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Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—116th Cong., 1st Sess.**

**S. 1201**

To amend the fossil energy research and development provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to enhance fossil fuel technology, and for other purposes.

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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended  
to be proposed by Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Ms.  
MURKOWSKI)

Viz:

1 Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the fol-  
2 lowing:

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Enhancing Fossil Fuel  
5 Energy Carbon Technology Act of 2019” or the “EF-  
6 FECT Act of 2019”.

7 **SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF COAL AND NATURAL GAS**  
8 **TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Energy Policy Act of 2005  
10 is amended by striking section 962 (42 U.S.C. 16292) and  
11 inserting the following:

1 **“SEC. 962. COAL AND NATURAL GAS TECHNOLOGY PRO-**  
2 **GRAM.**

3 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 “(1) LARGE-SCALE PILOT PROJECT.—The term  
5 ‘large-scale pilot project’ means a pilot project  
6 that—

7 “(A) represents the scale of technology de-  
8 velopment beyond laboratory development and  
9 bench scale testing, but not yet advanced to the  
10 point of being tested under real operational con-  
11 ditions at commercial scale;

12 “(B) represents the scale of technology  
13 necessary to gain the operational data needed  
14 to understand the technical and performance  
15 risks of the technology before the application of  
16 that technology at commercial scale or in com-  
17 mercial-scale demonstration; and

18 “(C) is large enough—

19 “(i) to validate scaling factors; and

20 “(ii) to demonstrate the interaction  
21 between major components so that control  
22 philosophies for a new process can be de-  
23 veloped and enable the technology to ad-  
24 vance from large-scale pilot plant applica-  
25 tion to commercial-scale demonstration or  
26 application.

1           “(2) NET-NEGATIVE CARBON DIOXIDE EMIS-  
2           SIONS TECHNOLOGY.—The term ‘net-negative car-  
3           bon dioxide emissions technology’ means tech-  
4           nology—

5                   “(A) for thermochemical co-conversion of  
6           coal and biomass fuels that—

7                           “(i) uses a carbon capture system;  
8                           and

9                           “(ii) with carbon dioxide removal, the  
10           Secretary determines can provide elec-  
11           tricity, fuels, or chemicals with net-nega-  
12           tive carbon dioxide emissions from produc-  
13           tion and consumption of the end products,  
14           while removing atmospheric carbon dioxide;  
15           and

16                   “(B) through which each use of coal will  
17           be combined with the use of biomass energy,  
18           provided on a renewable basis, that is sufficient  
19           in quantity to allow for net-negative emissions  
20           of carbon dioxide (in combination with a carbon  
21           capture system), while avoiding impacts on food  
22           production activities.

23           “(3) PROGRAM.—The term ‘program’ means  
24           the program established under subsection (b)(1).

25           “(4) TRANSFORMATIONAL TECHNOLOGY.—

1           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘trans-  
2           formational technology’ means a power genera-  
3           tion technology that represents a significant  
4           change in the methods used to convert energy  
5           that will enable a step change in performance,  
6           efficiency, and cost of electricity as compared to  
7           the technology in existence on the date of enact-  
8           ment of the Enhancing Fossil Fuel Energy Car-  
9           bon Technology Act of 2019.

10           “(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term ‘trans-  
11           formational technology’ includes a broad range  
12           of technology improvements, including—

13                   “(i) thermodynamic improvements in  
14                   energy conversion and heat transfer, in-  
15                   cluding—

16                           “(I) advanced combustion sys-  
17                           tems, including oxygen combustion  
18                           systems and chemical looping; and

19                           “(II) the replacement of steam  
20                           cycles with supercritical carbon diox-  
21                           ide cycles;

22                           “(ii) improvements in steam or carbon  
23                           dioxide turbine technology;

24                           “(iii) improvements in carbon capture,  
25                           utilization, and storage systems technology;

1                   “(iv) improvements in small-scale and  
2                   modular coal-fired technologies with re-  
3                   duced carbon output or carbon capture  
4                   that can support incremental power gen-  
5                   eration capacity additions;

6                   “(v) fuel cell technologies for low-cost,  
7                   high-efficiency modular power systems;

8                   “(vi) advanced gasification systems;

9                   “(vii) thermal cycling technologies;

10                  and

11                  “(viii) any other technology the Sec-  
12                  retary recognizes as transformational tech-  
13                  nology.

