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In section 2009, redesignate subsection (f) as subsection (g).

In section 2009, insert after subsection (e) the following:

(f) ZERO EMISSION BUS RESEARCH PROGRAM.—

Section 5312, as amended by subsection (e), is further amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(e) ZERO EMISSION BUS RESEARCH PROGRAM.—

“(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish a national zero emission bus technology development program (in this subsection referred to as the ‘program’) to facilitate the development of commercially viable zero emission bus technology and related infrastructure.

“(2) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may enter into grants, contracts, or cooperative agreement with not more than three geographically diverse nonprofit organizations to conduct zero emis-
sion bus technology and infrastructure projects under the program.

“(3) GRANT CRITERIA.—In selecting applicants for grants under the program, the Secretary shall consider the following:

“(A) The applicant’s ability to contribute significantly to furthering zero emission bus technology as such relates to transit bus operations.

“(B) The applicant’s financial plan and cost share potential.

“(C) The applicant’s technology to ensure that the program advances different technologies that may be viable for public transportation systems.

“(D) Any other criteria the Secretary determines are necessary to carry out the program.

“(4) COMPETITIVE GRANT SELECTION.—The Secretary shall conduct a national solicitation for applications for grants under the program. Grant recipients shall be selected on a competitive basis. The Secretary shall give priority consideration to applicants that have successfully managed advanced transportation technology projects, including projects
related to hydrogen and zero emission public transportation operations for a period of not less than five years.

“(5) Federal share.—The Federal share of the cost of a project under the grant program shall not exceed 50 percent of such cost.

“(6) Grant requirements.—A grant made under this subsection shall be subject to the following:

“(A) All terms and conditions applicable to a grant made under section 5309 of title 49, United States Code.

“(B) Such other terms and conditions as are determined by the Secretary.”.

In section 2022, strike subsection (q).