

ration contracts with individuals, partnerships, corporations, or other legal entities which shall provide for such Federal financial participation as he deems in the national interest. Such contracts shall contain terms and conditions as the Secretary deems necessary and appropriate, including terms and conditions for the repayment of the Federal funds made available under any contract together with interest thereon, as a royalty on the value of the production from the area described in the contract. Interest shall be calculated from the date of the loan. Such interest shall be at rates which (1) are not less than the rates of interest which the Secretary of the Treasury shall determine the Department of the Interior would have to pay if it borrowed such funds from the Treasury of the United States, taking into consideration current average yields on outstanding marketable obligations of the United States with maturities comparable to the terms of the particular contracts involved and (2) plus 2 per centum per annum in lieu of recovering the cost of administering the particular contracts.

(b) Deposit of royalty payments

Royalty payments received under subsection (a) of this section shall be covered into the miscellaneous receipts of the Treasury.

(c) Certification of exploration projects; payment of royalties; time limitation on payment; royalty agreements

When in the opinion of the Secretary an analysis and evaluation of the results of the exploration project disclose that mineral production from the area covered by the contract may be possible he shall so certify within the time specified in the contract. Upon certification, payment of royalties shall be a charge against production for the full period specified in the contract or until the obligation has been discharged, but in no event shall such royalty payments continue for a period of more than twenty-five years from the date of contract. When the Secretary determines not to certify he shall promptly notify the contractor. When the Secretary deems it necessary and in the public interest, he may enter into royalty agreements to provide for royalty payments in the same manner as though the project had been certified.

(d) Production

No provision of this chapter, nor any rule or regulation which may be issued by the Secretary shall be construed to require any production from the area described in the contract.

(e) Rules and regulations; adjustment of contracts

The Secretary shall establish and promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter: *Provided, however,* That he may modify and adjust the terms and conditions of any contract to reduce the amount and term of any royalty payment when he shall determine that such action is necessary and in the public interest: *Provided further,* That no such single contract shall authorize Government participation in excess of \$250,000.

(f) Availability of funds

No funds shall be made available under this chapter unless the applicant shall furnish evidence that funds from commercial sources are unavailable on reasonable terms.

(Pub. L. 85-701, § 2, Aug. 21, 1958, 72 Stat. 700.)

§ 643. "Exploration" defined

As used in this chapter, the term "exploration" means the search for new or unexplored deposits of minerals, including related development work, within the United States, its Territories and possessions, whether conducted from the surface or underground, using recognized and sound procedures including standard geophysical and geochemical methods for obtaining mineralogical and geological information.

(Pub. L. 85-701, § 3, Aug. 21, 1958, 72 Stat. 701.)

§ 644. Advice and assistance by Government departments and agencies; expenditure of funds

Departments and agencies of the Government are authorized to advise and assist the Secretary of the Interior, upon his request, in carrying out the provisions of this chapter and may expend their funds for such purposes, with or without reimbursement, in accordance with such agreements as may be necessary.

(Pub. L. 85-701, § 4, Aug. 21, 1958, 72 Stat. 701.)

§ 645. Repealed. Pub. L. 93-608, § 1(13), Jan. 2, 1975, 88 Stat. 1969

Section, Pub. L. 85-701, § 5, Aug. 21, 1958, 72 Stat. 701; Pub. L. 89-348, § 2(5), Nov. 8, 1965, 79 Stat. 1312, required Secretary of the Interior to report to Congress on operations of programs authorized pursuant to this chapter.

§ 646. Authorization of appropriations

There are hereby authorized to be appropriated, from any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 85-701, § 6, Aug. 21, 1958, 72 Stat. 701.)

CHAPTER 18—COAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Sec.

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§ 661. Short title; definitions

(a) This chapter may be cited as the "Coal Research and Development Act of 1960".

(b) In this chapter:

(1) The term "research" means scientific, technical, and economic research and the practical application of that research.

(2) The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of Energy.

(Pub. L. 86-599, §1, as added Pub. L. 109-58, title X, §1009(a)(1)(A), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 934.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 661, Pub. L. 86-599, §1, July 7, 1960, 74 Stat. 336, defined terms for purposes of this chapter, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 109-58, title X, §1009(a)(1)(A), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 934.