14                  “(b) COAL AND NATURAL GAS TECHNOLOGY PRO-  
15                  GRAM.—

16                  “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall estab-  
17                  lish a coal and natural gas technology program to  
18                  ensure the continued use of the abundant domestic  
19                  coal and natural gas resources of the United States  
20                  through the development of transformational tech-  
21                  nologies that will significantly improve the efficiency,  
22                  effectiveness, costs, and environmental performance  
23                  of coal and natural gas use.

24                  “(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The program shall in-  
25                  clude—

1 “(A) a research and development program;

2 “(B) large-scale pilot projects;

3 “(C) demonstration projects; and

4 “(D) a front-end engineering and design  
5 program.

6 “(3) PROGRAM GOALS AND OBJECTIVES.—In  
7 consultation with the interested entities described in  
8 paragraph (5)(C), the Secretary shall develop goals  
9 and objectives for the program to be applied to the  
10 transformational technologies developed within the  
11 program, taking into consideration the following:

12 “(A) Increasing the performance of coal  
13 and natural gas plants, including by—

14 “(i) ensuring reliable, low-cost power  
15 from new and existing coal and natural gas  
16 plants;

17 “(ii) achieving high conversion effi-  
18 ciencies;

19 “(iii) addressing emissions of carbon  
20 dioxide through high-efficiency platforms;

21 “(iv) developing small-scale and mod-  
22 ular technologies to support incremental  
23 capacity additions and load following gen-  
24 eration, in addition to large-scale genera-  
25 tion technologies;

1           “(v) supporting dispatchable oper-  
2           ations for new and existing applications of  
3           coal and natural gas generation; and

4           “(vi) accelerating the development of  
5           technologies that have transformational en-  
6           ergy conversion characteristics.

7           “(B) Using carbon capture, utilization, and  
8           sequestration technologies to decrease the car-  
9           bon dioxide emissions, and the environmental  
10          impact from carbon dioxide emissions, from new  
11          and existing coal and natural gas plants, includ-  
12          ing by—

13           “(i) accelerating the development, de-  
14           ployment, and commercialization of tech-  
15           nologies to capture and sequester carbon  
16           dioxide emissions from new and existing  
17           coal and natural gas plants;

18           “(ii) supporting sites for safe geologi-  
19           cal storage of large volumes of anthropo-  
20           genic sources of carbon dioxide and the de-  
21           velopment of the infrastructure needed to  
22           support a carbon dioxide utilization and  
23           storage industry;

24           “(iii) improving the conversion, utili-  
25           zation, and storage of carbon dioxide pro-

1           duced from fossil fuels and other anthropo-  
2           genic sources of carbon dioxide;

3           “ (iv) lowering greenhouse gas emis-  
4           sions for all fossil fuel production, genera-  
5           tion, delivery, and use, to the maximum ex-  
6           tent practicable;

7           “ (v) developing carbon utilization  
8           technologies, products, and methods, in-  
9           cluding carbon use and reuse for commer-  
10          cial application; and

11          “ (vi) developing net-negative carbon  
12          dioxide emissions technologies.

13          “ (C) Decreasing the non-carbon dioxide  
14          relevant environmental impacts of coal and nat-  
15          ural gas production, including by—

16               “ (i) further reducing non-carbon diox-  
17               ide air emissions; and

18               “ (ii) reducing the use, and managing  
19               the discharge, of water in power plant op-  
20               erations.

21          “ (D) Accelerating the development of tech-  
22          nologies to capture carbon dioxide emissions  
23          from industrial facilities, including—

24               “ (i) nontraditional fuel manufacturing  
25               facilities, including ethanol or other biofuel



1 production plants or hydrogen production  
2 plants; and

3 “(ii) energy-intensive manufacturing  
4 facilities that produce carbon dioxide as a  
5 byproduct of operations.

6 “(E) Examining methods of converting  
7 coal and natural gas to other valuable products  
8 and commodities in addition to electricity, in-  
9 cluding hydrogen.

