) FIRST MOVER PROJECT.—The term “first
19 mover project” is a project involving the large-scale
20 capture and geological sequestration of carbon diox-
21 ide that the Secretary selects for indemnification
22 under section 508.

23 (8) NON-FEDERAL MEMBER.—The term “non-
24 Federal member” means any member of the Board

1 who is not otherwise employed by the Federal gov-
2 ernment.

3 (9) PROGRAM.—The term “Program” means
4 the National Carbon Storage Stewardship Program
5 established under section 507.

6 (10) PROJECT OPERATOR.—The term “project
7 operator” means the entity responsible for injection
8 operations at a storage facility.

9 (11) PUBLIC CLAIM.—The term “public
10 claim”—

11 (A) means a civil claim that is asserted by
12 a third party for—

13 (i) personal injury;

14 (ii) property damage;

15 (iii) trespass; or

16 (iv) nuisance; but

17 (B) does not include claims for punitive
18 damages or non-economic losses.

19 (12) REGULATORY AUTHORITY.—The term
20 “regulatory authority” for a storage facility means
21 the State or Federal agency that issues an injection
22 permit for such storage facility. If more than one
23 agency has such authority with respect to a facility,
24 the Board shall designate one of the permitting

1 agencies as the regulatory authority for such facility
2 for purposes of carrying out this title.

3 (13) REMEDIATION.—The term “remediation”
4 means action to remedy, mitigate, or correct any
5 danger to health, safety, or the environment (includ-
6 ing any damage to underground drinking water sup-
7 plies) that occurs as a result of prior injection of
8 carbon dioxide at a certified post-closure storage fa-
9 cility.

10 (14) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
11 means the Secretary of Energy.

12 (15) STEWARDSHIP AGENCY.—The term “stew-
13 ardsHIP agency” means the agency that has assumed
14 stewardship responsibility under section 504.

15 (16) STEWARDSHIP PERIOD.—The term “stew-
16 ardsHIP period” for a storage facility means the pe-
17 riod of time that begins upon the date that the regu-
18 latory authority issues the certificate of completion
19 for the storage facility.

20 (17) STEWARDSHIP RESPONSIBILITY.—The
21 term “stewardship responsibility” means responsi-
22 bility for monitoring and remediation of certified
23 post-closure storage facilities in a State during the
24 stewardship period, as provided in section 504.

1 (18) STORAGE FACILITY.—The term “storage
2 facility” means a facility for long-term geologic stor-
3 age and sequestration of carbon dioxide, including a
4 facility for enhanced oil or gas recovery, as provided
5 by section 506(b)(1)(B).

6 (19) TRUST FUND.—The term “Trust Fund”
7 means the Carbon Storage Stewardship Trust Fund
8 that is established under section 506.

9 **SEC. 504. STEWARDSHIP RESPONSIBILITY.**

10 (a) AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR STEWARDSHIP.—A
11 State may accept stewardship responsibility for certified
12 post-closure storage facilities in that State in accordance
13 with regulations of the Secretary. If a State declines to
14 accept stewardship responsibility, then the Secretary shall
15 have stewardship responsibility for certified post-closure
16 storage facilities in that State. In accordance with such
17 rules as the Secretary may prescribe, if a State that has
18 accepted stewardship responsibility fails to carry out such
19 responsibility, the Secretary shall, after notice and oppor-
20 tunity for comment, assume such responsibility.

21 (b) ADMINISTRATION, MONITORING AND REMEDI-
22 ATION.—

23 (1) RESPONSIBILITIES.—Upon issuance of the
24 certificate of completion for a storage facility, the
25 stewardship agency shall be responsible for providing

1 all monitoring and remediation of the carbon dioxide
2 injected at that storage facility. The monitoring and
3 remediation shall be conducted in accordance with
4 standards prescribed by the Board under section
5 507(c)(1).

6 (2) REIMBURSEMENT OF AGENCY COSTS.—The
7 Board shall reimburse the stewardship agency for all
8 reasonable and verified costs that the stewardship
9 agency has incurred for program administration and
10 the performance of its stewardship responsibility, as
11 described in paragraph (1). The Board shall pay
12 such costs from the Trust Fund through the Pro-
13 gram and in accordance with a reimbursement con-
14 tract entered into under subsection (c).

15 (c) REIMBURSEMENT CONTRACTS.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Board shall offer each
17 agency that accepts stewardship responsibility for
18 certified post-closure storage facilities within a State
19 a contract under which the Board provides reim-
20 bursement for costs of administration, monitoring,
21 and remediation of such facilities during the stew-
22 ardship period as determined under paragraph (2).
23 Section 1341 of title 31, United States Code shall
24 not apply to any such contract. The contract shall

1 be backed by the full faith and credit of the United
2 States.

3 (2) RULES.—The Board shall prescribe rules
4 for reimbursement of all reasonable costs of adminis-
5 tration, monitoring, and remediation incurred by
6 agencies that have stewardship responsibility for cer-
7 tified post-closure storage facilities.

