

(B) the employee requests to telework from a location beyond the local commuting area of the Patent and Trademark Office worksite; and

(C) the Patent and Trademark Office approves the requested arrangement for reasons of employee convenience instead of an agency need for the employee to relocate in order to perform duties specific to the new location.

(4)(A) The Patent and Trademark Office shall establish an oversight committee comprising an equal number of members representing management and labor, including representatives from each collective bargaining unit.

(B) The oversight committee shall develop and maintain the operating procedures for the program under this subsection to—

(i) provide for the effective and appropriate functioning of the program; and

(ii) ensure that—

(I) reasonable technological or other alternatives to employee travel are used before requiring employee travel, including teleconferencing, videoconferencing or internet-based technologies;

(II) the program is applied consistently and equitably throughout the Patent and Trademark Office; and

(III) an optimal operating standard is developed and implemented for maximizing the use of the telework arrangement described under paragraph (2) while minimizing agency travel expenses and employee travel requirements.

(5)(A) The program under this subsection shall be designed to enhance cost savings or other efficiencies that accrue to the Government.

(B) The Director of the Patent and Trademark Office shall prepare and submit to the appropriate committees of Congress an annual report on the operation of the program under this subsection, which shall include—

(i) the costs and benefits of the program; and

(ii) an analysis of the effectiveness of the program, as determined under criteria developed by the Director.

(C) With respect to an employee of the Patent and Trademark Office who voluntarily relocates from the pre-existing duty station of that employee, the operating procedures of the program may include a reasonable maximum number of occasional visits to the pre-existing duty station before that employee is eligible for payment of any accrued travel expenses by the Office.

(g) The authority to conduct test programs under subsection (b) shall expire on December 31, 2020.

(Added Pub. L. 111–292, §3(a), Dec. 9, 2010, 124 Stat. 3171; amended Pub. L. 115–232, div. A, title XI, §1105(a), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 2001; Pub. L. 116–283, div. A, title XI, §1112(a), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3893.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2021—Pub. L. 116–283, §1112(a)(1), struck out “test” before “programs” in section catchline.

Subsec. (f)(1). Pub. L. 116–283, §1112(a)(2)(A)(i), substituted “appropriate committees” for “appropriate committee” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (f)(1)(B). Pub. L. 116–283, §1112(a)(2)(A)(ii), struck out “Government” before “Reform”.

Subsec. (f)(2). Pub. L. 116–283, §1112(a)(2)(B), struck out “test” before “program” and substituted “subsection” for “section, including the provision of reports in accordance with subsection (d)(1)”.

Subsec. (f)(4)(B). Pub. L. 116–283, §1112(a)(2)(C), inserted “and maintain” after “develop” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (f)(5)(A). Pub. L. 116–283, §1112(a)(2)(D)(i), struck out “test” before “program”.

Subsec. (f)(5)(B). Pub. L. 116–283, §1112(a)(2)(D)(ii), added subpar. (B) and struck out former subpar. (B) which read as follows:

“(B) The Director of the Patent and Trademark Office shall—

“(i) prepare an analysis of the expected costs and benefits and a set of criteria for evaluating the effectiveness of the program; and

“(ii) before the test program is implemented, submit the analysis and criteria to the Administrator of General Services and to the appropriate committees of Congress.”

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 116–283, §1112(a)(3), substituted “subsection (b)” for “this section”.

2018—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 115–232 substituted “on December 31, 2020” for “7 years after the date of the enactment of the Telework Enhancement Act of 2010”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of House of Representatives changed to Committee on Oversight and Reform of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Sixteenth Congress, Jan. 9, 2019. Committee on Oversight and Reform of House of Representatives changed to Committee on Oversight and Accountability of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Eighteenth Congress, Jan. 9, 2023.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 115–232, div. A, title XI, §1105(b), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 2001, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect as though enacted on December 1, 2017.”

SUBCHAPTER II—TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES; NEW APPOINTEES, STUDENT TRAINEES, AND TRANSFERRED EMPLOYEES

§ 5721. Definitions

For the purpose of this subchapter—

(1) “agency” means—

(A) an Executive agency;

(B) a military department;

(C) a court of the United States;

(D) the Administrative Office of the United States Courts;

(E) the Library of Congress;

(F) the Botanic Garden;

(G) the Architect of the Capitol;

(H) the Government Publishing Office; and

(I) the government of the District of Columbia;

but does not include a Government controlled corporation;

(2) “employee” means an individual employed in or under an agency;

(3) “continental United States” means the several States and the District of Columbia, but does not include Alaska or Hawaii;

(4) “Government” means the Government of the United States and the government of the District of Columbia;

(5) “appropriation” includes funds made available by statute under section 9104 of title 31;

(6) “United States” means the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the territories and possessions of the United States, and the areas and installations in the Republic of Panama that are made available to the United States pursuant to the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977 and related agreements (as described in section 3(a) of the Panama Canal Act of 1979); and

(7) “Foreign Service of the United States” means the Foreign Service as constituted under the Foreign Service Act of 1980.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 500; Pub. L. 97-258, §3(a)(14), Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1063; Pub. L. 105-264, §6(1), Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2356; Pub. L. 110-161, div. H, title I, §1303(a), Dec. 26, 2007, 121 Stat. 2242; Pub. L. 113-235, div. H, title I, §1301(b), Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2537.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

The section is based on sections 18 and 19 of the Act of Aug. 2, 1946, ch. 744, 60 Stat. 811, 812. Sections 18 and 19 of the Act of Aug. 2, 1946, are omitted from this title and transferred to other titles of the United States Code since such sections apply also to sections 9, 11, and 16(a) of the Act of Aug. 2, 1946, which sections appear in titles 31 and 41 of the United States Code.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 3(a) of the Panama Canal Act of 1979, referred to in par. (6), is classified to section 3602(a) of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse.

The Foreign Service Act of 1980, referred to in par. (7), is Pub. L. 96-465, Oct. 17, 1980, 94 Stat. 2071, which is classified principally to chapter 52 (§3901 et seq.) of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 3901 of Title 22 and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

2007—Par. (1)(G) to (I). Pub. L. 110-161 added subpar. (G) and redesignated former subpars. (G) and (H) as (H) and (I), respectively.

1998—Pars. (6), (7). Pub. L. 105-264 added pars. (6) and (7).

1982—Par. (5). Pub. L. 97-258 substituted “section 9104” for “section 849”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

CHANGE OF NAME

“Government Publishing Office” substituted for “Government Printing Office” in par. (1)(H) on authority of section 1301(b) of Pub. L. 113-235, set out as a note preceding section 301 of Title 44, Public Printing and Documents.

§ 5722. Travel and transportation expenses of new appointees; posts of duty outside the continental United States

(a) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title and subject to subsections (b) and (c) of this section, an agency may pay from its appropriations—

(1) travel expenses of a new appointee and transportation expenses of his immediate family and his household goods and personal effects from the place of actual residence at the time of appointment to the place of employment outside the continental United States;

(2) these expenses on the return of an employee from his post of duty outside the continental United States to the place of his actual residence at the time of assignment to duty outside the continental United States; and

(3) the expenses of transporting a privately owned motor vehicle as authorized under section 5727(c) of this title.

(b) An agency may pay expenses under subsection (a)(1) of this section only after the individual selected for appointment agrees in writing to remain in the Government service for a minimum period of—

(1) one school year as determined under chapter 25 of title 20, if selected for appointment to a teaching position, except as a substitute, in the Department of Defense under that chapter; or

(2) 12 months after his appointment, if selected for appointment to any other position;

unless separated for reasons beyond his control which are acceptable to the agency concerned. If the individual violates the agreement, the money spent by the Government for the expenses is recoverable from the individual as a debt due the Government.

(c) An agency may pay expenses under subsection (a)(2) of this section only after the individual has served for a minimum period of—

(1) one school year as determined under chapter 25 of title 20, if employed in a teaching position, except as a substitute, in the Department of Defense under that chapter; or

(2) not less than one nor more than 3 years prescribed in advance by the head of the agency, if employed in any other position;

unless separated for reasons beyond his control which are acceptable to the agency concerned. These expenses are payable whether the separation is for Government purposes or for personal convenience.

