

COMMITTEE PRINT

Budget Reconciliation Legislative Recommendations for Subtitle E Relating to Pathways to Health Careers

1 **PART 1—PROVISIONS RELATING TO PATHWAYS**
2 **TO HEALTH CAREERS**

3 **SEC. 134101. PATHWAYS TO HEALTH CAREERS ACT.**

4 (a) **TRANSITION FUNDING.**—There is appropriated,
5 out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appro-
6 priated, \$15,000,000 to the Secretary of Health and
7 Human Services to provide technical assistance and cover
8 administrative costs associated with implementing section
9 2071 of the Social Security Act (as added by subsection
10 (b)).

11 (b) **CAREER PATHWAYS THROUGH HEALTH PROFES-**
12 **SION OPPORTUNITY GRANTS.**—Effective October 1, 2021,
13 title XX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397-
14 1397n–13) is amended by adding at the end the following:

15 **“Subtitle D—Career Pathways**
16 **Through Health Profession Op-**
17 **portunity Grants**

18 **“SEC. 2071. CAREER PATHWAYS THROUGH HEALTH PRO-**
19 **FESSION OPPORTUNITY GRANTS.**

20 “(a) **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS.**—An eligible en-
21 tity desiring a grant under this section for a project shall

1 submit to the Secretary an application for the grant, that
2 includes the following:

3 “(1) A description of how the applicant will use
4 a career pathways approach to train eligible individ-
5 uals for health professions that pay well or will put
6 eligible individuals on a career path to an occupation
7 that pays well, under the project.

8 “(2) A description of the adult basic education
9 and literacy activities, work readiness activities,
10 training activities, and case management and career
11 coaching services that the applicant will use to assist
12 eligible individuals to gain work experience, connec-
13 tion to employers, and job placement, and a descrip-
14 tion of the plan for recruiting, hiring, and training
15 staff to provide the case management, mentoring,
16 and career coaching services, under the project di-
17 rectly or through local governmental, apprenticeship,
18 educational, or charitable institutions.

19 “(3) In the case of an application for a grant
20 under this section for a demonstration project de-
21 scribed in subsection (c)(2)(B)(i)(I)—

22 “(A) a demonstration that the State in
23 which the demonstration project is to be con-
24 ducted has in effect policies or laws that permit
25 certain allied health and behavioral health care

1 credentials to be awarded to people with certain
2 arrest or conviction records (which policies or
3 laws shall include appeals processes, waivers,
4 certificates, and other opportunities to dem-
5 onstrate rehabilitation to obtain credentials, li-
6 censure, and approval to work in the proposed
7 health careers), and a plan described in the ap-
8 plication that will use a career pathway to as-
9 sist participants with such a record in acquiring
10 credentials, licensing, and employment in the
11 specified careers;

12 “(B) a discussion of how the project or fu-
13 ture strategic hiring decisions will demonstrate
14 the experience and expertise of the project in
15 working with job seekers who have arrest or
16 conviction records or employers with experience
17 working with people with arrest or conviction
18 records;

19 “(C) an identification of promising innova-
20 tions or best practices that can be used to pro-
21 vide the training;

22 “(D) a proof of concept or demonstration
23 that the applicant has done sufficient research
24 on workforce shortage or in-demand jobs for

1 which people with certain types of arrest or
2 conviction records can be hired;

3 “(E) a plan for recruiting students who
4 are eligible individuals into the project; and

5 “(F) a plan for providing post-employment
6 support and ongoing training as part of a ca-
7 reer pathway under the project.

8 “(4) In the case of an application for a grant
9 under this section for a demonstration project de-
10 scribed in subsection (c)(2)(B)(i)(II)—

11 “(A) a description of the partnerships,
12 strategic staff hiring decisions, tailored program
13 activities, or other programmatic elements of
14 the project, such as training plans for doulas
15 and other community health workers and train-
16 ing plans for midwives and other allied health
17 professions, that are designed to support a ca-
18 reer pathway in pregnancy, birth, or post-
19 partum services; and

20 “(B) a demonstration that the State in
21 which the demonstration project is to be con-
22 ducted recognizes doulas or midwives, as the
23 case may be.