8 **SEC. 505. RESPONSIBILITY FOR PAYMENT OF CLAIMS.**

9 (a) CLAIMS AGAINST THE TRUST FUND.—

10 (1) PUBLIC CLAIMS.—Upon issuance of the cer-
11 tificate of completion for a storage facility, all public
12 claims related to the carbon dioxide injected at that
13 certified post closure storage facility shall be filed
14 with the Board and paid from Trust Fund.

15 (2) ORPHAN STORAGE FACILITIES.—A steward-
16 ship agency having jurisdiction over a particular
17 storage facility may petition the Board for reim-
18 bursement from the Trust Fund of the monitoring
19 and remediation costs that may be incurred by such
20 stewardship agency consistent with the standards es-
21 tablished under section 507(c) if—

22 (A) the particular storage facility—

23 (i) has completed injection operations
24 at the storage facility;

1 (ii) has obtained all applicable permits
2 for the injection of carbon dioxide into the
3 storage facility and substantially complied
4 with the requirements of those permits
5 during the injection operations;

6 (iii) has paid annual assessments into
7 the Trust Fund, as required under section
8 506(b), for a substantial majority of the
9 carbon dioxide injected into the storage fa-
10 cility; and

11 (iv) is unable to obtain a certificate of
12 completion from the regulatory authority;
13 and

14 (B) a United States bankruptcy court has
15 issued—

16 (i) a bankruptcy discharge that re-
17 leases the owners, operators, and any other
18 potentially responsible parties from the fi-
19 nancial liabilities related to the particular
20 storage facility; or

21 (ii) other determination that the own-
22 ers, operators, and any other potentially
23 responsible parties of the particular stor-
24 age are financially unable to fulfill condi-
25 tions and requirements necessary to obtain

1 a certificate of completion for the par-
2 ticular storage facility; and

3 (C) the Board determines that using the
4 Trust Fund to fund monitoring and remedi-
5 ation activities at the particular storage facility
6 is in the public interest.

7 (3) EXCLUSIVE BOARD JURISDICTION.—The
8 Board shall have exclusive jurisdiction to adjudicate
9 all public claims and petitions filed with Board
10 under paragraphs (1) and (2), as provided by section
11 509.

12 (b) CLAIMS AGAINST STEWARDSHIP AGENCIES.—

13 (1) CIVIL CLAIMS.—Subject to paragraph (2),
14 an agency that has stewardship responsibility for a
15 certified post-closure storage facility is not subject to
16 any civil claim as a result of assuming or carrying
17 out its stewardship responsibility under this title.

18 (2) FEDERAL AND STATE REQUIREMENTS.—An
19 agency that has stewardship responsibility for a cer-
20 tified post-closure storage facility shall be subject
21 to—

22 (A) all applicable Federal and State envi-
23 ronmental requirements that relate to the injec-
24 tion of carbon dioxide at that storage facility
25 during the stewardship period; and

1 (B) civil claims for injunctive relief for the
2 performance of—

3 (i) all applicable Federal and State
4 environmental requirements that relate
5 to—

6 (I) the ongoing monitoring,
7 measurement, and verification of car-
8 bon dioxide injected at that storage
9 facility; and

10 (II) maintaining the integrity of
11 the storage facility during the stew-
12 ardship period; and

13 (ii) any requirement to provide reme-
14 diation at the storage facility during the
15 stewardship period that is—

16 (I) consistent with any applicable
17 Federal or State environmental re-
18 quirements; and

19 (II) necessary to remedy any
20 breach in the integrity of the storage
21 facility that is caused by the injection
22 of carbon dioxide into such facility.

23 (3) VENUE.—Civil claims brought for injunctive
24 relief under paragraph (2)(B) shall be filed in the

1 District Court of the United States in which the
2 stewardship agency is located.

3 (4) CONFLICTING REQUIREMENTS.—If a stand-
4 ard or requirement established by the Board differs
5 from any Federal or State environmental require-
6 ment, compliance with the Board standard or re-
7 quirement shall be deemed to satisfy the obligation
8 of a stewardship agency to comply with the cor-
9 responding State or Federal environmental require-
10 ment.

11 (c) CLAIMS AGAINST OPERATORS, PROPERTY OWN-
12 ERS, TRANSPORTERS, AND GENERATORS.—Upon issuance
13 of the certificate of completion for a storage facility, civil
14 claims related to the carbon dioxide injected at that cer-
15 tified post-closure storage facility may not be brought
16 against—

17 (1) the project operator of the facility, except if
18 the Board determines that there are insufficient
19 funds in the Trust Fund to pay such claims, as pro-
20 vided in subsection (b)(5)(E) of section 506;

21 (2) the owner of the facility;

22 (3) a holder of a real property interest in the
23 facility;

24 (4) any transmission pipeline that transported
25 carbon dioxide to the facility; or

1 (5) the generator of the carbon dioxide being
2 handled by either the pipeline or storage facility.

3 **SEC. 506. CARBON STORAGE STEWARDSHIP TRUST FUND.**

4 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUST FUND.—The Carbon
5 Storage Stewardship Trust Fund is hereby established in
6 the Treasury. The Trust Fund shall be administered by
7 the Board. Notwithstanding section 3302 of title 31,
8 United States Code, all assessments paid under subsection
9 (b) shall be deposited in the Trust Fund and shall be avail-
10 able without fiscal year limitation and without further ap-
11 propriation solely for the purpose of—

12 (1) covering the administrative costs of the
13 Board under this title; and

14 (2) making payments authorized by section
15 507.