(d) This section does not apply to appropriations for the Foreign Service of the United States.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 501; Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, §§1715(b)(1), 1723(b)(1), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2755, 2759; Pub. L. 105-264, §6(2), Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2356.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
.....	5 U.S.C. 73b-3(a) (less 3d-6th proviso).	Aug. 2, 1946, ch. 744, §7, 60 Stat. 808. Sept. 23, 1950, ch. 1010, §2, 64 Stat. 985. Aug. 30, 1961, Pub. L. 87-172, §2, 75 Stat. 409.

In subsections (b)(1) and (c)(1), the words “under chapter 25 of title 20” are substituted for “under the Defense Department Overseas Teachers Pay and Personnel Practices Act” to reflect the scheduled transfer of that Act from chapter 34 of title 5 to chapter 25 of title 20.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1998—Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 105-264, §6(2)(A), substituted “continental United States;” for “United States;”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-264, §6(2)(B), substituted “Government” for “United States” in two places in concluding provisions.

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-201, §1723(b)(1), in introductory provisions, substituted “Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “Under such regulations as the President may prescribe”.

Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 104-201, §1715(b)(1), added par. (3).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, §1725(a), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2760, provided that: “The amendments made by this title [enacting sections 5737, 5738, and 5756 of this title, amending this section, sections 3375, 5723 to 5724c, 5726 to 5729, and 5731 of this title, section 1348 of Title 31, Money and Finance, section 707 of Title 38, Veterans’ Benefits, and sections 290aa and 299c-4 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare] shall take effect 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Sept. 23, 1996].”

REGULATIONS

Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, §1725(b), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2760, provided that: “The Administrator of General Services shall, not later than the effective date set forth under subsection (a) [set out above], issue final regulations implementing the amendments made by this title [see Effective Date of 1996 Amendment note above].”

ASSESSMENT OF COST SAVINGS

Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, §1724, Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2759, directed Comptroller General, not later than one year after the effective date set forth in section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, to submit to Congress an assessment of costs of Federal travel administration that were saved as a result of the amendments made by title XVII of div. A of Pub. L. 104-201 and the regulations prescribed to carry out the amendments.

§ 5723. Travel and transportation expenses of new appointees and student trainees

(a) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title and subject to subsections (b) and (c) of this section, an agency may pay from its appropriations—

(1) travel expenses (A) of a new appointee, or a student trainee when assigned on completion of college work, to any position, (B) of a new appointee to the Senior Executive Service or the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Drug Enforcement Administration Senior Executive Service, or (C) of any person appointed by the President to a position the rate of pay for which is equal to or higher than the minimum rate of pay payable for a position classified above GS-15 pursuant to section 5108;

(2) transportation expenses of his immediate family and his household goods and personal effects to the extent authorized by section 5724 of this title; and

(3) the expenses of transporting a privately owned motor vehicle as authorized under section 5727(c) of this title;

from his place of residence at the time of selection or assignment to his duty station. If the travel and transportation expenses of a student trainee were paid when he was appointed, they may not be paid when he is assigned after completion of college work. Travel expenses payable under this subsection may include the per diem and mileage allowances authorized for employees by subchapter I of this chapter. Advances of funds may be made for the expenses authorized by this subsection to the extent authorized by section 5724(f) of this title. In the case of an appointee described in paragraph (1) who has performed transition activities under section 3 of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 (3 U.S.C. 102 note), the provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2) may apply to travel and transportation expenses from the place of residence of such appointee (at the time of relocation following the most recent general elections held to determine the electors of the President) to the assigned duty station of such appointee.

(b) An agency may pay travel and transportation expenses under subsection (a) of this section only after the individual selected or assigned agrees in writing to remain in the Government service for 12 months after his appointment or assignment, unless separated for reasons beyond his control which are acceptable to the agency concerned. If the individual violates the agreement, the money spent by the Government for the expenses is recoverable from the individual as a debt due the Government.

(c) An agency may pay travel and transportation expenses under subsection (a) of this section whether or not the individual selected has been appointed at the time of the travel. In the case of an appointee described in subsection (a)(1) who has performed transition activities under section 3 of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 (3 U.S.C. 102 note), the travel or transportation shall take place at any time after the most recent general elections held to determine the electors of the President.

(d) This section does not impair or otherwise affect the authority of an agency under existing statute to pay travel and transportation expenses of individuals named by subsection (a) of this section.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 502; Pub. L. 95-454, title III, §305, title IV, §409(a), title IX, §906(a)(2), (3), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1147, 1173, 1224; Pub. L. 98-151, §118(a)(1), Nov. 14, 1983, 97 Stat. 977; Pub. L. 98-473, title I, §120(a), Oct. 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 1968; Pub. L. 100-325, §2(j), May 30, 1988, 102 Stat. 582; Pub. L. 100-398, §6, Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 987; Pub. L. 101-509, title V, §529 [title II, §206(b)], Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1427, 1457; Pub. L. 102-378, §2(48), Oct. 2, 1992, 106 Stat. 1353; Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, §§1715(b)(2), 1723(b)(1), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2755, 2759; Pub. L. 105-264, §6(3), Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2356.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Derivation	U.S. Code	Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large
.....	5 U.S.C. 73b-3 (less (a)).	Aug. 25, 1958, Pub. L. 85-749, 72 Stat. 843. July 5, 1960, Pub. L. 86-587, §1, 74 Stat. 327. Oct. 16, 1963, Pub. L. 88-146, 77 Stat. 252.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 3 of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (c), is section 3 of Pub. L. 88-277, which is set out as a note under section 102 of Title 3, The President.

AMENDMENTS

1998—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-264 substituted “spent by the Government” for “spent by the United States” and “due the Government” for “due the United States”.

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-201, §1723(b)(1), in introductory provisions, substituted “Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “Under such regulations as the President may prescribe”.

Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 104-201, §1715(b)(2), which directed amendment of subsec. (a) by adding par. (3) at the end, was executed by adding par. (3) after par. (2) to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

1992—Pub. L. 102-378, §2(48)(A), struck out “; manpower shortage positions” after “trainees” in section catchline.

Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 102-378, §2(48)(B), redesignated subsec. (e) as (d) and struck out former subsec. (d) which authorized Office to delegate its authority to determine positions for which there was a manpower shortage for purposes of this section.

1990—Subsec. (a)(1)(A). Pub. L. 101-509, §529 [title II, §206(b)(1)], substituted “any position” for “a position in the United States for which the Office of Personnel Management determines there is a manpower shortage”.

Subsec. (a)(1)(C). Pub. L. 101-509, §529 [title II, §206(b)(2)], substituted “the minimum rate of pay payable for a position classified above GS-15 pursuant to section 5108; and” for “the minimum rate of pay prescribed for GS-16; and”.

1988—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 100-398, §6(2), inserted at end “In the case of an appointee described in paragraph (1) who has performed transition activities under section 3 of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 (3 U.S.C. 102 note), the provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2) may apply to travel and transportation expenses from the place of residence of such appointee (at the time of relocation following the most recent general elections held to determine the electors of the President) to the assigned duty station of such appointee.”

Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 100-398, §6(1), which directed that par. (1) be amended by striking out “or (B)” and inserting “or (C)”, could not be executed because phrase “or (B)” did not appear in par. (1) after the intervening amendment by Pub. L. 100-325, see below.

Pub. L. 100-325 inserted reference to Federal Bureau of Investigation and Drug Enforcement Administration Senior Executive Service in cl. (B) and redesignated a second cl. (B) as (C).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 100-398, §6(3), inserted at end “In the case of an appointee described in subsection (a)(1) who has performed transition activities under section 3 of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 (3 U.S.C. 102 note), the travel or transportation shall take place at any time after the most recent general elections held to determine the electors of the President.”

1984—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 98-473 directed amendment of subpar. (C) by striking out “, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate,” which was executed to second subpar. (B) by striking out that phrase following “appointed by the President”, as probable intent of Congress.

1983—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 98-151, designated existing provisions as subpars. (A) and (B), and added a second subpar. (B) relating to any person appointed by President.

1978—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 95-454, §906(a)(2), substituted “Office of Personnel Management” for “Civil Service Commission”.