10 “(4) CROSS-CUTTING DIRECTION FOR CARBON  
11 CAPTURE, UTILIZATION, AND SEQUESTRATION AC-  
12 TIVITIES.—The carbon capture, utilization, and se-  
13 questration activities described in paragraph (3)(B)  
14 shall be—

15 “(A) cross-cutting in nature; and

16 “(B) carried out by the Assistant Sec-  
17 retary for Fossil Energy, in coordination with  
18 the heads of other relevant offices of the De-  
19 partment, including the Director of the Office  
20 of Science and the Assistant Secretary for En-  
21 ergy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

22 “(5) CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED.—In carrying  
23 out the program, the Secretary shall—

1           “(A) undertake international collabora-  
2           tions, taking into consideration the rec-  
3           ommendations of the National Coal Council;

4           “(B) use existing authorities to encourage  
5           international cooperation; and

6           “(C) consult with interested entities, in-  
7           cluding—

8                   “(i) coal and natural gas producers;

9                   “(ii) industries that use coal and nat-  
10                  ural gas;

11                  “(iii) organizations that promote coal,  
12                  advanced coal, and natural gas tech-  
13                  nologies;

14                  “(iv) environmental organizations;

15                  “(v) organizations representing work-  
16                  ers; and

17                  “(vi) organizations representing con-  
18                  sumers.

19           “(c) REPORT.—

20                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months  
21                  after the date of enactment of the Enhancing Fossil  
22                  Fuel Energy Carbon Technology Act of 2019, the  
23                  Secretary shall submit to Congress a report describ-  
24                  ing the program goals and objectives adopted under  
25                  subsection (b)(3).

1           “(2) UPDATE.—Not less frequently than once  
2 every 2 years after the initial report is submitted  
3 under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall submit to  
4 Congress a report describing the progress made to-  
5 wards achieving the program goals and objectives  
6 adopted under subsection (b)(3).

7           “(d) FUNDING.—

8           “(1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—  
9 There are authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-  
10 retary to carry out this section, to remain available  
11 until expended—

12                   “(A) for activities under the research and  
13 development program component described in  
14 subsection (b)(2)(A)—

15                           “(i) \$230,000,000 for each of fiscal  
16 years 2020 and 2021; and

17                           “(ii) \$150,000,000 for each of fiscal  
18 years 2022 through 2024;

19                   “(B) subject to paragraph (2), for activi-  
20 ties under the large-scale pilot projects program  
21 component described in subsection (b)(2)(B)—

22                           “(i) \$347,000,000 for each of fiscal  
23 years 2020 and 2021;

24                           “(ii) \$272,000,000 for each of fiscal  
25 years 2022 and 2023; and

1 “(iii) \$250,000,000 for fiscal year  
2 2024;

3 “(C) for activities under the demonstration  
4 projects program component described in sub-  
5 section (b)(2)(C)—

6 “(i) \$100,000,000 for each of fiscal  
7 years 2020 and 2021; and

8 “(ii) \$500,000,000 for each of fiscal  
9 years 2022 through 2024; and

10 “(D) for activities under the front-end en-  
11 gineering and design program described in sub-  
12 section (b)(2)(D), \$50,000,000 for each of fis-  
13 cal years 2020 through 2023.

14 “(2) COST SHARING FOR LARGE-SCALE PILOT  
15 PROJECTS.—Activities under subsection (b)(2)(B)  
16 shall be subject to the cost-sharing requirements of  
17 section 988(b).”.

18 (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents  
19 for the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Public Law 109–58;  
20 119 Stat. 600) is amended by striking the item relating  
21 to section 962 and inserting the following:

“Sec. 962. Coal and natural gas technology program.”.

22 **SEC. 3. CARBON STORAGE VALIDATION AND TESTING.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Energy Policy Act of 2005  
24 is amended by striking section 963 (42 U.S. C. 16293)  
25 and inserting the following:

1 **“SEC. 963. CARBON STORAGE VALIDATION AND TESTING.**

2 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

3 “(1) ELECTRIC GENERATION UNIT.—The term  
4 ‘electric generation unit’ means an electric genera-  
5 tion unit that—

6 “(A) uses coal- or natural gas-based gen-  
7 eration technology; and

8 “(B) is capable of capturing carbon dioxide  
9 emissions from the unit.

10 “(2) LARGE-SCALE CARBON SEQUESTRATION.—

11 The term ‘large-scale carbon sequestration’ means a  
12 scale that demonstrates the ability to inject into geo-  
13 logic formations and sequester several million metric  
14 tons of carbon dioxide for not less than a 10-year  
15 period.

16 “(3) PROGRAM.—The term ‘program’ means  
17 the program established under subsection (b)(1).

18 “(b) CARBON STORAGE PROGRAM.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall estab-  
20 lish a program of research, development, and dem-  
21 onstration for carbon storage.