16 (b) ASSESSMENTS.—

17 (1) PAYMENT BY OPERATOR.—

18 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
19 subparagraph (B), each project operator of a
20 storage facility shall pay an annual assessment
21 into the Trust Fund for the carbon dioxide in-
22 jected into a storage facility during a given cal-
23 endar year after the date of enactment of this
24 Act. The annual assessment shall be equal to
25 the product of—

1 (i) the number of tons of carbon diox-
2 ide that are injected into the storage facil-
3 ity for a particular year during the oper-
4 ational phase of the facility; and

5 (ii) the assessment amount, expressed
6 on a dollar-per-ton of carbon dioxide in-
7 jected, that the Board has established for
8 the storage facility under paragraph (2).

9 (B) ENHANCED OIL OR GAS RECOVERY.—

10 In the case of the injection of carbon dioxide for
11 the purpose of enhanced oil or gas recovery, the
12 requirement to pay an annual assessment into
13 the Trust Fund under subparagraph (A) shall
14 apply—

15 (i) solely to the net quantity of carbon
16 dioxide injected into a storage facility for
17 the purpose of the long-term geological
18 storage of the carbon dioxide in order to
19 meet a greenhouse gas reduction compli-
20 ance obligation under a Federal or State
21 regulatory program; and

22 (ii) only to the extent that the project
23 operator has relied upon geological storage
24 of the carbon dioxide for meeting a green-
25 house gas reduction compliance obligation

1 under a Federal or State regulatory pro-
2 gram.

3 (C) SPECIAL RULE.—

4 (i) EXTENDED PAYMENT SCHED-
5 ULE.—Except as provided by clause (ii),
6 the Board may impose an assessment
7 under subparagraph (A) upon any storage
8 facility existing on the date of enactment
9 of this Act for amounts of carbon dioxide
10 injected prior to the establishment of the
11 Trust Fund. The Board shall establish a
12 reasonable schedule for the payment of the
13 assessment authorized under the previous
14 sentence, which shall not exceed 10 years.

15 (ii) DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.—

16 The Board shall not impose an assessment
17 under subparagraph (A) in the case of a
18 demonstration project that—

19 (I) injects carbon dioxide in
20 amounts that are less than 1,000,000
21 tons per year;

22 (II) has an injection period of 5
23 years or less; and

1 (III) poses a de minimis risk to
2 health, safety, or the environment
3 during the stewardship period.

4 (iii) TRUST FUND COVERAGE.—In the
5 case of a project that is exempted from the
6 assessment under clause (ii) of this sub-
7 paragraph, the stewardship agency shall—

8 (I) perform any monitoring and
9 remediation that may be necessary
10 after the proper closure of the storage
11 facility;

12 (II) receive reimbursement for
13 the reasonable costs for performing
14 such monitoring and remediation ac-
15 tivities from the Trust Fund by the
16 Board; and

17 (III) be subject to civil claims for
18 injunctive relief to perform appro-
19 priate monitoring and remediation, as
20 provided under section 505(b)(2)(B).

21 (2) ASSESSMENT AMOUNT.—After providing op-
22 portunity for public notice and comment and after
23 taking into account the information, recommenda-
24 tions and guidance that the technical advisory com-
25 mittee may provide under section 508(g), the Board

1 shall determine by rule the assessment amount that
2 applies to each ton of carbon dioxide injected into a
3 storage facility in accordance with method prescribed
4 in paragraph (3).

5 (3) METHOD FOR CALCULATING ASSESSMENT
6 AMOUNT.—The Board shall establish by rule a
7 method for calculating the assessment amount
8 that—

9 (A) establishes a specific dollar-per-ton as-
10 sessment for the injection of carbon dioxide into
11 each type or class of storage facilities that the
12 Board has identified under paragraph (4)(A);

13 (B) reflects the degree of risk that sub-
14 stantial remediation costs and public claims
15 might be incurred for each type or class of stor-
16 age facilities for which the Board has developed
17 a risk profile under paragraph (4)(B);

18 (C) accounts for the cumulative quantities
19 of carbon dioxide that project operators are ex-
20 pected to inject into storage facilities at appro-
21 priate milestones over the life of the Program;

22 (D) calculates the net present value of cu-
23 mulative payments that the Board expects to
24 make under section 507 at appropriate mile-
25 stones over the life of the Program for—

1 (i) reasonable future administrative
2 costs that the Board expects to incur
3 under the Act;

4 (ii) reimbursement to stewardship
5 agencies for the reasonable future costs
6 that such agencies are likely to incur for
7 program administration, monitoring, reme-
8 diation and the performance of other stew-
9 ardship responsibilities under section 504;
10 and

11 (iii) satisfaction of public claims on
12 which the Board expects to make payment
13 based on the reasonably anticipated risks
14 of ultimate recovery against the Program
15 for such costs under section 505;

16 (E) calculates the net present value of pay-
17 ments that the Board expects to be deposited
18 into the Trust Fund under this subsection at
19 appropriate milestones over the life of the Pro-
20 gram; and

21 (F) reflects the best available engineering,
22 geological, and scientific information, including
23 the information, recommendations and guidance
24 that the technical advisory committee may pro-
25 vide to the Board under section 508(g).