Pub. L. 95-454, §409(a), inserted reference to a new appointee to the Senior Executive Service.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 95-454, §§305, 906(a)(3), struck out “not” before “delegate”, and substituted “Office” for “Commission”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-201 effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as a note under section 5722 of this title.

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 1983 AMENDMENT; REGULATIONS

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-151 and promulgation of regulations for amendments by Pub. L. 98-151 effective Nov. 14, 1983, see section 118(c) of Pub. L. 98-151, set out as a note under section 5724 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Amendment by sections 305 and 906(a)(2), (3) of 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.

Amendment by section 409(a) of Pub. L. 95-454 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 of Pub. L. 95-454, set out as an Effective Date note under section 3131 of this title.

FUNDING OF AMENDMENTS BY PUB. L. 98-151

Amendments by Pub. L. 98-151 to be carried out by agencies by use of funds appropriated or otherwise available for administrative expenses of such agencies, and do not authorize appropriation of funds in amounts exceeding sums already authorized to be appropriated for such agencies, see section 118(b) of Pub. L. 98-151, set out as a note under section 5724 of this title.

§ 5724. Travel and transportation expenses of employees transferred; advancement of funds; reimbursement on commuted basis

(a) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title and when the head of the agency concerned or his designee authorizes or approves, the agency shall pay from Government funds—

(1) the travel expenses of an employee transferred in the interest of the Government from one official station or agency to another for permanent duty, and the transportation expenses of his immediate family, or a commutation thereof under section 5704 of this title;

(2) the expenses of transporting, packing, crating, temporarily storing, draying, and unpacking his household goods and personal effects not in excess of 18,000 pounds net weight; and

(3) upon the separation (or death in service) of a career appointee, as defined in section 3132(a)(4) of this title, the travel expenses of that individual (if applicable), the transportation expenses of the immediate family of such individual, and the expenses of moving (including transporting, packing, crating,

temporarily storing, draying, and unpacking) the household goods of such individual and personal effects not in excess of eighteen thousand pounds net weight, to the place where the individual will reside (or, in the case of a career appointee who dies in service or who dies after separating but before the travel, transportation, and moving is completed, to the place where the family will reside) within the United States, if such individual—

(A) during or after the five years preceding eligibility to receive an annuity under subchapter III of chapter 83, or of chapter 84 of this title, has been transferred in the interest of the Government from one official station to another for permanent duty as a career appointee in the Senior Executive Service or as a director under section 4103(a)(8) of title 38 (as in effect on November 17, 1988); and

(B) is eligible to receive an annuity upon such separation (or, in the case of death in service, met the requirements for being considered eligible to receive an annuity, as of date of death) under the provisions of subchapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of this title.

(b) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, an employee who transports a house trailer or mobile dwelling inside the continental United States, inside Alaska, or between the continental United States and Alaska, for use as a residence, and who otherwise would be entitled to transportation of household goods and personal effects under subsection (a) of this section, is entitled, instead of that transportation, to—

(1) a reasonable allowance for transportation of the house trailer or mobile dwelling, if the trailer or dwelling is transported by the employee; or

(2) commercial transportation of the house trailer or mobile dwelling, at Government expense, or reimbursement to the employee therefor, including the payment of necessary tolls, charges, and permit fees, if the trailer or dwelling is not transported by the employee.

However, payment under this subsection may not exceed the maximum payment to which the employee otherwise would be entitled under subsection (a) of this section for transportation and temporary storage of his household goods and personal effects in connection with this transfer.

(c) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, an employee who transfers between points inside the continental United States, instead of being paid for the actual expenses of transporting, packing, crating, temporarily storing, draying, and unpacking of household goods and personal effects, shall be reimbursed on a commuted basis at the rates per 100 pounds that are fixed by zones in the regulations. The reimbursement may not exceed the amount which would be allowable for the authorized weight allowance. However, under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, payment of actual expenses may be made when the head of the agency determines that payment of actual expenses is more economical to the Government.

(d) When an employee transfers to a post of duty outside the continental United States, his expenses of travel and transportation to and from the post shall be allowed to the same extent and with the same limitations prescribed for a new appointee under section 5722 of this title.

(e) When an employee transfers from one agency to another, the agency to which he transfers pays the expenses authorized by this section. However, under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, in a transfer from one agency to another because of a reduction in force or transfer of function, expenses authorized by this section and sections 5726(b) and 5727 of this title (other than expenses authorized in connection with a transfer to a foreign country) and by section 5724a(a) through (f) of this title may be paid in whole or in part by the agency from which the employee transfers or by the agency to which he transfers, as may be agreed on by the heads of the agencies concerned.

(f) An advance of funds may be made to an employee under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title with the same safeguards required under section 5705 of this title.

(g) The allowances authorized by this section do not apply to an employee transferred under the Foreign Service Act of 1980.

(h) When a transfer is made primarily for the convenience or benefit of an employee, including an employee in the Foreign Service of the United States, or at his request, his expenses of travel and transportation and the expenses of transporting, packing, crating, temporarily storing, draying, and unpacking of household goods and personal effects may not be allowed or paid from Government funds.

(i) An agency may pay travel and transportation expenses (including storage of household goods and personal effects) and other relocation allowances under this section and sections 5724a, 5724b, and 5726(c) of this title when an employee is transferred within the continental United States only after the employee agrees in writing to remain in the Government service for 12 months after his transfer, unless separated for reasons beyond his control that are acceptable to the agency concerned. If the employee violates the agreement, the money spent by the Government for the expenses and allowances is recoverable from the employee as a debt due the Government.

(j) The regulations prescribed under this section shall provide that the reassignment or transfer of any employee, for permanent duty, from one official station or agency to another which is outside the employee's commuting area shall take effect only after the employee has been given advance notice for a reasonable period. Emergency circumstances shall be taken into account in determining whether the period of advance notice is reasonable.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 502; Pub. L. 90-83, §1(36), Sept. 11, 1967, 81 Stat. 204; Pub. L. 90-623, §1(14), Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1313; Pub. L. 96-465, title II, §2314(d), Oct. 17, 1980, 94 Stat. 2168; Pub. L. 98-151, §118(a)(2)-(4), (7)(B), Nov. 14, 1983, 97 Stat. 977, 979; Pub. L. 100-440, title VI, §629(a), Sept. 22, 1988, 102 Stat. 1758; Pub. L. 100-566, §3, Oct. 31, 1988, 102 Stat. 2845; Pub. L.

102–378, § 2(49), Oct. 2, 1992, 106 Stat. 1353; Pub. L. 103–338, §§ 3(a), 4, Oct. 6, 1994, 108 Stat. 3114; Pub. L. 104–201, div. A, title XVII, § 1723(a)(1)(B), (b)(1), (2), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2759; Pub. L. 105–85, div. C, title XXXV, § 3550(c)(1), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 2074; Pub. L. 105–264, § 6(4), Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2356.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES
1966 ACT

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
.....	5 U.S.C. 73b–1(a), (b).	Aug. 2, 1946, ch. 744, § 1(a), (b), 60 Stat. 806. Sept. 23, 1950, ch. 1010, § 1(a), (b), 3(b), 64 Stat. 985, 986. Feb. 12, 1958, Pub. L. 85–326, 72 Stat. 14. Sept. 6, 1960, Pub. L. 86–707, § 301(c)(1), 74 Stat. 796. Oct. 9, 1962, Pub. L. 87–776, 76 Stat. 777.

In subsections (a)(1) and (f), the words “section 5704 of this title” and “section 5705 of this title”, respectively, are substituted for “the Act of February 14, 1931 (5 U.S.C. 73a)” and “the Subsistence Expense Act of 1926 (5 U.S.C. 828)”, respectively, on authority of sections 4, 5, and 9(a) of the Travel Expense Act of 1949, as amended, which are carried into sections 5704, 5705, and 5708.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

1967 ACT

<i>Section of title 5</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
5724(a)(2) ...	5 App.: 73b–1(a).	July 21, 1966, Pub. L. 89–516, § 1(a), 80 Stat. 323.
5724(c)	5 App.: 73b–1(b).	July 21, 1966, Pub. L. 89–516, § 1(b), 80 Stat. 323.
5724(e)	5 App.: 73b–4d.	July 21, 1966, Pub. L. 89–516, § 2 “Sec. 26”, 80 Stat. 324.
5724(i)	5 App.: 73b–4f.	July 21, 1966, Pub. L. 89–516, § 2 “Sec. 28”, 80 Stat. 325.