§ 662. Powers and duties of Secretary

The Secretary shall—

(1) develop through research, new and more efficient methods of mining, preparing, and utilizing coal;

(2) contract for, sponsor, cosponsor, and promote the coordination of, research with recognized interested groups, including but not limited to, coal trade associations, coal research associations, educational institutions, and agencies of States and political subdivisions of States;

(3) establish technical advisory committees composed of recognized experts in various aspects of coal research to assist in the examination and evaluation of research progress and of all research proposals and contracts and to insure the avoidance of duplication of research; and

(4) cooperate to the fullest extent possible with other departments, agencies, and independent establishments of the Federal Government and with State governments, and with all other interested agencies, governmental and nongovernmental.

(Pub. L. 86-599, §2, July 7, 1960, 74 Stat. 336; Pub. L. 109-58, title X, §1009(a)(1)(B), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 934.)

AMENDMENTS

2005—Pub. L. 109-58 struck out “shall establish within the Department of the Interior an Office of Coal Research, and through such Office” after “The Secretary” in introductory provisions.

TERMINATION OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Advisory committees in existence on Jan. 5, 1973, to terminate not later than the expiration of the 2-year period following Jan. 5, 1973, unless, in the case of a committee established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such committee is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a committee established by the Congress, its duration is otherwise provided by law. Advisory committees established after Jan. 5, 1973, to terminate not later than the expiration of the 2-year period beginning on the date of their establishment, unless, in the case of a committee established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such committee is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a committee established by the Congress, its duration is otherwise provided by law. See section 14 of Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 776, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

§§ 663, 664. Repealed. Pub. L. 109-58, title X, §1009(a)(1)(C), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 934

Section 663, Pub. L. 86-599, §3, July 7, 1960, 74 Stat. 336, related to advisory committees appointed under provisions of chapter.

Section 664, Pub. L. 86-599, §4 (part), July 7, 1960, 74 Stat. 336, related to appointment of Director of Coal Research.

§ 665. Sites for conducting research; availability of personnel and facilities

Research authorized by this chapter may be conducted wherever suitable personnel and facilities are available.

(Pub. L. 86-599, §3, formerly §5, July 7, 1960, 74 Stat. 337; renumbered §3, Pub. L. 109-58, title X, §1009(a)(1)(D), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 934.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 3 of Pub. L. 86-599 was classified to section 663 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 109-58, §1009(a)(1)(C).

§ 666. Public-availability requirement; national defense; patent agreements

No research shall be carried out, contracted for, sponsored, cosponsored, or authorized under authority of this chapter, unless all information, uses, products, processes, patents, and other developments resulting from such research will (with such exceptions and limitations, if any, as the Secretary may find to be necessary in the interest of national defense) be available to the general public. Whenever in the estimation of the Secretary the purposes of this chapter would be furthered through the use of patented processes or equipment, the Secretary is authorized to enter into such agreements as he deems necessary for the acquisition or use of such patents on reasonable terms and conditions.

(Pub. L. 86-599, §4, formerly §6, July 7, 1960, 74 Stat. 337; renumbered §4, Pub. L. 109-58, title X, §1009(a)(1)(D), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 934.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 4 of Pub. L. 86-599 was classified to section 664 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 109-58, §1009(a)(1)(C).

§ 667. Repealed. Pub. L. 109-58, title X, §1009(a)(1)(C), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 934

Section, Pub. L. 86-599, §7, July 7, 1960, 74 Stat. 337, related to reports to President and Congress.

§ 668. Authorization of appropriations

(a) Fiscal year beginning July 1, 1960

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to remain available until expended, not to exceed \$2,000,000 to be used to carry out the purposes of this chapter for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1960.

(b) Fiscal years beginning after June 30, 1961

There are hereby authorized to be appropriated for each fiscal year beginning after June 30, 1961, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(c) Availability of sums

Sums appropriated to carry out the purposes of this chapter shall remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 86-599, §5, formerly §8, July 7, 1960, 74 Stat. 337; renumbered §5, Pub. L. 109-58, title X, §1009(a)(1)(D), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 934.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 5 of Pub. L. 86-599 was renumbered section 3 and is classified to section 665 of this title.

**CHAPTER 19—LEAD AND ZINC
STABILIZATION PROGRAM**

§§ 681 to 689. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section 681, Pub. L. 87-347, §1, Oct. 3, 1961, 75 Stat. 766, stated purpose of this chapter as establishment and maintenance of a program of stabilization payments (which terminated December 31, 1969) to small domestic producers of lead and zinc ores and concentrates in order to stabilize the mining of lead and zinc by such producers. See note for section 687 below.

Section 682, Pub. L. 87-347, §2, Oct. 3, 1961, 75 Stat. 766; Pub. L. 89-238, §1(1), Oct. 5, 1965, 79 Stat. 925, provided for stabilization payments (which terminated December 31, 1969) and conditions and limitations of payments. See note for section 687 below.

