

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-

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OFFERED BY MR. MCKINLEY OF WEST VIRGINIA

Page 894, after line 15, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 12607. APPALACHIAN REGIONAL ENERGY HUB.**

2 (a) APPALACHIAN REGIONAL ENERGY HUB INITIA-
3 TIVE.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter I of chapter 145
5 of subtitle IV of title 40, United States Code, is
6 amended by adding at the end the following:

7 **“§ 14511. Appalachian regional energy hub initiative**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Appalachian Regional Com-
9 mission may provide technical assistance to, make grants
10 to, enter into contracts with, or otherwise provide amounts
11 to individuals or entities in the Appalachian region for
12 projects and activities—

13 “(1) to conduct research and analysis regarding
14 the economic impact of an ethane storage hub in the
15 Appalachian region that supports a more-effective
16 energy market performance due to the scale of the
17 project, such as a project with the capacity to store
18 and distribute more than 100,000 barrels per day of

1 hydrocarbon feedstock with a minimum gross heat-
2 ing value of 1,700 Btu per standard cubic foot;

3 “(2) with the potential to significantly con-
4 tribute to the economic resilience of the area in
5 which the project is located; and

6 “(3) that will help establish a regional energy
7 hub in the Appalachian region for natural gas and
8 natural gas liquids, including storage and associated
9 pipelines.

10 “(b) LIMITATION ON AVAILABLE AMOUNTS.—Of the
11 cost of any activity eligible for a grant under this sec-
12 tion—

13 “(1) not more than 50 percent may be provided
14 from amounts made available to carry out this sec-
15 tion;

16 “(2) in the case of a project to be carried out
17 in a county for which a distressed county designa-
18 tion is in effect under section 14526, not more than
19 80 percent may be provided from amounts made
20 available to carry out this section; and

21 “(3) in the case of a project to be carried out
22 in a county for which an at-risk county designation
23 is in effect under section 14526, not more than 70
24 percent may be provided from amounts made avail-
25 able to carry out this section.

1 “(c) SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE.—Subject to sub-
2 section (b), a grant provided under this section may be
3 provided from amounts made available to carry out this
4 section, in combination with amounts made available—

5 “(1) under any other Federal program; or

6 “(2) from any other source.

7 “(d) FEDERAL SHARE.—Notwithstanding any provi-
8 sion of law limiting the Federal share under any other
9 Federal program, amounts made available to carry out
10 this section may be used to increase that Federal share,
11 as the Appalachian Regional Commission determines to be
12 appropriate.”.

13 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for
14 subchapter I of chapter 145 of title 40, United
15 States Code, is amended by inserting after the item
16 relating to section 14510 the following:

“14511. Appalachian regional energy hub initiative.”.

17 (b) AUTHORIZATIONS.—Section 14703 of title 40,
18 United States Code, is amended—

19 (1) in subsection (a)—

20 (A) in paragraph (4) by striking “and” at
21 the end;

22 (B) in paragraph (5) by striking the period
23 and inserting “; and”; and

24 (C) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(6) \$180,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021
2 through 2025.”;

3 (2) in subsection (c)—

4 (A) by striking “\$10,000,000” and insert-
5 ing “\$20,000,000”; and

6 (B) by striking “2020” and inserting
7 “2025”;

8 (3) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as
9 subsections (e) and (f), respectively; and

10 (4) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
11 lowing:

12 “(d) APPALACHIAN REGIONAL ENERGY HUB INITIA-
13 TIVE.—Of the amounts made available under subsection
14 (a), \$5,000,000 shall be used to carry out section 14511
15 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2025.”.

16 (c) TERMINATION.—Section 14704 of title 40, United
17 States Code, is amended by striking “2020” and inserting
18 “2025”.