Subsection (a)(1), (3) of section 1 of the act of July 21, 1966, was effected in the codification of 5 U.S.C. 5724(a)(1), (f); accordingly, no further amendments to 5 U.S.C. 5724 are necessary.

In subsection (e), the word “However” is substituted for “and notwithstanding the provisions of the fourth proviso of section 1(a) of this Act” to reflect the codification of that proviso in 5 U.S.C. 5724(e). The words “agency” and “agencies” are substituted for “department” and “departments”, respectively, to conform to the definition in 5 U.S.C. 5721(1). The words “this section and sections 5726(b) and 5727 of this title” and “section 5724a (a), (b) of this title” are substituted for “section 1, subsections (a) and (b) and subsections (e) and (f)” and “sections 23 and 24 of this Act”, respectively, to reflect the codification of the cited sections in 5 U.S.C. The word “employee” is substituted for “officer or employee” to conform to the definitions in 5 U.S.C. 5721(2) and 2105.

In subsection (i), the words “An agency may pay * * * expenses * * * and allowances under this section and sections 5724a and 5726(c) of this title * * * only after” are substituted for “Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of section 1, and of sections 23, 24, 25, and 27 of this Act, the * * * expenses * * * and * * * allowances shall not be allowed thereunder * * * unless and until” for clarity and to conform to the style of 5 U.S.C., and to reflect the codification of the cited sections in 5 U.S.C. The word “employee” is substituted for “civilian officer or employee” and “such officer or employee” to conform to the definitions in 5 U.S.C. 5721(2) and 2105. The words “continental United

States” are substituted for “continental United States, excluding Alaska” to conform to the definition in 5 U.S.C. 5721(3). The word “agency” is substituted for “department or agency” to conform to the definition in 5 U.S.C. 5721(1). In the last sentence, the words “money spent by the United States for the expenses and allowances” are substituted for “moneys expended by the United States under said sections of this act on account of such officer or employee.”

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 4103 of title 38, referred to in subsec. (a)(3)(A), was repealed by Pub. L. 102–40, title IV, § 401(a)(3), May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 210. See section 7306 of Title 38, Veterans’ Benefits.

The Foreign Service Act of 1980, referred to in subsec. (g), is Pub. L. 96–465, Oct. 17, 1980, 94 Stat. 2071, which is classified principally to chapter 52 (§ 3901 et seq.) of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 3901 of Title 22 and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

1998—Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 105–264, § 6(4)(A), struck out “, its territories or possessions, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the areas and installations in the Republic of Panama made available to the United States pursuant to the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977 and related agreements, as described in section 3(a) of the Panama Canal Act of 1979” after “United States”.

Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 105–264, § 6(4)(B), substituted “Government” for “United States” in two places in last sentence.

1997—Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 105–85, which directed the substitution of “or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico” for “, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the areas and installations in the Republic of Panama made available to the United States pursuant to the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977 and related agreements, as described in section 3(a) of the Panama Canal Act of 1979”, effective Jan. 1, 1999, could not be executed because such language did not appear in text subsequent to amendment by Pub. L. 105–264. See 1998 Amendment note above.

1996—Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 104–201, § 1723(b)(1), in introductory provisions, substituted “Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “Under such regulations as the President may prescribe”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 104–201, § 1723(b)(2)(A), substituted “under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “under regulations prescribed by the President”.

Pub. L. 104–201, § 1723(b)(1), substituted “Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “Under such regulations as the President may prescribe”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 104–201, § 1723(b)(2)(A), substituted “under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “under regulations prescribed by the President”.

Pub. L. 104–201, § 1723(a)(1)(B), substituted “section 5724a(a) through (f)” for “section 5724a(a), (b)”.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 104–201, § 1723(b)(2)(B), substituted “under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “under the regulations of the President”.

1994—Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 103–338, § 4, amended par. (3) generally. Prior to amendment, par. (3) read as follows: “upon the separation of a career appointee (as defined in section 3132(a)(4) of this title), the travel expenses of that individual, the transportation expenses of the immediate family of such individual, and the expenses of moving (including transporting, packing, crating, temporarily storing, draying, and unpacking) the household goods of such individual and personal effects not in excess of eighteen thousand pounds net

weight, to the place where the individual will reside within the United States, its territories or possessions, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the areas and installations in the Republic of Panama made available to the United States pursuant to the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977 and related agreements, as described in section 3(a) of the Panama Canal Act of 1979 (or, if the individual dies before the travel, transportation, and moving is completed, to the place where the family will reside) if such individual—

“(A) during or after the five years preceding eligibility to receive an annuity under subchapter III of chapter 83, or of chapter 84 of this title, has been transferred in the interest of the Government from one official station to another for permanent duty as a career appointee in the Senior Executive Service or as a director under section 4103(a)(8) of title 38 (as in effect on November 17, 1988); and

“(B) is eligible to receive an annuity upon such separation under the provisions of subchapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of this title.”

Subsec. (a)(3)(A). Pub. L. 103-338, §3(a), substituted “November 17, 1988” for “November 27, 1988”.

1992—Subsec. (a)(3)(A). Pub. L. 102-378 substituted “Service or as a director under section 4103(a)(8) of title 38 (as in effect on November 27, 1988)” for “Service”.

1988—Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 100-440 added par. (3).

Subsec. (a)(3)(A). Pub. L. 100-566 substituted “during or after the five” for “during the five” and struck out “, and thereafter” after “of this title”.

1983—Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 98-151, §118(a)(2), substituted “18,000” for “11,000”.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 98-151, §118(a)(3), struck out “not in excess of 20 cents a mile” after “allowance”.

Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 98-151, §118(a)(7)(B), inserted reference to section 5724b of this title.

Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 98-151, §118(a)(4), added subsec. (j).

1980—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 96-465 substituted “the Foreign Service Act of 1980” for “chapter 14 of title 22”.

1968—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 90-623 substituted “section 5724a(a), (b)” for “section 5724(a), (b)”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105-85, div. C, title XXXV, §3550(c)(3), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 2074, provided that: “The amendments made by this subsection [amending this section and section 5724a of this title] shall take effect on January 1, 1999.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-201 effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as a note under section 5722 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 103-338, §3(b), Oct. 6, 1994, 108 Stat. 3114, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect as if included in the Technical and Miscellaneous Civil Service Amendments Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-378; 106 Stat. 1346; 5 U.S.C. 1101 note).”

Pub. L. 103-338, §5(a), Oct. 6, 1994, 108 Stat. 3115, provided that: “This Act [amending this section and enacting provisions set out as notes under this section] and the amendment made by this Act shall take effect on October 1, 1994, or, if later, the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 6, 1994].”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1992 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 102-378 applicable with respect to a separation that takes effect on or after Oct. 2, 1992, see section 9(b)(11) of Pub. L. 102-378, set out as a note under section 6303 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1983 AMENDMENT; PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS

Pub. L. 98-151, §118(c), Nov. 14, 1983, 97 Stat. 979, provided that:

“(1) The amendments made by subsection (a) [enacting sections 5724b and 5724c of this title and amending this section and sections 5723, 5724a, and 5726 of this title] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this joint resolution [Nov. 14, 1983].”

“(2) Not later than thirty days after the date of the enactment of this joint resolution, the President shall prescribe the regulations required under the amendments made by subsection (a). Such regulations shall take effect as of such date of enactment.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-465 effective Feb. 15, 1981, except as otherwise provided, see section 2403 of Pub. L. 96-465, set out as an Effective Date note under section 3901 of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1968 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 90-623 effective as of Sept. 11, 1967, for all purposes, see section 6 of Pub. L. 90-623, set out as a note under section 5334 of this title.