1 (4) TYPES AND CLASSES OF STORAGE FACILI-
2 TIES.—

3 (A) IDENTIFICATION AND CATEGORIZA-
4 TION.—The Board shall identify those geologi-
5 cal formations that may potentially be used as
6 a storage facility and categorize each identified
7 formation into an appropriate type or class
8 based on—

9 (i) the type of formation, including
10 depleted oil and gas formations, deep
11 unmineable coal seams, and deep saline
12 aquifers;

13 (ii) depth of injection of carbon diox-
14 ide into the formation;

15 (iii) proximity of the formation to
16 drinking water sources, human settle-
17 ments, or ecologically sensitive areas;

18 (iv) proximity of the formation to seis-
19 mically active geological faults; and

20 (v) other factors that may affect the
21 probability that the Board may incur sub-
22 stantial costs for remediation and public
23 claims under section 508(g).

24 (B) RISK PROFILES.—For each type or
25 class of geological formation identified under

1 subparagraph (A), the Board shall prepare a
2 profile of the reasonably foreseeable risks that
3 could result by the injection of carbon dioxide
4 into such a formation. In developing such risk
5 profiles, the Board shall rely on the best avail-
6 able scientific information, including the infor-
7 mation, recommendations and guidance that the
8 technical advisory committee may provide to the
9 Board under section 508(g).

10 (5) ADJUSTMENT OF ASSESSMENT AMOUNT.—

11 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Board shall pre-
12 scribe rules for adjusting the assessment
13 amount established under paragraph (2) if the
14 Board determines that the Trust Fund is un-
15 derfunded or overfunded to cover the payments
16 expected under section 507. The Board shall
17 make its determination on the sufficiency of
18 such funds in the Trust Fund based on actu-
19 arial studies to be conducted at least every 5
20 years, beginning 10 years after the date of en-
21 actment of this Act, and any change in the as-
22 sessment amount shall be made in accordance
23 with the applicable provisions of this subsection
24 and after opportunity for public notice and
25 comment.

1 (B) LIMITS ON SIZE OF TRUST FUND.—

2 (i) IN GENERAL.—The Board shall es-
3 tablish by rule a minimum and maximum
4 balance for the Trust Fund and adjust the
5 amount of the assessment amount to en-
6 sure that the amounts in Trust Fund re-
7 main within the minimum and maximum
8 fund levels established under this subpara-
9 graph. In setting the minimum and max-
10 imum fund levels, the Board shall—

11 (I) apply the criteria prescribed
12 in paragraph (3) for calculating the
13 assessment amount; and

14 (II) take into account the infor-
15 mation, recommendations and guid-
16 ance that the technical advisory com-
17 mittee may provide under section
18 508(g).

19 (ii) REVIEW AND REVISION.—The
20 Board shall review from time to time and
21 revise as necessary and appropriate the
22 minimum and maximum levels established
23 for the Trust Fund under clause (i) of this
24 subparagraph. The Board may make any
25 revision to the minimum and maximum

1 levels only in accordance with applicable
2 provisions of this subsection, including the
3 requirements of clause (i) of this subpara-
4 graph.

5 (C) REBATES IF TRUST FUND IS OVER-
6 FUNDED.—The Board may provide rebates to
7 project operators that have made payments into
8 the Trust Fund under subsection (b) if the
9 Board determines by rule that—

10 (i) the Trust Fund is overfunded
11 under subparagraph (A);

12 (ii) a substantial reduction in future
13 payments into the Trust Fund would be
14 necessary to ensure that the amounts in
15 the Trust Fund do not exceed maximum
16 balance levels established under subpara-
17 graph (B); and

18 (iii) a rebate of past payments, com-
19 bined with a downward adjustment of fu-
20 ture payments, into the Trust Fund is ap-
21 propriate to ensure a fair and equitable as-
22 sessment on all project operators contrib-
23 uting to the Trust Fund.

24 (D) INCREASES IN ASSESSMENT
25 AMOUNT.—The Board may increase the level of

1 the assessment amount for carbon dioxide in-
2 jected into a storage facility if the Board deter-
3 mines by rule that the Trust Fund is under-
4 funded under subparagraph (A). Any such in-
5 crease in the assessment amount shall only
6 apply prospectively to annual assessments for
7 carbon dioxide injected during the operation of
8 a storage facility under paragraph (2).

9 (E) CLAIMS IN EXCESS OF TRUST FUND.—

10 The project operator shall be responsible to pay
11 claims under section 505 that are related to, or
12 arising from, the injection and sequestration of
13 carbon dioxide at its certified post-closure stor-
14 age facility if the Board determines that insuffi-
15 cient funds are available to pay such claims
16 even after the application of a prospective in-
17 crease of the assessment amount, as authorized
18 by subparagraph (D).

19 (c) INVESTMENT.—At the request of the Board, the
20 Secretary of the Treasury may invest any part of the
21 amounts in the Trust Fund in interest-bearing securities
22 of the United States Government. The interest on, and
23 the proceeds from the sale or redemption of, the securities
24 shall be deposited in the Trust Fund.