24 “(5) A demonstration that the applicant has ex-
25 perience working with low-income populations, or a

1 description of the plan of the applicant to work with
2 a partner organization that has the experience.

3 “(6) A plan for providing post-employment sup-
4 port and ongoing training as part of a career path-
5 way under the project.

6 “(7) A description of the support services that
7 the applicant will provide under the project, includ-
8 ing a plan for how child care and transportation
9 support services will be guaranteed and, if the appli-
10 cant will provide a cash stipend or wage supplement,
11 how the stipend or supplement would be calculated
12 and distributed.

13 “(8) A certification by the applicant that the
14 project development included—

15 “(A) consultation with a local workforce
16 development board established under section
17 107 of the Workforce Innovation and Oppor-
18 tunity Act;

19 “(B) consideration of apprenticeship and
20 pre-apprenticeship models registered under the
21 Act of August 16, 1937 (also known as the
22 ‘National Apprenticeship Act’);

23 “(C) consideration of career pathway pro-
24 grams in the State in which the project is to be
25 conducted; and

1 “(D) a review of the State plan under sec-
2 tion 102 or 103 of the Workforce Innovation
3 and Opportunity Act.

4 “(9) A description of the availability and rel-
5 evance of recent labor market information and other
6 pertinent evidence of in-demand jobs or worker
7 shortages.

8 “(10) A certification that the applicant will di-
9 rectly provide or contract for the training services
10 described in the application.

11 “(11) A commitment by the applicant that, if
12 the grant is made to the applicant, the applicant
13 will—

14 “(A) during the planning period for the
15 project, provide the Secretary with any informa-
16 tion needed by the Secretary to establish ade-
17 quate data reporting and administrative struc-
18 ture for the project;

19 “(B) hire a person to direct the project not
20 later than the end of the planning period appli-
21 cable to the project;

22 “(C) accept all technical assistance offered
23 by the Secretary with respect to the grant;

1 “(D) participate in peer technical assist-
2 ance conferences as are regularly scheduled by
3 the Secretary; and

4 “(E) provide all data required by the Sec-
5 retary under subsection (g).

6 “(b) PREFERENCES IN CONSIDERING APPLICA-
7 TIONS.—In considering applications for a grant under this
8 section, the Secretary shall give preference to—

9 “(1) applications submitted by applicants to
10 whom a grant was made under this section or any
11 predecessor to this section;

12 “(2) applications submitted by applicants who
13 have business and community partners in each of
14 the following categories:

15 “(A) State and local government agencies
16 and social service providers, including a State
17 or local entity that administers a State program
18 funded under part A of this title;

19 “(B) institutions of higher education, ap-
20 prenticeship programs, and local workforce de-
21 velopment boards established under section 107
22 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity
23 Act; and

1 “(C) health care employers, health care in-
2 dustry or sector partnerships, labor unions, and
3 labor-management partnerships;

4 “(3) applications that include opportunities for
5 mentoring or peer support, and make career coach-
6 ing available, as part of the case management plan;

7 “(4) applications which describe a project that
8 will serve a rural area in which—

9 “(A) the community in which the individ-
10 uals to be enrolled in the project reside is lo-
11 cated;

12 “(B) the project will be conducted; or

13 “(C) an employer partnership that has
14 committed to hiring individuals who successfully
15 complete all activities under the project is lo-
16 cated;

17 “(5) applications that include a commitment to
18 providing project participants with a cash stipend or
19 wage supplement; and

20 “(6) applications which have an emergency cash
21 fund to assist project participants financially in
22 emergency situations.

