

with the needs of the Government provide appropriate informational services and otherwise encourage career appointees to take advantage of any opportunities relating to—

(A) sabbaticals;

(B) training; or

(C) details or other temporary assignments in other agencies, State or local governments, or the private sector.

(Added Pub. L. 95-454, title IV, § 403(a), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1163; amended Pub. L. 102-175, § 4, Dec. 2, 1991, 105 Stat. 1223.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 3396, added Pub. L. 95-437, § 3(a), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1057, which related to issuance of regulations, was renumbered as section 3406 of this title by Pub. L. 95-454, title IX, § 906(c)(1)(B), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226.

AMENDMENTS

1991—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 102-175 designated existing provisions as par. (1) and added par. (2).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 9 months after Oct. 13, 1978, and congressional review of provisions of sections 401 through 412 of Pub. L. 95-454, see section 415(a)(1), (b) of Pub. L. 95-454, set out as an Effective Date note under section 3131 of this title.

FEDERAL PROCUREMENT TRAINING

Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title XVI, § 1633(a), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 2076, provided that: “Programs established for the development of senior executives under section 3396(a) of title 5, United States Code, shall include training with respect to Federal procurement requirements, including contracting requirements under the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 631 et seq.).”

§ 3397. Regulations

The Office of Personnel Management shall prescribe regulations to carry out the purpose of this subchapter.

(Added Pub. L. 95-454, title IV, § 403(a), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1164.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 3397, added Pub. L. 95-437, § 3(a), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1058, which related to reports, was renumbered as section 3407 of this title by Pub. L. 95-454, title IX, § 906(c)(1)(B), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226.

A prior section 3398, added Pub. L. 95-437, § 3(a), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1058, which related to representation by employee organizations of employees employed on a part-time career employment basis, was renumbered as section 3408 of this title by Pub. L. 95-454, title IX, § 906(c)(1)(B), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 9 months after Oct. 13, 1978, and congressional review of provisions of sections 401 through 412 of Pub. L. 95-454, see section 415(a)(1), (b) of Pub. L. 95-454, set out as an Effective Date note under section 3131 of this title.

CHAPTER 34—PART-TIME CAREER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1995—Pub. L. 104-66, title III, § 3001(a)(2), Dec. 21, 1995, 109 Stat. 734, struck out item 3407 “Reports”.

1978—Pub. L. 95-437, § 3(b), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1058, added items 3391 to 3398, which were renumbered 3401 to 3408 by Pub. L. 95-454, title IX, § 906(c)(1)(A), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226, which section also substituted “CHAPTER 34” for “SUBCHAPTER VIII” in heading.

§ 3401. Definitions

For the purpose of this chapter—

(1) “agency” means—

(A) an Executive agency;

(B) a military department;

(C) an agency in the judicial branch;

(D) the Library of Congress;

(E) the Botanic Garden; and

(F) the Office of the Architect of the Capitol; but does not include—

(i) a Government controlled corporation;

(ii) the Tennessee Valley Authority;

(iii) the Virgin Islands Corporation;

(iv) the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice;

(v) the Central Intelligence Agency; and

(vi) the National Security Agency, Department of Defense; and

(2) “part-time career employment” means part-time employment of 16 to 32 hours a week (or 32 to 64 hours during a biweekly pay period in the case of a flexible or compressed work schedule under subchapter II of chapter 61 of this title) under a schedule consisting of an equal or varied number of hours per day, whether in a position which would be part-time without regard to this section or one established to allow job-sharing or comparable arrangements, but does not include employment on a temporary or intermittent basis.

(Added Pub. L. 95-437, § 3(a), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1056, § 3391; renumbered § 3401 and amended Pub. L. 95-454, title IX, § 906(c)(1)(B), (2)(A), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226; Pub. L. 97-221, § 3, July 23, 1982, 96 Stat. 233; Pub. L. 97-468, title VI, § 615(b)(1)(B), Jan. 14, 1983, 96 Stat. 2578; Pub. L. 102-378, § 2(15), Oct. 2, 1992, 106 Stat. 1347; Pub. L. 104-201, div. C, title XXXV, § 3548(a)(1), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2868.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1996—Par. (1). Pub. L. 104-201, which directed amendment of par. (1) by striking cl. (v) and redesignating cls. (vi), (vii), and (viii) as (v), (vi), and (vii), respectively, was executed by striking cl. (iv), relating to the Pan-

ama Canal Company, and redesignating cls. (v), (vi), and (vii) as (iv), (v), and (vi), respectively, to reflect the probable intent of Congress, because par. (1) does not contain a cl. (viii) and the amendments were included in a series of conforming amendments relating to the Panama Canal.