1 (d) REPAYABLE ADVANCES.—If amounts in the
2 Trust Fund are insufficient to cover current obligations
3 of the Board under this Act, there are authorized to be
4 appropriated to the Trust Fund as interest-bearing repay-
5 able advances, such sums as may be necessary to carry
6 out the purposes of such Trust Fund. The terms and con-
7 ditions of such advances shall be as specified in appropria-
8 tion Acts.

9 **SEC. 507. PAYMENTS FROM THE TRUST FUND.**

10 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Board shall establish and
11 administer the National Carbon Storage Stewardship Pro-
12 gram to—

13 (1) reimburse agencies (or the Secretary as pro-
14 vided under section 504) for the costs incurred for
15 program administration and in performing their
16 stewardship responsibilities with respect to certified
17 post-closure storage facilities, as provided in con-
18 tracts executed under section 504(c); and

19 (2) make payments to satisfy—

20 (A) public claims made with respect to cer-
21 tified post-closure storage facilities, as author-
22 ized by section 505(a)(1); and

23 (B) petitions to cover monitoring and re-
24 mediation costs incurred at storage facilities, as
25 authorized by section 505(a)(2).

1 The payment of these expenditures by the Board
2 shall be funded from the Trust Fund in accordance
3 with provisions of this title.

4 (b) PAYMENT SCHEDULES FOR PUBLIC CLAIMS.—

5 The Board shall by rule prescribe payment schedules for
6 determining the nature and amount of compensation that
7 the Board will pay from the Trust Fund for public claims
8 under section 505(a)(1). The payment schedules shall re-
9 flect the best available engineering, geological, and sci-
10 entific information, including the information, rec-
11 ommendations and guidance that the technical advisory
12 committee may provide to the Board under section 508(g).

13 (c) MONITORING AND REMEDIATION.—

14 (1) STANDARDS.—The Board shall prescribe
15 standards for determining whether and to what ex-
16 tent monitoring and remediation will be required for
17 carbon dioxide injected at a certified post-closure
18 storage facility. The standards shall—

19 (A) be based on the applicable Federal and
20 State environmental requirements for the moni-
21 toring and remediation of carbon dioxide in-
22 jected at a certified post closure storage facility;
23 and

24 (B) reflect any other monitoring or remedi-
25 ation requirements that the Board determines

1 are necessary to protect the health, safety, and
2 the environment during the stewardship period.

3 (2) REIMBURSEMENT.—

4 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Board shall reim-
5 burse the stewardship agency from the Trust
6 Fund for the costs that it has incurred for the
7 monitoring and remediation in accordance with
8 the standards established under paragraph (1)
9 and contracts entered into under section 504.

10 (B) CONTRACTUAL DISPUTES.—The stew-
11 ardship agency or the Board may bring an ac-
12 tion in the United States District Court to ob-
13 tain relief on disputes relating to provisions of
14 reimbursement contracts executed under section
15 504(c).

16 (d) LIMITATION ON PAYMENT OF CLAIMS.—The
17 Board shall not pay claims otherwise authorized under
18 this section if the claim for reimbursement or compensa-
19 tion arose from conduct of the project operator that con-
20 stitutes reckless or intentional misconduct.

21 (e) PRIVATE INSURERS.—The Board may contract
22 with private insurers to provide claim adjustment services
23 for public claims. In addition, to the extent the Board de-
24 termines that insurance from private sources to cover rea-
25 sonably anticipated costs of public claims and remediation

1 is available for certified post-closure storage facilities at
2 reasonable cost and on reasonable terms, the Board may
3 purchase such insurance from private sources.

4 **SEC. 508. CARBON STORAGE STEWARDSHIP BOARD.**

5 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established
6 within the Department of Energy an independent agency
7 to be know as the Carbon Storage Stewardship Board.

8 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Board is to ad-
9 vance, in the most efficient and effective manner, the wide-
10 spread deployment of carbon capture and storage tech-
11 nologies by providing for the long-term stewardship of
12 closed storage sites in a manner that achieves the objec-
13 tives and requirements of this title.

14 (c) ORGANIZATION.—

15 (1) MEMBERSHIP.—The Board shall consist of
16 7 members, of which—

17 (A) 4 shall be appointed by the President
18 by and with the advice and consent of the Sen-
19 ate; and

20 (B) 3 shall be full-time Federal employees
21 designated by the President in accordance with
22 paragraph (6).

23 (2) QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.—Each
24 member of the Board shall—

25 (A) be a citizen of the United States;

1 (B) have demonstrated knowledge and ex-
2 pertise in the fields relating to—

3 (i) carbon capture technologies;

4 (ii) geological storage of carbon diox-
5 ide in underground formations;

6 (iii) electric power generation; or

7 (iv) qualitative and quantitative eval-
8 uation of the risk posed to health, safety,
9 or the environment (including drinking
10 water supplies) by the injection of carbon
11 dioxide into underground formations; and

12 (C) in the case of members that are full-
13 time Federal employees designated under sub-
14 paragraph (c)(1)(B), be serving in a technical
15 capacity for the Federal agency on one or more
16 of the areas enumerated in subparagraph (B).