22 “(2) PROGRAM ACTIVITIES.—Activities under  
23 the program shall include—

24 “(A) in coordination with relevant Federal  
25 agencies, developing and maintaining mapping

1 tools and resources that assess the capacity of  
2 geologic storage formation in the United States;

3 “(B) developing monitoring tools, modeling  
4 of geologic formations, and analyses—

5 “(i) to predict carbon dioxide contain-  
6 ment; and

7 “(ii) to account for sequestered car-  
8 bon dioxide in geologic storage sites;

9 “(C) researching—

10 “(i) potential environmental, safety,  
11 and health impacts in the event of a leak  
12 into the atmosphere or to an aquifer; and

13 “(ii) any corresponding mitigation ac-  
14 tions or responses to limit harmful con-  
15 sequences of such a leak;

16 “(D) evaluating the interactions of carbon  
17 dioxide with formation solids and fluids, includ-  
18 ing the propensity of injections to induce seis-  
19 mic activity;

20 “(E) assessing and ensuring the safety of  
21 operations relating to geologic sequestration of  
22 carbon dioxide;

23 “(F) determining the fate of carbon diox-  
24 ide concurrent with and following injection into  
25 geologic formations; and

1           “(G) supporting cost and business model  
2           assessments to examine the economic viability  
3           of technologies and systems developed under the  
4           program.

5           “(3) GEOLOGIC SETTINGS.—In carrying out re-  
6           search activities under this subsection, the Secretary  
7           shall consider a variety of candidate onshore and off-  
8           shore geologic settings, including—

9           “(A) operating oil and gas fields;

10           “(B) depleted oil and gas fields;

11           “(C) residual oil zones;

12           “(D) unconventional reservoirs and rock  
13           types;

14           “(E) unmineable coal seams;

15           “(F) saline formations in both sedimentary  
16           and basaltic geologies;

17           “(G) geologic systems that may be used as  
18           engineered reservoirs to extract economical  
19           quantities of brine from geothermal resources of  
20           low permeability or porosity; and

21           “(H) geologic systems containing in situ  
22           carbon dioxide mineralization formations.

23           “(c) LARGE-SCALE CARBON SEQUESTRATION DEM-  
24           ONSTRATION PROGRAM.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall estab-  
2           lish a demonstration program under which the Sec-  
3           retary shall provide funding for demonstration  
4           projects to collect and validate information on the  
5           cost and feasibility of commercial deployment of  
6           large-scale carbon sequestration technologies.

7           “(2) EXISTING REGIONAL CARBON SEQUESTRA-  
8           TION PARTNERSHIPS.—In carrying out paragraph  
9           (1), the Secretary may provide additional funding to  
10          regional carbon sequestration partnerships that are  
11          carrying out or have completed a large-scale carbon  
12          sequestration demonstration project under this sec-  
13          tion (as in effect on the day before the date of enact-  
14          ment of the Enhancing Fossil Fuel Energy Carbon  
15          Technology Act of 2019) for additional work on that  
16          project.

17          “(3) DEMONSTRATION COMPONENTS.—Each  
18          demonstration project carried out under this sub-  
19          section shall include longitudinal tests involving car-  
20          bon dioxide injection and monitoring, mitigation,  
21          and verification operations.

22          “(4) CLEARINGHOUSE.—The National Energy  
23          Technology Laboratory shall act as a clearinghouse  
24          of shared information and resources for—



1           “(A) existing or completed demonstration  
2           projects receiving additional funding under  
3           paragraph (2); and

4           “(B) any new demonstration projects fund-  
5           ed under this subsection.

6           “(5) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the  
7           date of enactment of the Enhancing Fossil Fuel En-  
8           ergy Carbon Technology Act of 2019, the Secretary  
9           shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Nat-  
10          ural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on  
11          Science, Space, and Technology of the House of  
12          Representatives a report that—

13                 “(A) assesses the progress of all regional  
14                 carbon sequestration partnerships carrying out  
15                 a demonstration project under this subsection;

16                 “(B) identifies the remaining challenges in  
17                 achieving large-scale carbon sequestration that  
18                 is reliable and safe for the environment and  
19                 public health; and

20                 “(C) creates a roadmap for carbon storage  
21                 research and development activities of the De-  
22                 partment through 2025, with the goal of reduc-  
23                 ing economic and policy barriers to commercial  
24                 carbon sequestration.