MOVING EXPENSES FOR FAMILY OF CAREER APPOINTEES DYING IN SERVICE BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 1994, AND OCTOBER 6, 1994

Pub. L. 103-338, §5(b), Oct. 6, 1994, 108 Stat. 3115, provided that:

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Under regulations prescribed by the President or his designee, an agency shall, as appropriate, pay or make reimbursement for any moving expenses which would be payable under the provisions of section 5724(a)(3) of title 5, United States Code, as amended by section 4 (but which would not have been payable under such provisions, as last in effect before being so amended).

“(2) APPLICABILITY.—The moving expenses to which this subsection applies are those incurred by the family of an individual who died—

“(i) before separating from Government service; and

“(ii) during the period beginning on January 1, 1994, and ending on the effective date of this Act [Oct. 6, 1994].

“(3) CONDITION.—Payment or reimbursement under this subsection may not be made except upon appropriate written application submitted within 12 months after the date on which the regulations referred to in paragraph (1) take effect.”

FUNDING OF AMENDMENTS BY PUB. L. 100-440

Pub. L. 100-440, title VI, §629(b), Sept. 22, 1988, 102 Stat. 1759, provided that: “The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall be carried out by agencies by the use of funds appropriated or otherwise available for the administrative expenses of each of such respective agencies. The amendments made by such subsection do not authorize the appropriation of funds in amounts exceeding the sums otherwise authorized to be appropriated for such agencies.”

FUNDING OF AMENDMENTS BY PUB. L. 98-151

Pub. L. 98-151, §118(b), Nov. 14, 1983, 97 Stat. 979, provided that: “The amendments made by subsection (a) [enacting sections 5724b and 5724c of this title and amending this section and sections 5723, 5724a, and 5726 of this title] shall be carried out by agencies by the use of funds appropriated or otherwise available for the administrative expenses of each of such respective agencies. The amendments made by such subsection do not authorize the appropriation of funds in amounts exceeding the sums already authorized to be appropriated for such agencies.”

RATES OF REIMBURSEMENT

Administrator of General Services empowered to prescribe regulations relating to establishment of rates used in reimbursing civilian officers or employees of Government on a commuted basis in lieu of payment of

actual expenses of transportation, etc., of their household goods and personal effects upon transfer from one official station to another, see Ex. Ord. No. 11012, Mar. 28, 1962, 27 F.R. 2983, set out as a note under section 301 of Title 3, The President.

§ 5724a. Relocation expenses of employees transferred or reemployed

(a) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency shall pay to or on behalf of an employee who transfers in the interest of the Government, a per diem allowance or the actual subsistence expenses, or a combination thereof, of the immediate family of the employee for en route travel of the immediate family between the employee's old and new official stations.

(b)(1) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency may pay to or on behalf of an employee who transfers in the interest of the Government between official stations located within the United States—

(A) the expenses of transportation of the employee and the employee's spouse for travel to seek permanent residence quarters at a new official station; and

(B) either—

(i) a per diem allowance or the actual subsistence expenses (or a combination of both); or

(ii) an amount for subsistence expenses, that may not exceed a maximum amount determined by the Administrator of General Services.

(2) Expenses may be allowed under paragraph (1) only for one round trip in connection with each change of station of the employee.

(c)(1) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency may pay to or on behalf of an employee who transfers in the interest of the Government—

(A) actual subsistence expenses of the employee and the employee's immediate family for a period of up to 60 days while the employee or family is occupying temporary quarters when the new official station is located within the United States; or

(B) an amount for subsistence expenses, that may not exceed a maximum amount determined by the Administrator of General Services, instead of the actual subsistence expenses authorized in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph.

(2) The period authorized in paragraph (1) of this subsection for payment of expenses for residence in temporary quarters may be extended up to an additional 60 days if the head of the agency concerned or the designee of such head of the agency determines that there are compelling reasons for the continued occupancy of temporary quarters.

(3) The regulations implementing paragraph (1)(A) shall prescribe daily rates and amounts for subsistence expenses per individual.

(d)(1) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency shall pay to or on behalf of an employee who transfers in the interest of the Government, expenses of the sale of the residence (or the settlement of an unexpired lease) of the employee at the old official station and purchase of a residence at the new official sta-

tion that are required to be paid by the employee, when the old and new official stations are located within the United States.

(2) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency shall pay to or on behalf of an employee who transfers in the interest of the Government from a post of duty located outside the United States to an official station within the United States (other than the official station within the United States from which the employee was transferred when assigned to the foreign tour of duty)—

(A) expenses required to be paid by the employee of the sale of the residence (or the settlement of an unexpired lease) of the employee at the old official station from which the employee was transferred when the employee was assigned to the post of duty located outside the United States; and

(B) expenses required to be paid by the employee of the purchase of a residence at the new official station within the United States.

(3) Reimbursement of expenses under paragraph (2) of this subsection shall not be allowed for any sale (or settlement of an unexpired lease) or purchase transaction that occurs prior to official notification that the employee's return to the United States would be to an official station other than the official station from which the employee was transferred when assigned to the post of duty outside the United States.

(4) Reimbursement for brokerage fees on the sale of the residence and other expenses under this subsection may not exceed those customarily charged in the locality where the residence is located.

(5) Reimbursement may not be made under this subsection for losses incurred by the employee on the sale of the residence.

(6) This subsection applies regardless of whether title to the residence or the unexpired lease is—

(A) in the name of the employee alone;

(B) in the joint names of the employee and a member of the employee's immediate family; or

(C) in the name of a member of the employee's immediate family alone.

(7)(A) In connection with the sale of the residence at the old official station, reimbursement under this subsection shall not exceed 10 percent of the sale price.

(B) In connection with the purchase of a residence at the new official station, reimbursement under this subsection shall not exceed 5 percent of the purchase price.

(8) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency may pay to or on behalf of an employee who transfers in the interest of the Government expenses of property management services, instead of expenses under paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection for sale of the employee's residence, when the agency determines that such transfer is advantageous and cost-effective for the Government.

(e) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency may pay to or on behalf of an employee who transfers in the interest of the Government, the expenses of property manage-

ment services when the employee transfers to a post of duty outside the United States. Such payment shall terminate upon return of the employee to an official station within the United States.

(f)(1) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 and subject to paragraph (2), an employee who is reimbursed under subsections (a) through (e) of this section or section 5724(a) of this title is entitled to an amount for miscellaneous expenses—

(A) not to exceed two weeks' basic pay, if such employee has an immediate family; or

(B) not to exceed one week's basic pay, if such employee does not have an immediate family.

(2) Amounts paid under paragraph (1) may not exceed amounts determined at the maximum rate payable for a position at GS-13 of the General Schedule.

(g) A former employee separated by reason of reduction in force or transfer of function who within one year after the separation is reemployed by a nontemporary appointment at a different geographical location from that where the separation occurred, may be allowed and paid the expenses authorized by sections 5724, 5725, 5726(b), and 5727 of this title, and may receive the benefits authorized by subsections (a) through (f) of this section, in the same manner as though the employee had been transferred in the interest of the Government without a break in service to the location of reemployment from the location where separated.

(h) Payments for subsistence expenses, including amounts in lieu of per diem or actual subsistence expenses or a combination thereof, authorized under this section may not exceed the maximum payment allowed under regulations which implement section 5702 of this title.

(Added Pub. L. 90-83, §1(37)(A), Sept. 11, 1967, 81 Stat. 204; amended Pub. L. 96-70, title I, §1231(d), Sept. 27, 1979, 93 Stat. 470; Pub. L. 98-151, §118(a)(5), (6), Nov. 14, 1983, 97 Stat. 977, 978; Pub. L. 99-234, title I, §105, Jan. 2, 1986, 99 Stat. 1758; Pub. L. 100-202, §101(m) [title VI, §628(a)(1)], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-390, 1329-430; Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XII, §1206(c), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1661; Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, §§1711-1713(a), 1714, 1718, Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2753-2755, 2757; Pub. L. 105-85, div. C, title XXXV, §3550(c)(2), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 2074; Pub. L. 105-264, §§6(5), 7, Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2356, 2357.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Section of title 5	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
5724a(a)	5 App.: 73b-4a.	July 21, 1966, Pub. L. 89-516, §2 "Sec. 23", 80 Stat. 323.
5724a(b)	5 App.: 73b-4b.	July 21, 1966, Pub. L. 89-516, §2 "Sec. 24", 80 Stat. 324.
5724a(c)	5 App.: 73b-4e.	July 21, 1966, Pub. L. 89-516, §2 "Sec. 27", 80 Stat. 325.