17 (3) APPOINTMENT AND DESIGNATION.—Not
18 later than 180 days after the date of enactment of
19 this Act, the President shall appoint or designate (as
20 the case may be) the members to the Board in ac-
21 cordance with the requirements of this subsection.

22 (4) TERM OF SERVICE.—

23 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided
24 under subparagraph (B), each non-Federal
25 member of the Board shall serve for a term of

1 12 years and may be removed by the President
2 only for neglect of duty, malfeasance, or other
3 just cause for dismissal. Members of the Board
4 who are full-time Federal employees shall serve
5 at the pleasure of the President.

6 (B) FIRST APPOINTMENTS.—In the case of
7 the non-Federal members that the President
8 first appoints to the Board,

9 (i) the Chairperson shall serve a term
10 of 6 years; and

11 (ii) the 3 remaining non-Federal
12 members to the Board (other than the
13 Chairperson) shall serve for terms of 8, 10,
14 and 12 years, as designated by the Presi-
15 dent at the time of appointment.

16 (C) SERVICE UNTIL NEW APPOINTMENT.—
17 The term of a non-Federal Board member shall
18 continue after the expiration of the term of the
19 member until the date on which a replacement
20 is appointed by the President and confirmed by
21 the Senate.

22 (D) VACANCY.—Any non-Federal Board
23 member appointed to fill a vacancy in an unex-
24 pired term shall serve only for the remainder of
25 that term.

1 (E) REAPPOINTMENT.—An individual who
2 has served as a Board member for a term of
3 more than 8 years shall not be eligible for re-
4 appointment.

5 (5) CHAIRPERSON.—

6 (A) DESIGNATION.—The President shall
7 designate a Chairperson from the non-Federal
8 Board members that are representatives from
9 industry under paragraph (6)(E).

10 (B) TERM OF SERVICE.—The Chairperson
11 of the Board shall serve for a term of 6 years
12 and may be reappointed for a second-year term.

13 (6) COMPOSITION OF BOARD.—The Board shall
14 consist of—

15 (A) 1 employee from the Department of
16 Energy;

17 (B) 1 employee from Environmental Pro-
18 tection Agency;

19 (C) 1 employee from the Department of
20 Interior;

21 (D) 1 representative from a public utility
22 commission or other state governmental agency;
23 and

1 (E) 3 representatives from industry, in-
2 cluding 2 individuals who have substantial expe-
3 rience in the electric power sector.

4 (7) LEVEL OF SERVICE.—

5 (A) FULL-TIME SERVICE.—The Chair-
6 person of the Board shall serve on a full-time
7 basis and may not engage in any other busi-
8 ness, vocation, or employment while serving in
9 the capacity of Chairperson.

10 (B) PART-TIME SERVICE.—Members of the
11 Board who are not serving as the Chair-
12 person—

13 (i) shall serve on part-time basis, as
14 needed to perform the functions and re-
15 sponsibilities of the Board;

16 (ii) may engage in other business, vo-
17 cation, or employment so long as there is
18 no direct conflict of interest with their offi-
19 cial work responsibilities of Board; and

20 (iii) in the case of each individual who
21 is employee of a Federal agency, may be
22 assigned to serve on the Board without re-
23 imbursement to the Federal agency.

1 (8) COMPENSATION.—Non-Federal members of
2 the Board shall be compensated at the rate pre-
3 scribed for Level IV of the Executive Schedule.

4 (d) DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHAIR-
5 PERSON.—The Chairperson shall be responsible on behalf
6 of the Board for the executive and administrative oper-
7 ation of the Board.

8 (e) FUNCTIONS.—The Board shall—

9 (1) prescribe the form of cost reimbursement
10 agreements under section 504(c), offer such agree-
11 ments to agencies that have stewardship responsi-
12 bility, and execute such agreements on behalf of the
13 United States;

14 (2) evaluate the adequacy of the Trust Fund
15 and adjust the level of the assessment as authorized
16 under section 506(b);

17 (3) prescribe payment schedules for public
18 claims under section 507(b) and monitoring and re-
19 mediation standards under section 507(c)(1);

20 (4) determine, as provided in section 509, the
21 extent to which—

22 (A) public claims filed with the Board are
23 payable under section 505(a)(1) in accordance
24 with applicable payment schedules; and

1 (B) petitions to cover monitoring and re-
2 mediation costs incurred at storage facilities are
3 payable under section 505(a)(2).

4 (5) determine whether monitoring and remedi-
5 ation is required at a certified post-closure storage
6 facility prescribed under section 507(c);

7 (6) make payments under cost reimbursement
8 agreements (including payments for monitoring and
9 remediation costs) under section 504(c); and

10 (7) exercise such other authorities as may be
11 necessary or appropriate to carry out its functions
12 under the preceding paragraphs of this subsection or
13 other provisions of this title, including assignment of
14 employees from other Federal agencies, employment
15 of personnel, and entering into contracts.