1992—Par. (1)(iii). Pub. L. 102-378, which directed the amendment of cl. (iv) by substituting “Virgin Islands” for “Virgin Island”, was executed by making the substitution in cl. (iii) to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

1983—Par. (1)(iii) to (viii). Pub. L. 97-468 struck out cl. (iii) which excluded the Alaska Railroad, and redesignated cls. (iv) to (viii) as (iii) to (vii), respectively.

1982—Par. (2). Pub. L. 97-221 inserted “(or 32 to 64 hours during a biweekly pay period in the case of a flexible or compressed work schedule under subchapter II of chapter 61 of this title)” after “week”.

1978—Pub. L. 95-454, §906(c)(1)(B), renumbered section 3391 of this title as this section.

Pub. L. 95-454, §906(c)(2)(A), substituted “chapter” for “subchapter”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1983 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 97-468 effective on date of transfer of Alaska Railroad to the State [Jan. 5, 1985], pursuant to section 1203 of Title 45, Railroads, see section 615(b) of Pub. L. 97-468.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-454 effective 90 days after Oct. 13, 1978, see section 907 of Pub. L. 95-454, set out as a note under section 1101 of this title.

SHORT TITLE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Section 1 of Pub. L. 95-437 provided that: “This Act [enacting this chapter, amending sections 8347, 8716, 8906, and 8913 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and sections 3407 and 8906 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Federal Employees Part-Time Career Employment Act of 1978’.”

CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS AND PURPOSE

Pub. L. 95-437, §2, Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1055, provided that:

“(a) The Congress finds that—

“(1) many individuals in our society possess great productive potential which goes unused because they cannot meet the requirements of a standard workweek; and

“(2) part-time permanent employment—

“(A) provides older individuals with a gradual transition into retirement;

“(B) provides employment opportunities to handicapped individuals or others who require a reduced workweek;

“(C) provides parents opportunities to balance family responsibilities with the need for additional income;

“(D) benefits students who must finance their own education or vocational training;

“(E) benefits the Government, as an employer, by increasing productivity and job satisfaction, while lowering turnover rates and absenteeism, offering management more flexibility in meeting work requirements, and filling shortages in various occupations; and

“(F) benefits society by offering a needed alternative for those individuals who require or prefer shorter hours (despite the reduced income), thus increasing jobs available to reduce unemployment while retaining the skills of individuals who have training and experience.

“(b) The purpose of this Act [enacting this chapter, amending sections 8347, 8716, 8906, and 8913 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and sections 3407 and 8906 of this title] is to pro-

vide increased part-time career employment opportunities throughout the Federal Government.”

§ 3402. Establishment of part-time career employment programs

(a)(1) In order to promote part-time career employment opportunities in all grade levels, the head of each agency, by regulation, shall establish and maintain a program for part-time career employment within such agency. Such regulations shall provide for—

(A) the review of positions which, after such positions become vacant, may be filled on a part-time career employment basis (including the establishment of criteria to be used in identifying such positions);

(B) procedures and criteria to be used in connection with establishing or converting positions for part-time career employment, subject to the limitations of section 3403 of this title;

(C) annual goals for establishing or converting positions for part-time career employment, and a timetable setting forth interim and final deadlines for achieving such goals;

(D) a continuing review and evaluation of the part-time career employment program established under such regulations; and

(E) procedures for notifying the public of vacant part-time positions in such agency, utilizing facilities and funds otherwise available to such agency for the dissemination of information.

(2) The head of each agency shall provide for communication between, and coordination of the activities of, the individuals within such agency whose responsibilities relate to the part-time career employment program established within that agency.

(3) Regulations established under paragraph (1) of this subsection may provide for such exceptions as may be necessary to carry out the mission of the agency.