Section 683, Pub. L. 87-347, §3, Oct. 3, 1961, 75 Stat. 767; Pub. L. 89-238, §1(2), Oct. 5, 1965, 79 Stat. 925, provided for additional limitations on payments which terminated on December 31, 1969. See note for section 687 below.

Section 684, Pub. L. 87-347, §4, Oct. 3, 1961, 75 Stat. 767, authorized Secretary to promulgate such regulations and require such reports as deemed necessary to carry out program of stabilization payments (which terminated December 31, 1969) under this chapter. See note for section 687 below.

Section 685, Pub. L. 87-347, §5, Oct. 3, 1961, 75 Stat. 768, authorized Secretary to delegate functions relating to stabilization payments (which terminated December 31, 1969) under this chapter to Administrator of General Services. See note for section 687 below.

Section 686, Pub. L. 87-347, §6, Oct. 3, 1961, 75 Stat. 768; Pub. L. 88-75, July 25, 1963, 77 Stat. 92; Pub. L. 89-238, §1(3), Oct. 5, 1965, 79 Stat. 925, defined terms as used in this chapter relating to stabilization payments which terminated December 31, 1969. See note for section 687 below.

Section 687, Pub. L. 87-347, §7, Oct. 3, 1961, 75 Stat. 768; Pub. L. 89-238, §1(4), Oct. 5, 1965, 79 Stat. 925, provided that no payment be made under this chapter after Dec. 31, 1969, but permitted authorized payment only if application therefor was filed not later than Mar. 31, 1970.

Section 688, Pub. L. 87-347, §8, Oct. 3, 1961, 75 Stat. 768, required annual reports to Congress on operations relating to stabilization payments (which terminated December 31, 1969) under this chapter not later than first day of March each year. See note for section 687 above.

Section 689, Pub. L. 87-347, §9, Oct. 3, 1961, 75 Stat. 768; Pub. L. 89-238, §1(5), Oct. 5, 1965, 79 Stat. 925, related to penalties for procuring a stabilization payment (which terminated December 31, 1969) not entitled to under this chapter and civil and criminal liability for keeping a payment not entitled to under this chapter. See note for section 687 above.

**CHAPTER 20—CONVEYANCES TO OCCU-
PANTS OF UNPATENTED MINING CLAIMS**

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§ 701. Authorization to convey; acreage limitations; qualified applicants; payment; "qualified officer of the United States" defined

The Secretary of the Interior may convey to any occupant of an unpatented mining claim which is determined by the Secretary to be invalid an interest, up to and including a fee simple, in and to an area within the claim of not more than (a) five acres or (b) the acreage actually occupied by him, whichever is less. The Secretary may make a like conveyance to any occupant of an unpatented mining claim who, after notice from a qualified officer of the United States that the claim is believed to be invalid, relinquishes to the United States all rights in and to such claim which he may have under the mining laws. Any conveyance authorized by this section, however, shall be made only to a qualified applicant, as that term is defined in section 702 of this title, who applies therefor within the period ending June 30, 1971, and upon payment of an amount established in accordance with section 705 of this title.

As used in this section, the term "qualified officer of the United States" means the Secretary of the Interior or an employee of the Department of the Interior so designated by him: *Provided*, That the Secretary may delegate his authority to designate qualified officers to the head of any other department or agency of the United States with respect to lands within the administrative jurisdiction of that department or agency.

(Pub. L. 87-851, §1, Oct. 23, 1962, 76 Stat. 1127; Pub. L. 90-111, §1, Oct. 23, 1967, 81 Stat. 311.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The mining laws, referred to in text, are classified generally to this title.

AMENDMENTS

1967—Pub. L. 90-111 extended from Oct. 23, 1967, to June 30, 1971, the period in which qualified individuals shall apply for conveyances authorized by this section.

§ 702. "Qualified applicant" defined

For the purposes of this chapter a qualified applicant is a residential occupant-owner, as of October 23, 1962, of valuable improvements in an unpatented mining claim which constitute for him a principal place of residence and which he and his predecessors in interest were in possession of for not less than seven years prior to July 23, 1962.

(Pub. L. 87-851, §2, Oct. 23, 1962, 76 Stat. 1127.)

§ 703. Withdrawal of lands in aid of a governmental unit

Where the lands for which application is made under section 701 of this title have been withdrawn in aid of a function of a Federal department or agency other than the Department of the Interior, or of a State, county, municipality, water district, or other local governmental subdivision or agency, the Secretary of the Interior may convey an interest therein only with the consent of the head of the governmental unit concerned and under such terms and conditions as said head may deem necessary.