In subsection (a), the word "agency" is substituted for "department" to conform to the definition in 5 U.S.C. 5721(1). The word "employee" is substituted for "officers or employees" and "officer or employee" to conform to the definitions in 5 U.S.C. 5721(2) and 2105. The words "section 5724(a) of this title" and "section 5702 of this title" are substituted for "subsection (a) of

section 1 of this Act" and "section 3 of the Travel Expense Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 166, as amended; 5 U.S.C. 836)" to reflect the codification of the cited acts in 5 U.S.C. In subsection (a)(2), the words "within the continental United States" are coextensive with and substituted for "within the continental United States, excluding Alaska" on authority of the definition of "continental United States" in 5 U.S.C. 5721(3).

In subsection (b), the words "this subchapter" and "subsection (a) of this section or section 5724(a) of this title" are substituted for "this Act" and "section 1(a) or section 23 of this Act", respectively, to reflect the codification of the act in 5 U.S.C. The word "officer" is omitted as included in "employee". The words "in the General Schedule of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended" are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (c), the word "officer" is omitted as included in "employee". The words "sections 5724, 5725, 5726(b), and 5727 of this title" and "subsections (a) and (b) of this section" are substituted for "section 1 of this Act" and "sections 23 and 24 of this Act", respectively, to reflect the codification of the act in title 5, United States Code.

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The General Schedule, referred to in subsec. (f)(2), is set out under section 5332 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(1), substituted "Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency shall pay" for "An agency shall pay".

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(2), substituted "Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency may pay" for "An agency may pay" in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (b)(1)(B)(ii). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(3), amended cl. (ii) generally. Prior to amendment, cl. (ii) read as follows: "an amount for subsistence expenses."

Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(2), substituted "Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency may pay" for "An agency may pay" in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (c)(1)(B). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(4), substituted "an amount for subsistence expenses, that may not exceed a maximum amount determined by the Administrator of General Services," for "an amount for subsistence expenses".

Subsec. (d)(1), (2). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(1), substituted "Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency shall pay" for "An agency shall pay".

Subsec. (d)(2)(A). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(5), substituted "of the sale" for "for the sale".

Subsec. (d)(2)(B). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(6), substituted "of the purchase" for "for the purchase".

Subsec. (d)(8). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(2), (7), substituted "Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency may pay" for "An agency may pay" and "paragraph (1) or (2)" for "paragraph (2) or (3)".

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(2), substituted "Under regulations prescribed under section 5738, an agency may pay" for "An agency may pay".

Subsec. (f)(1). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(8), substituted "Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 and subject to paragraph (2)," for "Subject to paragraph (2)," in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 105-264, §7(9), struck out subsec. (i) which read as follows: "Subsections (a), (b), and (c) shall be implemented under regulations issued under section 5738 of this title."

Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 105-264, §6(5), struck out subsec. (j) which read as follows: "For purposes of subsections (c), (d), and (e), the term 'United States' includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the territories and possessions of the United States, and the areas and installations in the Republic

of Panama that are made available to the United States pursuant to the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977 and related agreements (as described in section 3(a) of the Panama Canal Act of 1979 (22 U.S.C. 3602(a))).”

1997—Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 105-85, which directed the amendment of subsec. (j) by inserting “and” after “Northern Mariana Islands,” and by substituting “United States,” for “United States, and the areas and installations in the Republic of Panama that are made available to the United States pursuant to the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977 and related agreements (as described in section 3(a) of the Panama Canal Act of 1979 (22 U.S.C. 3602(a))).”, effective Jan. 1, 1999, could not be executed because subsec. (j) did not appear subsequent to amendment by Pub. L. 105-264. See 1998 Amendment note above.

1996—Pub. L. 104-201, §1711, amended section generally, substituting subssecs. (a) and (b) for former subssecs. (a) to (c) which made funds available to pay certain expenses of employees for whom Government pays travel and transportation expenses under section 5724(a) of this title, provided for entitlement to certain amounts of basic pay to such employees, and provided for payment of expenses of certain former employees.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 104-201, §1712, added subsec. (c).
 Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 104-201, §1713(a), added subsec. (d).
 Subsec. (d)(8). Pub. L. 104-201, §1714(1), added par. (8).
 Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 104-201, §1714(2), added subsec. (e).
 Subssecs. (f) to (j). Pub. L. 104-201, §1718, added subssecs. (f) to (j).

1990—Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 101-510 struck out “continental” before “United States” in second sentence.

1987—Subsec. (a)(4)(A). Pub. L. 100-202 inserted provisions authorizing reimbursement of expenses of selling residence of employee at official station from which employee was transferred when assigned to duty outside United States, its territories or possessions, Puerto Rico, or parts of Panama, provisions authorizing reimbursement of expenses of purchasing residence at new official station in United States, its territories or possessions, Puerto Rico, or parts of Panama, and provisions disallowing reimbursement of expenses in connection with transfers from a post of duty located outside the United States, its territories or possessions, Puerto Rico, or parts of Panama, for any transaction that occurs prior to official notification that employee's return to the United States would be to official station other than official station from which employee was transferred.

1986—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 99-234, §105(1), (2), substituted “allowance or” for “allowance instead of” and “maximum payment permitted under regulations which implement section 5702 of this title” for “maximum per diem rates prescribed by or under section 5702 of this title”.

Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 99-234, §105(1), (2), substituted “allowance or” for “allowance instead of” and “maximum payment permitted under regulations which implement section 5702 of this title” for “maximum per diem rates prescribed by or under section 5702 of this title”.

Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 99-234, §105(2), (3), substituted “maximum payment permitted under regulations which implement section 5702 of this title” for “maximum per diem rates prescribed by or under section 5702 of this title” and “daily rates and amounts” for “average daily rates”.

1983—Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 98-151, §118(a)(5)(A), in first sentence substituted “60 days” for “30 days”.

Pub. L. 98-151, §118(a)(5)(B), substituted provisions authorizing extension for an additional 60 days if agency head or designee determines existence of compelling reasons for continued occupancy, for provisions authorizing extension for an additional 30 days if the employee moves to or from Alaska, Hawaii, the territories or possessions, etc., and struck out provisions relating to additional limitations on daily rates for reimbursement for subsistence expenses.

Subsec. (a)(4). Pub. L. 98-151, §118(a)(6), redesignated existing provisions as subpar. (A) and added subpar. (B).

1979—Subsec. (a)(3), (4). Pub. L. 96-70 substituted in pars. (3) and (4) “areas and installations in the Republic of Panama made available to the United States pursuant to the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977 and related agreements (as described in section 3(a) of the Panama Canal Act of 1979)” for “Canal Zone” wherever appearing.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 105-85 effective Jan. 1, 1999, see section 3550(c)(3) of Pub. L. 105-85, set out as a note under section 5724 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-201 effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as a note under section 5722 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1987 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 100-202, §101(m) [title VI, §628(a)(2)], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-390, 1329-431, provided that: “The amendments made by paragraph (2) [probably means par. (1) which amended this section] shall be applicable with respect to any employee transferred to or from a post of duty on or after 60 days after the date of enactment of this section [Dec. 22, 1987].”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1986 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 99-234 effective (1) on effective date of regulations to be promulgated not later than 150 days after Jan. 2, 1986, or (2) 180 days after Jan. 2, 1986, whichever occurs first, see section 301(a) of Pub. L. 99-234, set out as a note under section 5701 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1983 AMENDMENT; PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-151 and promulgation of regulations for amendments by Pub. L. 98-151 effective Nov. 14, 1983, see section 118(c) of Pub. L. 98-151, set out as a note under section 5724 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1979 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-70 effective Oct. 1, 1979, see section 3304 of Pub. L. 96-70, set out as an Effective Date note under section 3601 of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse.