25           “(d) INTEGRATED STORAGE PROGRAM.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may estab-  
2           lish a program to transition large-scale carbon se-  
3           questration demonstration projects under subsection  
4           (c) into integrated commercial storage complexes.

5           “(2) GOALS AND OBJECTIVES.—The goals and  
6           objectives of the program described in paragraph (1)  
7           shall be—

8                   “(A) to identify geologic storage sites that  
9                   are able to accept large volumes of carbon diox-  
10                  ide acceptable for commercial contracts;

11                   “(B) to understand the technical and com-  
12                   mercial viability of carbon dioxide geologic stor-  
13                   age sites; and

14                   “(C) to carry out any other activities nec-  
15                   essary to transition the large-scale carbon se-  
16                   questration demonstration projects under sub-  
17                   section (c) into integrated commercial storage  
18                   complexes.

19           “(e) COST SHARING.—Activities carried out under  
20           this section shall be subject to the cost-sharing require-  
21           ments of section 988.

22           “(f) REPORT ON CARBON DIOXIDE CAPTURE CON-  
23           TRACTING AUTHORITY.—

24                   “(1) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after  
25                   the date of enactment of the Enhancing Fossil Fuel

1 Energy Carbon Technology Act of 2019, the Sec-  
2 retary shall submit to the Committee on Energy and  
3 Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee  
4 on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of  
5 Representatives a report that—

6 “(A) describes the costs and benefits of en-  
7 tering into long-term binding contracts on be-  
8 half of the Federal Government with qualified  
9 parties to provide support for capturing carbon  
10 dioxide from electricity generated at an electric  
11 generation unit or carbon dioxide captured from  
12 an electric generation unit and sold to a pur-  
13 chaser for—

14 “(i) the recovery of crude oil; or

15 “(ii) other purposes for which a com-  
16 mercial market exists;

17 “(B) contains an analysis of how the De-  
18 partment would establish, implement, and  
19 maintain a contracting program described in  
20 subparagraph (A); and

21 “(C) outlines options for how contracts  
22 may be structured, and regulations that would  
23 be necessary, to implement a contracting pro-  
24 gram described in subparagraph (A).

1 “(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
2 are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry  
3 out this section—

4 “(1) \$105,000,000 for fiscal year 2020;

5 “(2) \$110,250,000 for fiscal year 2021;

6 “(3) \$115,763,000 for fiscal year 2022;

7 “(4) \$121,551,000 for fiscal year 2023; and

8 “(5) \$127,628,000 for fiscal year 2024.”.

9 (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents  
10 for the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Public Law 109–58;  
11 119 Stat. 600; 121 Stat. 1708) is amended by striking  
12 the item relating to section 963 and inserting the fol-  
13 lowing:

“Sec. 963. Carbon storage validation and testing.”.

14 **SEC. 4. CARBON UTILIZATION PROGRAM.**

15 (a) CARBON UTILIZATION PROGRAM.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle F of title IX of the  
17 Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16291 et  
18 seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

19 **“SEC. 969. CARBON UTILIZATION PROGRAM.**

20 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a  
21 program of research, development, and demonstration for  
22 carbon utilization—

23 “(1) to assess and monitor—

1           “(A) potential changes in lifecycle carbon  
2           dioxide and other greenhouse gas emissions;  
3           and

4           “(B) other environmental safety indicators  
5           of new technologies, practices, processes, or  
6           methods used in enhanced hydrocarbon recovery  
7           as part of the activities authorized under sec-  
8           tion 963;

9           “(2) to identify and assess novel uses for car-  
10          bon, including the conversion of carbon oxides for  
11          commercial and industrial products, such as—

12                 “(A) chemicals;

13                 “(B) plastics;

14                 “(C) building materials;

15                 “(D) fuels;

16                 “(E) cement;

17                 “(F) products of coal use in power systems  
18          or other applications; or

19                 “(G) other products with demonstrated  
20          market value;

21           “(3) to identify and assess carbon capture tech-  
22          nologies for industrial systems; and

23           “(4) to identify and assess alternative uses for  
24          coal, including products derived from carbon engi-  
25          neering, carbon fiber, and coal conversion methods.

1       “(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
2 are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry  
3 out this section—

4             “(1) \$25,000,000 for fiscal year 2020;

5             “(2) \$26,250,000 for fiscal year 2021;

6             “(3) \$27,562,500 for fiscal year 2022;

7             “(4) \$28,940,625 for fiscal year 2023; and

8             “(5) \$30,387,656 for fiscal year 2024.”.