16 (f) POWERS.—The Board has the authority to—

17 (1) prescribe, by rule or order, such require-
18 ments for monitoring certified post-closure storage
19 facilities and for making such inspections and re-
20 ports as may be necessary or appropriate to carry
21 out this title;

22 (2) enter onto the premises or property of any
23 storage facility to carry out this title;

1 (3) issue an order requiring a person to comply
2 with order, rule or requirement that the Board has
3 established under the Act;

4 (4) commence a civil action in the United
5 States District Court to recover from any project op-
6 erator any fees or assessments not paid when due,
7 after notice and an opportunity to cure any defi-
8 ciency within 30 days of such notice;

9 (5) bring an action against any person in the
10 United States District Court to enforce the provi-
11 sions of this title or rules or orders thereunder, and
12 to obtain appropriate injunctive or other relief; and

13 (6) seek civil or criminal penalties for violations
14 of provisions of this title, as provided under sub-
15 section (h).

16 (g) TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—

17 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Board shall estab-
18 lish an independent technical advisory committee
19 composed of 7 members, each of whom has dem-
20 onstrated knowledge and expertise with respect to
21 engineering, geological, or environmental matters re-
22 lated to the storage of carbon dioxide in suitable un-
23 derground formations.

24 (2) FUNCTION.—The committee established
25 under paragraph (1) shall provide information, rec-

1 ommendations and guidance to the Board on tech-
2 nical matters related to—

3 (A) the amount and duration of the assess-
4 ment that a project operator of a storage facil-
5 ity should pay under section 506(b) to cover fu-
6 ture anticipated payments from the Trust Fund
7 for the purposes described under section 507;

8 (B) the profile of reasonably foreseeable
9 risks that the Board must develop for each type
10 or class of geological formation under section
11 506(b)(4)(B);

12 (C) payment schedules for determining the
13 nature and amount of compensation that the
14 Board will pay from the Trust Fund for public
15 claims, as provided under section 507(b);

16 (D) standards for determining whether and
17 to the extent that monitoring and remediation
18 will be required for carbon dioxide injected at a
19 certified post-closure storage facility, as pro-
20 vided under section 507(c); and

21 (E) other determinations or actions that
22 the Board must perform to carry out its re-
23 sponsibilities and duties under this title.

24 (3) ADDITIONAL RESEARCH.—The committee
25 established under paragraph (1) shall advise the

1 Board as to additional research and technical stud-
2 ies that may be necessary to perform the functions
3 described under paragraph (2).

4 (h) PENALTIES.—

5 (1) CIVIL PENALTIES.—Any person that know-
6 ingly violates any provision of this title or any rule
7 or order thereunder shall be subject to a civil pen-
8 alty of \$10,000 per violation.

9 (2) CRIMINAL PENALTIES.—Any person that
10 knowingly and willfully violates any provision of this
11 title or any rule or order thereunder shall be subject
12 to a fine of \$50,000 or imprisonment for a term of
13 2 years, or both.

14 (i) PUBLIC COMMENT AND JUDICIAL REVIEW.—In
15 prescribing rules of general applicability under this title,
16 the Secretary and the Board shall provide an opportunity
17 for public notice and comment. Those rules shall be sub-
18 ject to review by the United States Courts of Appeal in
19 accordance with chapter 158 of title 28, United States
20 Code. All other agency actions under this title shall be re-
21 viewed in accordance with chapter 7 of title 5, United
22 States Code.

23 **SEC. 509. ADJUDICATION OF PUBLIC CLAIMS.**

24 (a) PUBLIC CLAIMS OFFICE.—

1 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established
2 within the Department of Energy an Office of Public
3 Claims, which shall be composed of administrative
4 law judges who are responsible for adjudicating pub-
5 lic claims filed with the Board under section 505(a).

6 (2) APPOINTMENT.—After the first storage fa-
7 cility receives a certificate of completion from the
8 appropriate regulatory authority, the Chairperson of
9 the Board shall begin to appoint as many adminis-
10 trative law judges as are necessary to adjudicate
11 public claims pending before the Board and may se-
12 lect for appointment qualified administrative law
13 judges who are contracted from the Department of
14 Energy or other Federal agencies.

15 (3) INDEPENDENCE FROM BOARD.—The ad-
16 ministrative law judges within the Office of Public
17 Claims shall establish and implement procedures to
18 ensure the separation and independence of the Office
19 of Public Claims from the Board.

20 (b) ADJUDICATORY PROCEDURES.—In adjudicating
21 each public claim or petition filed with the Board under
22 section 505(a), the administrative law judge shall—

23 (1) in the case of public claims made with re-
24 spect to certified post-closure storage facilities under
25 section 505(a)(1), apply the appropriate payment

1 schedules for compensation that the Board has es-
2 tablished under section 507(b);

3 (2) in the case of petitions for the reimburse-
4 ment of monitoring and remediation costs incurred
5 at storage facilities under section 505(a)(2), deter-
6 mine the reasonable costs for performing the appro-
7 priate standards established for monitoring and re-
8 mediation under section 507(c); and

9 (3) issue a decision that is determined on the
10 record after opportunity for an agency hearing in ac-
11 cordance with sections 554, 555, and 556 of title 5,
12 United States Code.

13 (c) APPEALS.—An aggrieved person or the Board
14 may file an appeal of a decision issued under subsection
15 (b) to the United States Court of Federal Claims. The
16 appeal of such a decision shall be—

17 (1) filed within 60 days after the date that the
18 decision was issued by the administrative law judge;
19 and

20 (2) reviewed in accordance with chapter 7 of
21 title 5, United States Code.