EXTENSION OF PAYMENT OF RELOCATION EXPENSES TO PUERTO RICO, NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, AND TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES

Pub. L. 105-277, div. A, §101(b) [title I, §125], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-50, 2681-74, provided that: “Effective with the enactment of this Act [Oct. 21, 1998], and in any fiscal year hereafter, the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Treasury may, for their respective agencies, extend the payment of relocation expenses listed in section 5724a(b)(1) of Title 5 of the United States Code to include the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the territories and possessions of the United States.”

FUNDING OF AMENDMENTS BY PUB. L. 98-151

Amendments by Pub. L. 98-151 to be carried out be agencies by use of funds appropriated or otherwise available for administrative expenses of such agencies, and do not authorize appropriation of funds in amounts exceeding sums already authorized to be appropriated for such agencies, see section 118(b) of Pub. L. 98-151, set out as a note under section 5724 of this title.

§ 5724b. Taxes on reimbursements for travel, transportation, and relocation expenses

(a) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title and to the extent considered

necessary and appropriate, as provided therein, appropriations or other funds available to an agency for administrative expenses are available for the reimbursement of substantially all of the Federal, State, and local income taxes incurred by an individual, or by an individual and such individual's spouse (if filing jointly), for any travel, transportation, or relocation expenses furnished in kind, or for which reimbursement or an allowance is provided (but only to the extent of the expenses paid or incurred). Reimbursements under this subsection shall also include an amount equal to all income taxes for which the individual, or the individual and spouse, as the case may be, would be liable due to the reimbursement for the taxes referred to in the first sentence of this subsection.

(b) For purposes of this section, the term “travel, transportation, or relocation expenses” means all travel, transportation, and relocation expenses reimbursed or furnished in kind pursuant to this subchapter or chapter 41.

(Added Pub. L. 98-151, § 118(a)(7)(A)(i), Nov. 14, 1983, 97 Stat. 978; amended Pub. L. 98-473, title I, § 120(b), Oct. 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 1969; Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, § 1723(b)(1), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2759; Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title XI, § 1114(a), Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1604; Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title XI, § 1121(a), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3900.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2021—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 116-283 substituted “and relocation expenses reimbursed” for “or relocation expenses reimbursed” and “or chapter 41” for “of chapter 41”.

2019—Pub. L. 116-92, § 1114(a)(1), struck out “of employees transferred” after “relocation expenses” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 116-92, § 1114(a)(2), substituted “individual, or by an individual and such individual's spouse (if filing jointly), for any travel, transportation, or relocation” for “employee, or by an employee and such employee's spouse (if filing jointly), for any moving or storage” and “individual, or the individual” for “employee”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 116-92, § 1114(a)(3), added subsec. (b) and struck out former subsec. (b) which read as follows: “For the purposes of this section, ‘moving or storage expenses’ means travel and transportation expenses (including storage of household goods and personal effects under section 5724 of this title) and other relocation expenses under sections 5724a and 5724c of this title.”

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-201 substituted “Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “Under such regulations as the President may prescribe”.

1984—Pub. L. 98-473 amended section generally, substituting “reimbursement of substantially all of the Federal, State, and local income taxes” for “reimbursement of all or part of the Federal, State, and city income taxes” and “for which the employee and spouse, as the case may be” for “for which the employee, or the employee and spouse, as the case may be” in subsec. (a) and “5724c” for “5726(c)” in subsec. (b).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

RETROACTIVE EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2021 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title XI, § 1121(b), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3900, provided that: “The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take ef-

fect as if included in the enactment of section 1114 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92).”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2019 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title XI, § 1114(c), Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1604, provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect on January 1, 2018.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-201 effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as a note under section 5722 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE; PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS

Enactment by Pub. L. 98-151 and promulgation of regulations for amendments by Pub. L. 98-151 effective Nov. 14, 1983, see section 118(c) of Pub. L. 98-151, set out as an Effective Date of 1983 Amendment; Promulgation of Regulations note under section 5724 of this title.

FUNDING OF AMENDMENTS BY PUB. L. 98-151

Amendments by Pub. L. 98-151 to be carried out by agencies by use of funds appropriated or otherwise available for administrative expenses of such agencies, and do not authorize appropriation of funds in amounts exceeding sums already authorized to be appropriated for such agencies, see section 118(b) of Pub. L. 98-151, set out as a note under section 5724 of this title.

§ 5724c. Relocation services

Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, each agency may enter into contracts to provide relocation services to agencies and employees for the purpose of carrying out this subchapter. An agency may pay a fee for such services. Such services include arranging for the purchase of a transferred employee's residence.

(Added Pub. L. 98-151, § 118(a)(7)(A)(i), Nov. 14, 1983, 97 Stat. 978; amended Pub. L. 98-473, title I, § 120(b), Oct. 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 1969; Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, § 1713(b), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2754.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-201 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: “Under such regulations as the President may prescribe, each agency is authorized to enter into contracts to provide relocation services to agencies and employees for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this subchapter. Such services include but need not be limited to arranging for the purchase of a transferred employee's residence.”

1984—Pub. L. 98-473 amended section generally, adding authority of the President to prescribe regulations.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-201 effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as a note under section 5722 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE; PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS

Enactment by Pub. L. 98-151 and promulgation of regulations for amendments by Pub. L. 98-151 effective Nov. 14, 1983, see section 118(c) of Pub. L. 98-151, set out as an Effective Date of 1983 Amendment; Promulgation of Regulations note under section 5724 of this title.

FUNDING OF AMENDMENTS BY PUB. L. 98-151

Amendments by Pub. L. 98-151 to be carried out by agencies by use of funds appropriated or otherwise

available for administrative expenses of such agencies, and do not authorize appropriation of funds in amounts exceeding sums already authorized to be appropriated for such agencies, see section 118(b) of Pub. L. 98-151, set out as a note under section 5724 of this title.

§ 5724d. Transportation and moving expenses for immediate family of certain deceased Federal employees

(a) IN GENERAL.—Under regulations prescribed by the President, the head of the agency concerned (or a designee) may determine that a covered employee died as a result of personal injury sustained while in the performance of the employee's duty and authorize or approve the payment by the agency, from Government funds, of—

(1) any qualified expense of the immediate family of the covered employee attributable to a change in their place of residence, if the place where the immediate family will reside following the death of the employee is—

(A) different from the place where the immediate family resided at the time of the employee's death; and

(B) within the United States; and

(2) any expense of preparing and transporting the remains of the deceased to—

(A) the place where the immediate family will reside following the death of the employee; or

(B) such other place appropriate for interment as is determined by the agency head (or designee).

(b) NO DUPLICATE PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.—No expenses may be paid under this section if those expenses are paid from Government funds under section 5742 or any other authority.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

(1) the term “covered employee” means—

(A) a law enforcement officer, as defined in section 5541;

(B) any employee in or under the Federal Bureau of Investigation who is not described in subparagraph (A);

(C) a customs and border protection officer, as defined in section 8331(31); and

(D) any nuclear materials courier, as defined in section 8331(27); and

(2) the term “qualified expense”, as used with respect to an immediate family changing its place of residence, means the transportation expenses of the immediate family, the expenses of moving (including transporting, packing, crating, temporarily storing, draying, and unpacking) the household goods and personal effects of such immediate family, not in excess of 18,000 pounds net weight, and, when authorized or approved by the agency head (or designee), the transportation of 1 privately owned motor vehicle.

(Added Pub. L. 111-178, §2(a), June 9, 2010, 124 Stat. 1262; amended Pub. L. 116-283, div. C, title XXXI, §3144, Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4387.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

Subsec. (c)(1)(D). Pub. L. 116-283 added subpar. (D).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

NO RELEVANCE AS TO COMPENSATION CLAIMS

Pub. L. 111-178, §2(b), June 9, 2010, 124 Stat. 1263, provided that: “No determination made under section 5724d of title 5, United States Code, shall be deemed relevant to or be considered in connection with any claim for compensation under chapter 81 of that title or under any other law under which compensation may be provided on account of death or personal injury, nor shall any determination made with respect to any such claim be deemed relevant to or be considered in connection with any request for payment of expenses under such section 5724d.”