23 “(c) GRANTS.—

24 “(1) COMPETITIVE GRANTS.—

25 “(A) GRANT AUTHORITY.—

1 “(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary
2 may make a grant in accordance with this
3 paragraph to an eligible entity whose appli-
4 cation for the grant is approved by the
5 Secretary, to conduct a project designed to
6 train low-income individuals for allied
7 health professions, health information tech-
8 nology, physicians assistants, nursing as-
9 sistants, registered nurse, advanced prac-
10 tice nurse, and other professions consid-
11 ered part of a health care career pathway
12 model.

13 “(ii) GUARANTEE OF GRANTEES IN
14 EACH STATE AND THE DISTRICT OF CO-
15 LUMBIA.—For each grant cycle, the Sec-
16 retary shall award a grant under this para-
17 graph to at least 2 eligible entities in each
18 State that is not a territory, to the extent
19 there are a sufficient number of applica-
20 tions submitted by the entities that meet
21 the requirements applicable with respect to
22 such a grant. If, for a grant cycle, there
23 are fewer than 2 such eligible entities in a
24 State, the Secretary shall include that in-

1 formation in the report required by sub-
2 section (g)(2) that covers the fiscal year.

3 “(B) GUARANTEE OF GRANTS FOR INDIAN
4 POPULATIONS.—From the amount reserved
5 under subsection (i)(2)(B) for each fiscal year,
6 the Secretary shall award a grant under this
7 paragraph to at least 10 eligible entities that
8 are an Indian tribe, a tribal organization, or a
9 tribal college or university, to the extent there
10 are a sufficient number of applications sub-
11 mitted by the entities that meet the require-
12 ments applicable with respect to such a grant.

13 “(C) GUARANTEE OF GRANTEEES IN THE
14 TERRITORIES.—From the amount reserved
15 under subsection (i)(2)(C) for each fiscal year,
16 the Secretary shall award a grant under this
17 paragraph to at least 2 eligible entities that are
18 located in a territory, to the extent there are a
19 sufficient number of applications submitted by
20 the entities that meet the requirements applica-
21 ble with respect to such a grant.

22 “(2) GRANTS FOR DEMONSTRATION
23 PROJECTS.—

24 “(A) GRANT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary
25 shall make a grant in accordance with this sub-

1 section to an eligible entity whose application
2 for the grant is approved by the Secretary, to
3 conduct a demonstration project that meets the
4 requirements of subparagraph (B).

5 “(B) REQUIREMENTS.—The requirements
6 of this subparagraph are the following:

7 “(i) TYPE OF PROJECT.—The dem-
8 onstration project shall be of 1 of the fol-
9 lowing types:

10 “(I) INDIVIDUALS WITH ARREST
11 OR CONVICTION RECORDS DEM-
12 ONSTRATION.—The demonstration
13 project shall be of a type designed to
14 provide education and training for eli-
15 gible individuals with arrest or convic-
16 tion records to enter and follow a ca-
17 reer pathway in the health professions
18 through occupations that pay well and
19 are expected to experience a labor
20 shortage or be in high demand.

21 “(II) PREGNANCY AND CHILD-
22 BIRTH CAREER PATHWAY DEM-
23 ONSTRATION.—The demonstration
24 project shall be of a type designed to
25 provide education and training for eli-

1 gible individuals to enter and follow a
2 career pathway in the field of preg-
3 nancy, childbirth, post-partum, or
4 childbirth and post-partum, in a State
5 that recognizes doulas or midwives
6 and that provides payment for serv-
7 ices provided by doulas or midwives,
8 as the case may be, under private or
9 public health insurance plans.

10 “(ii) DURATION.—The demonstration
11 project shall be conducted for not less than
12 5 years.

13 “(C) MINIMUM ALLOCATION OF FUNDS
14 FOR EACH TYPE OF DEMONSTRATION
15 PROJECT.—

16 “(i) INDIVIDUALS WITH ARREST OR
17 CONVICTION RECORDS DEMONSTRA-
18 TIONS.—Not less than \$6,375,000 of the
19 amounts made available for grants under
20 this paragraph shall be used to make
21 grants for demonstration projects of the
22 type described in subparagraph (B)(i)(I).

