§ 2917. Development of geothermal energy on military lands

(a) Development Authorized.— The Secretary of a military department may develop, or authorize the development of, any geothermal energy resource within lands under the Secretary’s jurisdiction, including public lands, for the use or benefit of the Department of Defense if that development is in the public interest, as determined by the Secretary concerned, and will not deter commercial development and use of other portions of such resource if offered for leasing.

(b) Consideration of Energy Security.— The development of a geothermal energy project under subsection (a) should include consideration of energy security in the design and development of the project.


Amendments


2006—Pub. L. 109–364 renumbered section 2689 of this title as this section.

Effective Date

Section effective Oct. 1, 1982, and applicable to military construction projects, and to construction and acquisition of military family housing authorized before, on, or after such date, see section 12(a) of Pub. L. 97–214, set out as a note under section 2801 of this title.