9       (2) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of  
10 contents for the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Public  
11 Law 109–58; 119 Stat. 600) is amended by adding  
12 at the end of the items relating to subtitle F of title  
13 IX the following:

“Sec. 969. Carbon utilization program.”.

14       (b) STUDY.—

15             (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Energy  
16 shall enter into an agreement with the National  
17 Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine  
18 under which the National Academies of Sciences,  
19 Engineering, and Medicine shall conduct a study to  
20 assess any barriers and opportunities relating to  
21 commercializing carbon dioxide in the United States.

22             (2) REQUIREMENTS.—The study under para-  
23 graph (1) shall—

24                 (A) analyze challenges to commercializing  
25 carbon dioxide, including—

- 1 (i) expanding carbon dioxide pipeline  
2 capacity;
- 3 (ii) mitigating environmental impacts;  
4 (iii) access to capital;  
5 (iv) geographic barriers; and  
6 (v) regional economic challenges and  
7 opportunities;
- 8 (B) identify potential markets, industries,  
9 or sectors that may benefit from greater access  
10 to commercial carbon dioxide;
- 11 (C) assess—
- 12 (i) the state of infrastructure as of  
13 the date of the study; and  
14 (ii) any necessary updates to infra-  
15 structure to allow for the integration of  
16 safe and reliable carbon dioxide transpor-  
17 tation, use, and storage;
- 18 (D) describe the economic, climate, and en-  
19 vironmental impacts of any well-integrated na-  
20 tional carbon dioxide pipeline system, including  
21 suggestions for policies that could—
- 22 (i) improve the economic impact of  
23 the system; and  
24 (ii) mitigate impacts of the system;

1           (E) assess the global status and progress  
2 of chemical and biological carbon utilization  
3 technologies in practice as of the date of the  
4 study that utilize anthropogenic carbon, includ-  
5 ing carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, methane,  
6 and biogas, from power generation, biofuels  
7 production, and other industrial processes;

8           (F) identify emerging technologies and ap-  
9 proaches for carbon utilization that show prom-  
10 ise for scale-up, demonstration, deployment,  
11 and commercialization;

12           (G) analyze the factors associated with  
13 making carbon utilization technologies viable at  
14 a commercial scale, including carbon waste  
15 stream availability, economics, market capacity,  
16 energy, and lifecycle requirements;

17           (H)(i) assess the major technical chal-  
18 lenges associated with increasing the commer-  
19 cial viability of carbon reuse technologies; and

20           (ii) identify the research and development  
21 questions that will address the challenges de-  
22 scribed in clause (i);

23           (I)(i) assess research efforts being carried  
24 out as of the date of the study, including basic,  
25 applied, engineering, and computational re-



1 search efforts, that are addressing the chal-  
2 lenges described in subparagraph (H)(i); and

3 (ii) identify gaps in the research efforts  
4 under clause (i);

5 (J) develop a comprehensive research agen-  
6 da that addresses long- and short-term research  
7 needs and opportunities; and

8 (K)(i) identify appropriate Federal agen-  
9 cies with capabilities to support small business  
10 entities; and

11 (ii) determine what assistance the Federal  
12 agencies identified under clause (i) could pro-  
13 vide to small business entities to further the de-  
14 velopment and commercial deployment of car-  
15 bon dioxide-based products.

16 (3) DEADLINE.—Not later than 180 days after  
17 the date of enactment of this Act, the National  
18 Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine  
19 shall submit to the Secretary of Energy a report de-  
20 scribing the results of the study under paragraph  
21 (1).

22 **SEC. 5. CARBON REMOVAL.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle F of title IX of the En-  
24 ergy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16291 et seq.) (as

1 amended by section 4(a)(1)) is amended by adding at the  
2 end the following:

3 **“SEC. 969A. CARBON REMOVAL.**

4 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary, in coordina-  
5 tion with the heads of appropriate Federal agencies, in-  
6 cluding the Secretary of Agriculture, shall establish a re-  
7 search, development, and demonstration program (re-  
8 ferred to in this section as the ‘program’) to test, validate,  
9 or improve technologies and strategies to remove carbon  
10 dioxide from the atmosphere on a large scale.