23 “(ii) PREGNANCY AND CHILDBIRTH
24 CAREER PATHWAY DEMONSTRATIONS.—
25 Not less than \$6,375,000 of the amounts

1 made available for grants under this para-
2 graph shall be used to make grants for
3 demonstration projects of the type de-
4 scribed in subparagraph (B)(i)(II).

5 “(3) GRANT CYCLE.—The grant cycle under
6 this section shall be not less than 5 years, with a
7 planning period of not more than the 1st 12 months
8 of the grant cycle. During the planning period, the
9 amount of the grant shall be in such lesser amount
10 as the Secretary determines appropriate.

11 “(d) USE OF GRANT.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An entity to which a grant
13 is made under this section shall use the grant in ac-
14 cordance with the approved application for the
15 grant.

16 “(2) SUPPORT TO BE PROVIDED.—

17 “(A) REQUIRED SUPPORT.—A project for
18 which a grant is made under this section shall
19 include the following:

20 “(i) An assessment for adult basic
21 skill competency, and provision of adult
22 basic skills education if necessary for
23 lower-skilled eligible individuals to enroll in
24 the project and go on to enter and com-

1 plete post-secondary training, through
2 means including the following:

3 “(I) Establishing a network of
4 partners that offer pre-training activi-
5 ties for project participants who need
6 to improve basic academic skills or
7 English language proficiency before
8 entering a health occupational train-
9 ing career pathway program.

10 “(II) Offering resources to enable
11 project participants to continue ad-
12 vancing adult basic skill proficiency
13 while enrolled in a career pathway
14 program.

15 “(III) Embedding adult basic
16 skill maintenance as part of ongoing
17 post-graduation career coaching and
18 mentoring.

19 “(ii) A guarantee that child care is an
20 available and affordable support service for
21 project participants through means such as
22 the following:

23 “(I) Referral to, and assistance
24 with, enrollment in a subsidized child
25 care program.

1 “(II) Direct payment to a child
2 care provider if a slot in a subsidized
3 child care program is not available or
4 reasonably accessible.

5 “(III) Payment of co-payments
6 or associated fees for child care.

7 “(iii) Case management plans that in-
8 clude career coaching (with the option to
9 offer appropriate peer support and men-
10 toring opportunities to help develop soft
11 skills and social capital), which may be of-
12 fered on an ongoing basis before, during,
13 and after initial training as part of a ca-
14 reer pathway model.

15 “(iv) A plan to provide project partici-
16 pants with transportation through means
17 such as the following:

18 “(I) Referral to, and assistance
19 with enrollment in, a subsidized trans-
20 portation program.

21 “(II) If a subsidized transpor-
22 tation program is not reasonably
23 available, direct payments to subsidize
24 transportation costs.

1 For purposes of this clause, the term
2 ‘transportation’ includes public transit, or
3 gasoline for a personal vehicle if public
4 transit is not reasonably accessible or
5 available.

6 “(v) In the case of a demonstration
7 project of the type described in subsection
8 (c)(2)(B)(i)(I), access to legal assistance
9 for project participants for the purpose of
10 addressing arrest or conviction records and
11 associated workforce barriers.

12 “(B) ALLOWED SUPPORT.—The goods and
13 services provided under a project for which a
14 grant is made under this section may include
15 the following:

16 “(i) A cash stipend.

17 “(ii) A reserve fund for financial as-
18 sistance to project participants in emer-
19 gency situations.

20 “(iii) Tuition, and training materials
21 such as books, software, uniforms, shoes,
22 and hair nets, and personal protective
23 equipment.

1 “(iv) In-kind resource donations such
2 as interview clothing and conference at-
3 tendance fees.

4 “(v) Assistance with accessing and
5 completing high school equivalency or adult
6 basic education courses as necessary to
7 achieve success in the project and make
8 progress toward career goals.

