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To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish a grant program for construction of publicly owned treatment works in economically distressed rural communities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HAYES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Public Works and Transportation

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 “Rural Community
5 Clean Water Assistance Act of 1993”.

1 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENT TO FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CON-**
2 **TROL ACT.**

3 The Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.
4 1251–1387) is amended by adding at the end the follow-
5 ing:

6 **“TITLE VII—CONSTRUCTION**
7 **GRANT PROGRAM FOR**
8 **TREATMENT WORKS IN**
9 **RURAL COMMUNITIES**

10 **“SEC. 701. GRANTS.**

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator is authorized
12 to make grants to any State, municipality, or
13 intermunicipal or interstate agency for the construction of
14 publicly owned treatment works located in economically
15 distressed rural communities and for any purpose for
16 which a grant may be made under sections 319(h) and
17 319(i) of this Act (including innovative and alternative ap-
18 proaches for the control of nonpoint sources of pollution).

19 “(b) APPLICATION.—Any State, municipality, or
20 agency referred to in subsection (a) interested in receiving
21 a grant under this title shall submit to the Administrator
22 an application for such grant. Such application shall be
23 in such form and contain such information as the Admin-
24 istrator may require by regulation.

25 “(c) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—Grants made under
26 this title shall be subject to such terms and conditions as

1 the Administrator may require by regulation to carry out
2 the objectives of this title.

3 **“SEC. 702. FEDERAL SHARE.**

4 “The Federal share of any grant made under this
5 title shall be 90 percent of the cost of construction. The
6 non-Federal share of such costs shall be provided from
7 non-Federal sources of funding.

8 **“SEC. 703. ALLOTMENT.**

9 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Sums authorized to be appro-
10 priated for a fiscal year pursuant to section 704 shall be
11 allotted among the States for such fiscal year by the Ad-
12 ministrator not later than the 10th day which begins after
13 the date of the enactment of this title in the ratio which
14 the population in economically distressed rural commu-
15 nities of each State bears to the total population in eco-
16 nomically distressed rural communities of all the States.

17 “(b) PERIOD OF AVAILABILITY; REALLOTMENT.—
18 Sums allotted to the States for a fiscal year shall remain
19 available for obligation for the fiscal year for which au-
20 thorized and for the period of the next succeeding 12
21 months. The amount of any allotment not obligated by the
22 end of such 24-month period shall be immediately reallot-
23 ted by the Administrator on the basis of the same ratio
24 as applicable to sums allotted for the then current fiscal
25 year, except that none of the funds reallotted by the Ad-

1 administrator for a fiscal year shall be allotted to any State
2 which failed to obligate any of the funds being reallocated.
3 Any sum made available to a State by reallocation under
4 this subsection shall be in addition to any funds otherwise
5 allotted to such State for grants under this title during
6 any fiscal year.

7 **“SEC. 704. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

8 “There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out
9 this title \$300,000,000 per fiscal year for fiscal years
10 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, and 1999. Such sums
11 shall remain available until expended.

12 **“SEC. 705. DEFINITIONS.**

13 “In this title, the following definitions apply:

14 “(1) CONSTRUCTION.—The term ‘construction’
15 has the meaning such term has in section 212.

16 “(2) ECONOMICALLY DISTRESSED RURAL COM-
17 MUNITY.—The term ‘economically distressed rural
18 community’ means a rural community in which the
19 median household income of the residents of such
20 community is less than 75 percent of the national
21 median household income, as determined by the lat-
22 est decennial census of the United States.

23 “(3) RURAL COMMUNITY.—The term ‘rural
24 community’ means a political subdivision of a State

1 with a population of less than 20,000, as determined
2 by the latest decennial census of the United States.

3 “(4) TREATMENT WORKS.—The term ‘treat-
4 ment works’ has the meaning such term has in sec-
5 tion 212.”.

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