(b)(1) The Office of Personnel Management, by regulation, shall establish and maintain a program under which it shall, on the request of an agency, advise and assist such agency in the establishment and maintenance of its part-time career employment program under this chapter.

(2) The Office shall conduct a research and demonstration program with respect to part-time career employment within the Federal Government. In particular, such program shall be directed to—

(A) determining the extent to which part-time career employment may be used in filling positions which have not traditionally been open for such employment on any extensive basis, such as supervisory, managerial, and professional positions;

(B) determining the extent to which job-sharing arrangements may be established for various occupations and positions; and

(C) evaluating attitudes, benefits, costs, efficiency, and productivity associated with part-time career employment, as well as its various sociological effects as a mode of employment.

(Added Pub. L. 95-437, §3(a), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1056, §3392; renumbered §3402 and amended Pub. L. 95-454, title IX, §906(c)(1)(B), (2)(B), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1978—Pub. L. 95-454, §906(c)(1)(B), renumbered section 3392 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (a)(1)(B). Pub. L. 95-454, §906(c)(2)(B)(i), substituted “3403” for “3393”.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 95-454, §906(c)(2)(B)(ii), substituted “Office of Personnel Management” for “Civil Service Commission” and “chapter” for “subchapter”.

Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 95-454, §906(c)(2)(B)(iii), substituted “Office” for “Commission”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-454 effective 90 days after Oct. 13, 1978, see section 907 of Pub. L. 95-454, set out as a note under section 1101 of this title.

§ 3403. Limitations

(a) An agency shall not abolish any position occupied by an employee in order to make the duties of such position available to be performed on a part-time career employment basis.

(b) Any person who is employed on a full-time basis in an agency shall not be required to accept part-time employment as a condition of continued employment.

(Added Pub. L. 95-437, §3(a), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1057, §3393; renumbered §3403, Pub. L. 95-454, title IX, §906(c)(1)(B), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1978—Pub. L. 95-454 renumbered section 3393 of this title as this section.

§ 3404. Personnel ceilings

In administering any personnel ceiling applicable to an agency (or unit therein), an employee employed by such agency on a part-time career employment basis shall be counted as a fraction which is determined by dividing 40 hours into the average number of hours of such employee’s regularly scheduled workweek. This section shall become effective on October 1, 1980.

(Added Pub. L. 95-437, §3(a), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1057, §3394; renumbered §3404, Pub. L. 95-454, title IX, §906(c)(1)(B), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1978—Pub. L. 95-454 renumbered section 3394 of this title as this section.

§ 3405. Nonapplicability

(a) If, on the date of enactment of this chapter, there is in effect with respect to positions within an agency a collective-bargaining agreement which establishes the number of hours of employment a week, then this chapter shall not apply to those positions.

(b) This chapter shall not require part-time career employment in positions the rate of basic pay for which is fixed at a rate equal to or greater than the minimum rate payable under section 5376.

(Added Pub. L. 95-437, §3(a), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1057, §3395; renumbered §3405 and amended Pub.

L. 95-454, title IX, §906(c)(1)(B), (2)(C), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226, 1227; Pub. L. 101-509, title V, §529 [title I, §101(b)(9)(D)], Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1427, 1441.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The date of enactment of this chapter, referred to in subsec. (a), is the date of the enactment of Pub. L. 95-437, which was approved Oct. 10, 1978.

AMENDMENTS

1990—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 101-509 substituted “payable under section 5376” for “fixed for GS-16 of the General Schedule”.

1978—Pub. L. 95-454, §906(c)(1)(B), renumbered section 3395 of this title as this section.

Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 95-454, §906(c)(2)(C), substituted “chapter” for “subchapter” wherever appearing.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101-509 effective on such date as the President shall determine, but not earlier than 90 days, and not later than 180 days, after Nov. 5, 1990, see section 529 [title III, §305] of Pub. L. 101-509, set out as a note under section 5301 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-454 effective 90 days after Oct. 13, 1978, see section 907 of Pub. L. 95-454, set out as a note under section 1101 of this title.

§ 3406. Regulations

Before any regulation is prescribed under this chapter, a copy of the proposed regulation shall be published in the Federal Register and an opportunity provided to interested parties to present written comment and, where practicable, oral comment. Initial regulations shall be prescribed not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this chapter.