9 “(vi) Assistance with programs and
10 activities, including legal assistance,
11 deemed necessary to address arrest or con-
12 viction records as an employment barrier.

13 “(vii) Other support services as
14 deemed necessary for family well-being,
15 success in the project, and progress toward
16 career goals.

17 “(3) TRAINING.—The number of hours of train-
18 ing provided to an eligible individual under a project
19 for which a grant is made under this section, for a
20 recognized postsecondary credential (including an in-
21 dustry-recognized credential, and a certificate
22 awarded by a local workforce development board es-
23 tablished under section 107 of the Workforce Inno-
24 vation and Opportunity Act), which is awarded in
25 recognition of attainment of measurable technical or

1 occupational skills necessary to gain employment or
2 advance within an occupation, shall be—

3 “(A) not less than the number of hours of
4 training required for certification in that level
5 of skill by the State in which the project is con-
6 ducted; or

7 “(B) if there is no such requirement, such
8 number of hours of training as the Secretary
9 finds is necessary to achieve that skill level.

10 “(4) INCLUSION OF TANF RECIPIENTS.—In the
11 case of a project for which a grant is made under
12 this section that is conducted in a State that has a
13 program funded under part A of title IV, at least 10
14 percent of the eligible individuals to whom support
15 is provided under the project shall meet the income
16 eligibility requirements under that State program,
17 without regard to whether the individuals receive
18 benefits or services directly under that State pro-
19 gram.

20 “(5) INCOME LIMITATION.—An entity to which
21 a grant is made under this section shall not use the
22 grant to provide support to a person who is not an
23 eligible individual.

24 “(6) PROHIBITION.—An entity to which a grant
25 is made under this section shall not use the grant

1 for purposes of entertainment, except that case man-
2 agement and career coaching services may include
3 celebrations of specific career-based milestones such
4 as completing a semester, graduation, or job place-
5 ment.

6 “(e) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall provide
8 technical assistance—

9 “(A) to assist eligible entities in applying
10 for grants under this section;

11 “(B) that is tailored to meet the needs of
12 grantees at each stage of the administration of
13 projects for which grants are made under this
14 section;

15 “(C) that is tailored to meet the specific
16 needs of Indian tribes, tribal organizations, and
17 tribal colleges and universities;

18 “(D) that is tailored to meet the specific
19 needs of the territories;

20 “(E) that is tailored to meet the specific
21 needs of eligible entities in carrying out dem-
22 onstration projects for which a grant is made
23 under this section; and

24 “(F) to facilitate the exchange of informa-
25 tion among eligible entities regarding best prac-

1 tices and promising practices used in the
2 projects.

3 “(2) CONTINUATION OF PEER TECHNICAL AS-
4 SISTANCE CONFERENCES.—The Secretary shall con-
5 tinue to hold peer technical assistance conferences
6 for entities to which a grant is made under this sec-
7 tion or was made under the immediate predecessor
8 of this section. The preceding sentence shall not be
9 interpreted to require any such conference to be held
10 in person.

11 “(f) EVALUATION OF DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, by
13 grant, contract, or interagency agreement, conduct
14 rigorous and well-designed evaluations of the dem-
15 onstration projects for which a grant is made under
16 this section.

17 “(2) REQUIREMENT APPLICABLE TO INDIVID-
18 UALS WITH ARREST OR CONVICTION RECORDS DEM-
19 ONSTRATION.—In the case of a project of the type
20 described in subsection (c)(2)(B)(i)(I), the evalua-
21 tion shall include identification of successful activi-
22 ties for creating opportunities for developing and
23 sustaining, particularly with respect to low-income
24 individuals with arrest or conviction records, a
25 health professions workforce that has accessible

1 entry points, that meets high standards for edu-
2 cation, training, certification, and professional devel-
3 opment, and that provides increased wages and af-
4 fordable benefits, including health care coverage,
5 that are responsive to the needs of the workforce.