11 “(b) CROSS-CUTTING DIRECTION.—The Secretary  
12 shall ensure that the program—

13 “(1) is cross-cutting in nature; and

14 “(2) includes the coordinated participation of  
15 the Office of Fossil Energy, the Office of Science,  
16 and the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable  
17 Energy.

18 “(c) PROGRAM ACTIVITIES.—The program may in-  
19 clude research, development, and demonstration activities  
20 relating to—

21 “(1) direct air capture and storage technologies;

22 “(2) bioenergy with carbon capture and seques-  
23 tration;

24 “(3) enhanced geological weathering;

25 “(4) agricultural and grazing practices;

1           “(5) forest management and afforestation; and

2           “(6) planned or managed carbon sinks, includ-

3           ing natural and artificial.

4           “(d) REQUIREMENTS.—In developing and identifying

5 carbon removal technologies and strategies under the pro-

6 gram, the Secretary shall consider—

7           “(1) land use changes, including impacts on

8           natural and managed ecosystems;

9           “(2) ocean acidification;

10           “(3) net greenhouse gas emissions;

11           “(4) commercial viability;

12           “(5) potential for near-term impact;

13           “(6) potential for carbon reductions on a

14           gigaton scale; and

15           “(7) economic cobenefits.

16           “(e) AIR CAPTURE TECHNOLOGY PRIZE COMPETI-

17           TION.—

18           “(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

19           “(A) DILUTE MEDIA.—The term ‘dilute

20           media’ means media in which the concentration

21           of carbon dioxide is less than 1 percent by vol-

22           ume.

23           “(B) PRIZE COMPETITION.—The term

24           ‘prize competition’ means the competitive tech-

1           nology prize competition established under  
2           paragraph (2).

3           “(2) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 1 year  
4           after the date of enactment of the Enhancing Fossil  
5           Fuel Energy Carbon Technology Act of 2019, the  
6           Secretary, in consultation with the Administrator of  
7           the Environmental Protection Agency, shall establish  
8           as part of the program a competitive technology  
9           prize competition to award prizes for carbon dioxide  
10          capture from dilute media.

11          “(3) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out this  
12          subsection, the Secretary, in accordance with section  
13          24 of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation  
14          Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3719), shall develop require-  
15          ments for—

16                 “(A) the prize competition process; and

17                 “(B) monitoring and verification proce-  
18                 dures for projects selected to receive a prize  
19                 under the prize competition.

20          “(4) ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.—To be eligible to be  
21          awarded a prize under the prize competition, a  
22          project shall—

23                 “(A) meet minimum performance stand-  
24                 ards set by the Secretary;

1           “(B) meet minimum levels set by the Sec-  
2           retary for the capture of carbon dioxide from  
3           dilute media; and

4           “(C) demonstrate in the application of the  
5           project for a prize—

6           “(i) a design for a promising carbon  
7           capture technology that will—

8           “(I) be operated on a demonstra-  
9           tion scale; and

10           “(II) have the potential to  
11           achieve significant reduction in the  
12           level of carbon dioxide in the atmos-  
13           phere;

14           “(ii) a successful bench-scale dem-  
15           onstration of a carbon capture technology;  
16           or

17           “(iii) an operational carbon capture  
18           technology on a commercial scale.

19           “(f) DIRECT AIR CAPTURE TEST CENTER.—

20           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after  
21           the date of enactment of the Enhancing Fossil Fuel  
22           Energy Carbon Technology Act of 2019, the Sec-  
23           retary shall award grants to 1 or more entities for  
24           the operation of 1 or more test centers (referred to  
25           in this subsection as a ‘Center’) to provide unique

1 testing capabilities for innovative direct air capture  
2 and storage technologies.

3 “(2) PURPOSE.—Each Center shall—

4 “(A) advance research, development, dem-  
5 onstration, and commercial application of direct  
6 air capture and storage technologies;

7 “(B) support pilot plant and full-scale  
8 demonstration projects and test direct air cap-  
9 ture and storage technologies that represent the  
10 scale of technology development beyond labora-  
11 tory testing, but not yet advanced to test under  
12 operational conditions at commercial scale;

13 “(C) develop front-end engineering design  
14 and economic analysis; and

15 “(D) maintain a public record of pilot and  
16 full-scale plant performance.

17 “(3) SELECTION.—

18 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall  
19 select entities to receive grants under this sub-  
20 section according to such criteria as the Sec-  
21 retary may develop.