(Added Pub. L. 95-437, §3(a), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1057, §3396; renumbered §3406 and amended Pub. L. 95-454, title IX, §906(c)(1)(B), (2)(C), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226, 1227.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The date of the enactment of this chapter, referred to in text, is the date of the enactment of Pub. L. 95-437, which was approved Oct. 10, 1978.

AMENDMENTS

1978—Pub. L. 95-453, §901(c)(1)(B), renumbered section 3396 of this title as this section.

Pub. L. 95-454, §906(c)(2)(C), substituted “chapter” for “subchapter” wherever appearing.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-454 effective 90 days after Oct. 13, 1978, see section 907 of Pub. L. 95-454, set out as a note under section 1101 of this title.

[§ 3407. Repealed. Pub. L. 104-66, title III, § 3001(a)(1), Dec. 21, 1995, 109 Stat. 733]

Section, added Pub. L. 95-437, §3(a), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1058, §3397; renumbered §3407 and amended Pub. L.

95-454, title IX, §906(c)(1)(B), (2)(D), (E), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226, 1227, related to reports.

§ 3408. Employee organization representation

If an employee organization has been accorded exclusive recognition with respect to a unit within an agency, then the employee organization shall be entitled to represent all employees within that unit employed on a part-time career employment basis.

(Added Pub. L. 95-437, §3(a), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1058, §3398; renumbered §3408, Pub. L. 95-454, title IX, §906(c)(1)(B), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1226.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1978—Pub. L. 95-454 renumbered section 3398 of this title as this section.

CHAPTER 35—RETENTION PREFERENCE, VOLUNTARY SEPARATION INCENTIVE PAYMENTS, RESTORATION, AND REEMPLOYMENT

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- 3598.¹ Federal Bureau of Investigation reserve service.²
- 3598.¹ Federal Bureau of Investigation Reserve Service.

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108-447, div. B, title I, §114(b), Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 2869, and Pub. L. 108-458, title II, §2004(b), Dec. 17, 2004, 118 Stat. 3704, amended analysis identically, adding item for subchapter VII.

Pub. L. 108-458, title II, §2004(b), Dec. 17, 2004, 118 Stat. 3704, added item 3598, set out second.

Pub. L. 108-447, div. B, title I, §114(b), Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 2869, added item 3598, set out first.

2002—Pub. L. 107-296, title XIII, §1313(a)(1)(B), Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2294, substituted “RETENTION PREFERENCE, VOLUNTARY SEPARATION INCENTIVE PAYMENTS, RESTORATION, AND REEMPLOYMENT” for “RETENTION PREFERENCE, RESTORATION, AND REEMPLOYMENT” in chapter heading and added item for subchapter II and items 3521 to 3525.

1994—Pub. L. 103-353, §2(b)(2)(C), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3169, struck out item for subchapter II “RESTORATION AFTER ACTIVE DUTY OR TRAINING DUTY” and item 3551 “Restoration; Reserves and National Guardsmen”.

1984—Pub. L. 98-615, title III, §306(c)(2), Nov. 8, 1984, 98 Stat. 3220, added item 3595a.

1981—Pub. L. 97-35, title XVII, §1704(a)(2), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 757, redesignated item 3595 as 3596, and added item 3595.

1980—Pub. L. 96-465, title II, §2301(b), Oct. 17, 1980, 94 Stat. 2164, added item for subchapter VI and item 3597.

1978—Pub. L. 95-454, title IV, §404(c), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1167, added item for subchapter V and items 3591 to 3595.

SUBCHAPTER I—RETENTION PREFERENCE

§ 3501. Definitions; application

(a) For the purpose of this subchapter, except section 3504—

(1) “active service” has the meaning given it by section 101 of title 37;

(2) “a retired member of a uniformed service” means a member or former member of a uniformed service who is entitled, under statute, to retired, retirement, or retainer pay on account of his service as such a member; and

(3) a preference eligible employee who is a retired member of a uniformed service is considered a preference eligible only if—

(A) his retirement was based on disability—

(i) resulting from injury or disease received in line of duty as a direct result of armed conflict; or

(ii) caused by an instrumentality of war and incurred in the line of duty during a

¹ So in original. Two sections “3598” have been enacted.

² So in original. Does not conform to section catchline.