6 “(3) REQUIREMENT APPLICABLE TO PREG-
7 NANCY AND CHILDBIRTH CAREER PATHWAY DEM-
8 ONSTRATION.—In the case of a project of the type
9 described in subsection (c)(2)(B)(i)(II), the evalua-
10 tion shall include identification of successful activi-
11 ties for creating opportunities for developing and
12 sustaining, particularly with respect to low-income
13 individuals and other entry-level workers, a career
14 pathway that has accessible entry points, that meets
15 high standards for education, training, certification,
16 and professional development, and that provides in-
17 creased wages and affordable benefits, including
18 health care coverage, that are responsive to the
19 needs of the birth, pregnancy, and post-partum
20 workforce.

21 “(4) RULE OF INTERPRETATION.—Evaluations
22 conducted pursuant to this subsection may include a
23 randomized controlled trial, but this subsection shall
24 not be interpreted to require an evaluation to include
25 such a trial.

1 “(g) REPORTS.—

2 “(1) TO THE SECRETARY.—An eligible entity
3 awarded a grant to conduct a project under this sec-
4 tion shall submit interim reports to the Secretary on
5 the activities carried out under the project, and, on
6 the conclusion of the project, a final report on the
7 activities. Each such report shall include data on
8 participant outcomes related to earnings, employ-
9 ment in health professions, graduation rate, gradua-
10 tion timeliness, credential attainment, participant
11 demographics, and other data specified by the Sec-
12 retary.

13 “(2) TO THE CONGRESS.—During each Con-
14 gress, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee
15 on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives
16 and the Committee on Finance of the Senate a re-
17 port—

18 “(A) on the demographics of the partici-
19 pants in the projects for which a grant is made
20 under this section;

21 “(B) on the rate of which project partici-
22 pants completed all activities under the
23 projects;

24 “(C) on the employment credentials ac-
25 quired by project participants;

1 “(D) on the employment of project partici-
2 pants on completion of activities under the
3 projects, and the earnings of project partici-
4 pants at entry into employment;

5 “(E) on best practices and promising prac-
6 tices used in the projects;

7 “(F) on the nature of any technical assist-
8 ance provided to grantees under this section;

9 “(G) on, with respect to the period since
10 the period covered in the most recent prior re-
11 port submitted under this paragraph—

12 “(i) the number of applications sub-
13 mitted under this section, with a separate
14 statement of the number of applications re-
15 ferred to in subsection (b)(5);

16 “(ii) the number of applications that
17 were approved, with a separate statement
18 of the number of such applications referred
19 to in subsection (b)(5); and

20 “(iii) a description of how grants were
21 made in any case described in the last sen-
22 tence of subsection (c)(1)(A)(ii); and

23 “(H) that includes an assessment of the ef-
24 fectiveness of the projects with respect to ad-

1 dressing health professions workforce shortages
2 or in-demand jobs.

3 “(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 “(1) ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSION.—The term
5 ‘allied health profession’ has the meaning given in
6 section 799B(5) of the Public Health Service Act.

7 “(2) CAREER PATHWAY.—The term ‘career
8 pathway’ has the meaning given that term in section
9 3(7) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity
10 Act.

11 “(3) DOULA.—The term ‘doula’ means an indi-
12 vidual who—

13 “(A) is certified by an organization that
14 has been established for not less than 5 years
15 and that requires the completion of continuing
16 education to maintain the certification, to pro-
17 vide non-medical advice, information, emotional
18 support, and physical comfort to an individual
19 during the individual’s pregnancy, childbirth,
20 and post-partum period; and

21 “(B) maintains the certification by com-
22 pleting the required continuing education.

23 “(4) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible en-
24 tity’ means any of the following entities that dem-
25 onstrates in an application submitted under this sec-

1 tion that the entity has the capacity to fully develop
2 and administer the project described in the applica-
3 tion:

4 “(A) A local workforce development board
5 established under section 107 of the Workforce
6 Innovation and Opportunity Act.