22 (d) FINAL ORDERS.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—A decision issued under sub-
24 section (b) shall become a final order of the Board
25 60 days after the issuance of the decision unless

1 within such 60-day period an aggrieved person or
2 the Board files an appeal of the decision under sub-
3 section (c).

4 (2) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—A decision for which
5 an appeal is not filed within the 60-day period pro-
6 vided under subsection (c) becomes a final order
7 that is not subject to judicial review by any court or
8 tribunal.

9 (e) BOARD ACTION.—The Board shall, as expedi-
10 tiously as practicable, make payment to each claimant and
11 perform other actions that may be required by a final
12 order issued under subsection (d).

13 **SEC. 510. FIRST MOVER PROJECTS.**

14 (a) PROJECT SELECTION.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall competi-
16 tively select 10 carbon capture and geological se-
17 questration projects as first mover projects in ac-
18 cordance with the criteria prescribed in paragraph
19 (2). Each first mover project selected under this
20 paragraph shall be indemnified from liabilities aris-
21 ing from the injection of carbon dioxide into the
22 storage facility in accordance with an agreement exe-
23 cuted under subsection (b).

24 (2) ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA.—A carbon capture
25 and geological sequestration project shall be eligible

1 for selection as a first mover project under para-
2 graph (1) if the project—

3 (A) demonstrates the commercial applica-
4 tion of an integrated system for the capture, in-
5 jection, monitoring, and long term geological
6 storage of carbon dioxide;

7 (B) injects at least 1,000,000 tons of car-
8 bon dioxide each year into a proposed geological
9 storage site that is capable of long-term storage
10 of the injected carbon dioxide, as provided
11 under paragraph (3);

12 (C) possesses the land or interests in land
13 necessary for the injection and storage of the
14 carbon dioxide at the geological storage site;

15 (D) obtains all necessary permits for the
16 injection of carbon dioxide into a suitable un-
17 derground formation and complies with the con-
18 ditions of any necessary permits that protect
19 health, environment and safety; and

20 (E) commits to maintain the financial pro-
21 tection for remediation and civil claims, as de-
22 scribed in subsection (b)(2).

23 (3) PHASED DEVELOPMENT OF PROJECT.—A
24 project may satisfy the annual carbon dioxide injec-

1 tion requirement of paragraph (2)(B) through a
2 phased development, so long as—

3 (A) the Secretary establishes a legally
4 binding schedule for the phase-in of the project;
5 and

6 (B) such schedule requires the project to
7 achieve an annual injection level of 1,000,000
8 tons by no later than January 1, 2020.

9 (b) INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENTS.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section
11 1341 of title 31, United States Code, but subject to
12 limitations in appropriation Acts, the Secretary shall
13 execute indemnification agreements for the 10 first
14 mover projects that the Secretary has selected under
15 subsection (a). Each agreement executed under this
16 paragraph shall indemnify owners and operators of
17 the first mover project for all or part of the costs
18 incurred to satisfy remediation and civil claims
19 (whenever made) that arise from injection of carbon
20 dioxide into a storage facility, as determined by the
21 Secretary in accordance with the requirements of
22 this section.

23 (2) SCOPE OF INDEMNIFICATION.—The owners
24 and operators of a first mover project shall maintain
25 financial protection in a form and in an amount ac-

1 ceptable to the Secretary. The indemnification au-
2 thorized under paragraph (1) shall apply to the costs
3 incurred for remediation and civil claims that are in
4 excess of the amount of liability covered by financial
5 protection maintained for the project under para-
6 graph (1).

7 (3) CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS.—The
8 Secretary may impose such conditions on indem-
9 nification agreements executed under paragraph (1)
10 as may be necessary or appropriate to protect the fi-
11 nancial interest of the United States, including a re-
12 quirement to limit the indemnification provided to
13 each first mover project under this section during
14 the stewardship period to the extent that the Sec-
15 retary determines that potential long-term liabilities
16 can be adequately addressed through the coverage
17 provided by the Trust Fund under other provisions
18 of this title.

19 (c) CONSOLIDATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL RE-
20 VIEWS.—In performing environmental reviews that may
21 apply to an indemnification agreement for a particular
22 first mover project under subsection (b), the Secretary
23 shall rely on prior environmental reviews that were per-
24 formed to assess other major Federal actions relating to
25 the development or operation of that first mover project

1 under 102 of the National Environmental Policy Act of
2 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332).

3 **SEC. 511. RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAW.**

4 (a) **PRIOR TO STEWARDSHIP PERIOD.**—This title
5 does not affect the application of any Federal or State
6 law to any storage facility for which a regulatory authority
7 has not issued certificate of completion.

8 (b) **DURING THE STEWARDSHIP PERIOD.**—This title
9 does not affect the application to the Trust Fund, the
10 Board or any stewardship agency of any Federal or State
11 environmental law with respect to the injection of carbon
12 dioxide at any certified post-closure facility.

13 (c) **STATE STEWARDSHIP LAWS.**—This title does not
14 affect the application of any State law related to geologic
15 sequestration trust funds that may apply to a storage fa-
16 cility during the operational or post-injection phase prior
17 to the stewardship period.

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