22 “(B) COMPETITIVE BASIS.—The Secretary  
23 shall select entities to receive grants under this  
24 subsection on a competitive basis.

1                   “(C) PRIORITY CRITERIA.—In selecting en-  
2                   tities to receive grants under this subsection,  
3                   the Secretary shall prioritize applicants that—

4                               “(i) have access to existing or planned  
5                               research facilities for direct air capture  
6                               and storage technologies;

7                               “(ii) are institutions of higher edu-  
8                               cation with established expertise in engi-  
9                               neering for direct air capture and storage  
10                              technologies, or partnerships with such in-  
11                              stitutions of higher education; or

12                              “(iii) have access to existing research  
13                              and test facilities for bulk materials design  
14                              and testing, component design and testing,  
15                              or professional engineering design.

16                   “(4) FORMULA FOR AWARDING GRANTS.—The  
17                   Secretary may develop a formula for awarding  
18                   grants under this subsection.

19                   “(5) SCHEDULE.—

20                              “(A) IN GENERAL.—Each grant awarded  
21                              under this subsection shall be for a term of not  
22                              more than 5 years, subject to the availability of  
23                              appropriations.

24                              “(B) RENEWAL.—The Secretary may  
25                              renew a grant for 1 or more additional 5-year

1 terms, subject to a competitive merit review and  
2 the availability of appropriations.

3 “(6) TERMINATION.—To the extent otherwise  
4 authorized by law, the Secretary may eliminate, and  
5 terminate grant funding under this subsection for, a  
6 Center during any 5-year term described in para-  
7 graph (5) if the Secretary determines that the Cen-  
8 ter is underperforming.

9 “(g) LARGE-SCALE PILOTS AND DEMONSTRATION.—  
10 In supporting the technology development activities under  
11 this section, the Secretary is encouraged to support carbon  
12 removal pilot and demonstration projects, including—

13 “(1) pilot projects that test direct air capture  
14 systems capable of capturing 10 to 100 tonnes of  
15 carbon oxides per year to provide data for dem-  
16 onstration-scale projects; and

17 “(2) direct air capture demonstration projects  
18 capable of capturing greater than 1,000 tonnes of  
19 carbon oxides per year.

20 “(h) INTRAAGENCY COORDINATION.—The direct air  
21 capture activities carried out under subsections (c)(1) and  
22 (e) shall be carried out in coordination with, and  
23 leveraging lessons learned from, the coal and natural gas  
24 technology program established under section 962(b)(1).



1           “(i) ACCOUNTING.—The Secretary shall collaborate  
2 with the Administrator of the Environmental Protection  
3 Agency and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies  
4 to develop and improve accounting frameworks and tools  
5 to accurately measure carbon removal and sequestration  
6 methods and technologies across the Federal Government.

7           “(j) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
8 are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry  
9 out this section—

10           “(1) \$75,000,000 for fiscal year 2020, of which  
11 \$15,000,000 shall be used to carry out subsection  
12 (e);

13           “(2) \$63,500,000 for fiscal year 2021;

14           “(3) \$66,150,000 for fiscal year 2022;

15           “(4) \$69,458,000 for fiscal year 2023; and

16           “(5) \$72,930,000 for fiscal year 2024.”.

17           (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents  
18 for the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Public Law 109–58;  
19 119 Stat. 600) (as amended by section 4(a)(2)) is amend-  
20 ed by adding at the end of the items relating to subtitle  
21 F of title IX the following:

“Sec. 969A. Carbon removal.”.

22 **SEC. 6. FOSSIL ENERGY.**

23           Section 961(a) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42  
24 U.S.C. 16291(a)) is amended—

1           (1) in paragraph (6), by inserting “, including  
2           technology development to reduce emissions of car-  
3           bon dioxide and associated emissions of heavy metals  
4           within coal combustion residues and gas streams re-  
5           sulting from fossil fuel use and production” before  
6           the period at the end; and

7           (2) by striking paragraph (7) and inserting the  
8           following:

9           “(7) Increasing the export of fossil energy-re-  
10          lated equipment, technology, including emissions  
11          control technologies, and services from the United  
12          States.

13          “(8) Developing carbon removal and utilization  
14          technologies, products, and methods that result in  
15          net reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, includ-  
16          ing direct air capture and storage, and carbon use  
17          and reuse for commercial application.

18          “(9) Improving the conversion, use, and storage  
19          of carbon dioxide produced from fossil fuels.”.