7 “(B) A State or territory, a political sub-
8 division of a State or territory, or an agency of
9 a State, territory, or such a political subdivi-
10 sion, including a State or local entity that ad-
11 ministers a State program funded under part A
12 of this title.

13 “(C) An Indian tribe, a tribal organization,
14 or a tribal college or university.

15 “(D) An institution of higher education (as
16 defined in the Higher Education Act of 1965).

17 “(E) A hospital (as defined in section
18 1861(e)).

19 “(F) A high-quality skilled nursing facility.

20 “(G) A Federally qualified health center
21 (as defined in section 1861(aa)(4)).

22 “(H) A nonprofit organization described in
23 section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code
24 of 1986, a labor organization, or an entity with
25 shared labor-management oversight, that has a

1 demonstrated history of providing health profes-
2 sion training to eligible individuals.

3 “(I) In the case of a demonstration project
4 of the type provided for in subsection
5 (c)(2)(B)(i)(II) of this section, an entity recog-
6 nized by a State, Indian tribe, or tribal organi-
7 zation as qualified to train doulas or midwives,
8 if midwives or doulas, as the case may be, are
9 permitted to practice in the State involved.

10 “(J) An opioid treatment program (as de-
11 fined in section 1861(jjj)(2)), and other high
12 quality comprehensive addiction care providers.

13 “(5) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL.—The term ‘eligible
14 individual’ means an individual whose family income
15 does not exceed 200 percent of the Federal poverty
16 level.

17 “(6) FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL.—The term
18 ‘Federal poverty level’ means the poverty line (as de-
19 fined in section 673(2) of the Omnibus Budget Rec-
20 onciliation Act of 1981, including any revision re-
21 quired by such section applicable to a family of the
22 size involved).

23 “(7) INDIAN TRIBE; TRIBAL ORGANIZATION.—
24 The terms ‘Indian tribe’ and ‘tribal organization’
25 have the meaning given the terms in section 4 of the

1 Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance
2 Act (25 U.S.C. 450b).

3 “(8) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—
4 The term ‘institution of higher education’ has the
5 meaning given the term in section 101 or
6 102(a)(1)(B) of the Higher Education Act of 1965.

7 “(9) TERRITORY.—The term ‘territory’ means
8 the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United
9 States Virgin Islands, Guam, the Northern Mariana
10 Islands, and American Samoa.

11 “(10) TRIBAL COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY.—The
12 term ‘tribal college or university’ has the meaning
13 given the term in section 316(b) of the Higher Edu-
14 cation Act of 1965.

15 “(i) FUNDING.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Out of any funds in the
17 Treasury of the United States not otherwise appro-
18 priated, there are appropriated to the Secretary to
19 carry out this section \$425,000,000 for each of fis-
20 cal years 2022 through 2026.

21 “(2) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—Of the amount
22 appropriated for a fiscal year under paragraph (1)
23 of this subsection—

24 “(A) \$318,750,000 shall be available for
25 grants under subsection (c)(1)(A);

1 “(B) \$17,000,000 shall be reserved for
2 grants under subsection (c)(1)(B);

3 “(C) \$21,250,000 shall be reserved for
4 grants under subsection (c)(1)(C);

5 “(D) \$25,500,000 shall be available for
6 demonstration project grants under subsection
7 (c)(2);

8 “(E) \$25,500,000, plus all amounts re-
9 ferred to in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of
10 this paragraph that remain unused after all
11 grant awards are made for the fiscal year, shall
12 be available for the provision of technical assist-
13 ance and associated staffing; and

14 “(F) \$17,000,000 shall be available for
15 studying the effects of the demonstration and
16 non-demonstration projects for which a grant is
17 made under this section, and for associated
18 staffing, for the purpose of supporting the rig-
19 orous evaluation of the demonstration projects,
20 and supporting the continued study of the
21 short-, medium-, and long-term effects of all
22 such projects, including the effectiveness of new
23 or added elements of the non-demonstration
24 projects.”.