Executive Documents

DELEGATION UNDER SECTION 2(a) OF THE SPECIAL AGENT SAMUEL HICKS FAMILIES OF FALLEN HEROES ACT

Memorandum of President of the United States, Sept. 12, 2011, 76 F.R. 57621, provided:

Memorandum for the Administrator of General Services

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including section 301 of title 3, United States Code, I hereby delegate to you the function conferred upon the President by section 2(a) of the Special Agent Samuel Hicks Families of Fallen Heroes Act (Public Law 111-178) to prescribe the applicable regulations.

You are authorized and directed to publish this memorandum in the Federal Register.

BARACK OBAMA.

§ 5725. Transportation expenses; employees assigned to danger areas

(a) When an employee of the Government is on duty, or is transferred or assigned to duty, at a place designated by the head of the agency concerned as inside a zone—

(1) from which his immediate family should be evacuated; or

(2) to which they are not permitted to accompany him;

because of military or other reasons which create imminent danger to life or property, or adverse living conditions which seriously affect the health, safety, or accommodations of the immediate family, Government funds may be used to transport his immediate family and household goods, personal effects, and family household pets, under regulations prescribed by the head of the agency, to a location designated by the employee. When circumstances prevent the employee from designating a location, or it is administratively impracticable to determine his intent, the immediate family may designate the location. When the designated location is inside a zone to which movement of families is prohibited under this subsection, the employee or his immediate family may designate an alternate location.

(b) When the employee is assigned to a duty station from which his immediate family is not excluded by the restrictions in subsection (a) of this section, Government funds may be used to transport his immediate family and household goods and personal effects from the designated or alternate location to the duty station.

(c)(1) The expenses authorized under subsection (a) shall, with respect to the transport of family household pets, include the expenses for the shipment of and the payment of any quarantine costs for such pets.

(2) Any payment or reimbursement under this section in connection with the transport of family household pets shall be subject to terms and conditions which—

(A) the head of the agency shall by regulation prescribe; and

(B) shall, to the extent practicable, be the same as would apply under regulations prescribed under subsections (c) and (d) of section 453 of title 37 in connection with the transport of family household pets of members of the uniformed services, including regulations relating to the types, size, and number of pets for which such payment or reimbursement may be provided.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 503; Pub. L. 105-264, § 6(6), Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2356; Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title XI, § 1106, Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1973; Pub. L. 117-263, div. A, title VI, § 626(b)(2), Dec. 23, 2022, 136 Stat. 2628.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
.....	5 U.S.C. 73b-1(d).	Sept. 23, 1950, ch. 1010, § 1(c), 64 Stat. 985.

The word “employee” is substituted for “civilian officers and employees” in view of the definition of “employee” in sections 5721 and 2105.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2022—Subsec. (c)(2)(B). Pub. L. 117-263 substituted “subsections (c) and (d) of section 453” for “section 476(b)(1)(H)(iii)”.

2013—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 112-239, § 1106(1), substituted “, personal effects, and family household pets,” for “and personal effects,” in concluding provisions.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 112-239, § 1106(2), added subsec. (c). 1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105-264 substituted “Government” for “United States” in introductory provisions.

§ 5726. Storage expenses; household goods and personal effects

(a) For the purpose of subsection (b) of this section, “household goods and personal effects” means such personal property of an employee and his dependents as authorized under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title to be transported or stored, including, in emergencies, motor vehicles authorized to be shipped at Government expense.

(b) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, an employee, including a new appointee and a student trainee to the extent authorized by sections 5722 and 5723 of this title, assigned to a permanent duty station outside the continental United States may be allowed storage expenses and related transportation and other expenses for his household goods and personal effects when—

(1) the duty station is one to which he cannot take or at which he is unable to use his household goods and personal effects; or

(2) the head of the agency concerned authorizes storage of the household goods and personal effects in the public interest or for reasons of economy.

The weight of the household goods and personal effects stored under this subsection, together with the weight of property transported under section 5724(a), may not exceed 18,000 pounds net weight, excluding a motor vehicle described by subsection (a) of this section.

(c) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, when an employee, including a new appointee and a student trainee to the extent authorized by section 5723 of this title, is assigned to a permanent duty station at an isolated location in the continental United States to which he cannot take or at which he is unable to use his household goods and personal effects because of the absence of residence quarters at the location, nontemporary storage expenses or storage at Government expense in Government-owned facilities (including related transportation and other expenses), whichever is more economical, may be allowed the employee under regulations prescribed by the head of the agency concerned. The weight of property stored under this subsection, together with the weight of property transported under sections 5723(a) and 5724(a) of this title, may not exceed the total maximum weight the employee would be entitled to have moved. The period of nontemporary storage under this subsection may not exceed 3 years.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 504; Pub. L. 90-83, § 1(38), Sept. 11, 1967, 81 Stat. 205; Pub. L. 98-151, § 118(a)(2), Nov. 14, 1983, 97 Stat. 977; Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, § 1723(b)(1), (3), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2759.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

1966 ACT

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
.....	5 U.S.C. 73b-1(e).	Sept. 6, 1960, Pub. L. 86-707, § 301(c)(2), (d) (as applicable to the Administrative Expenses Act of 1946, as amended), 74 Stat. 796.

The word “employee” is substituted for “civilian officer or employee” in view of the definition of “employee” in sections 5721 and 2105.

In subsection (b), the words “including a new appointee and a student trainee to the extent authorized by sections 5722 and 5723 of this title” are substituted for “including any new appointee in accordance with section 73b-3 of this title” for clarity and reflect the codification of former section 73b-3 in this title.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

1967 ACT

<i>Section of title 5</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
5726(c)	5 App.: 73b-4c.	July 21, 1966, Pub. L. 89-516, § 2 “Sec. 25”, 80 Stat. 324.

The amendment of subsection (a) of 5 U.S.C. 5726 reflects the addition of a new subsection (c).

Subsection (b) of 5 U.S.C. 5726 was derived from subsection (e) of section 1 of the Administrative Expenses Act of 1946, as amended (74 Stat. 796). In the codification of subsection (e), the words “7,000 pounds net weight” were substituted for “the maximum weight limitation provided by subsection (a)”. During the pendency of the codification bill, section 1(a)(2) of Public Law 89-516, amended subsection (a) of section 1 of

the Administrative Expenses Act of 1946 to increase the maximum weight limitation from 7,000 to 11,000 pounds. Thus, the amendment of subsection (b) is necessary to reflect the current weight limitation applicable.

In subsection (c), the word “employee” is substituted for “civilian officer or employee” to conform to the definitions in 5 U.S.C. 5721(2) and 2105. The words “including a new appointee and a student trainee to the extent authorized by section 5723 of this title” are substituted for “including any new appointee in accordance with section 7(b) of this Act, as amended” for clarity and to reflect the codification of section 7(b) in 5 U.S.C. 5723. The words “continental United States” are coextensive with and substituted for “continental United States, excluding Alaska” on authority of the definition of “continental United States” in 5 U.S.C. 5721(3). The words “head of the agency concerned” are substituted for “head of the Executive Department or agency concerned” to conform to the definition in 5 U.S.C. 5721(1). In the penultimate sentence, the words “sections 5723(a) and 5724(a) of this title” are substituted for “section 1 or 7(b) of this Act” to reflect the codification of sections 1 and 7(b) in 5 U.S.C. 5723(a) and 5724(a); and the word “officer” is omitted as included in “employee”. In the last sentence, the words “under this subsection” are inserted for clarity.

Subsection (b) of section 25 of the Administrative Expenses Act of 1946 (added by section 2 of Public Law 89-516) is omitted as executed.

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-201, §1723(b)(3), substituted “as authorized under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “as the President may by regulation authorize”.

Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 104-201, §1723(b)(1), substituted “Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “Under such regulations as the President may prescribe”.

1983—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 98-151 substituted “18,000” for “11,000”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-201 effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as a note under section 5722 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1983 AMENDMENT; PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-151 and promulgation of regulations for amendments by Pub. L. 98-151 effective Nov. 14, 1983, see section 118(c) of Pub. L. 98-151, set out as a note under section 5724 of this title.

FUNDING OF AMENDMENTS BY PUB. L. 98-151

Amendments by Pub. L. 98-151 to be carried out by agencies by use of funds appropriated or otherwise available for administrative expenses of such agencies, and do not authorize appropriation of funds in amounts exceeding sums already authorized to be appropriated for such agencies, see section 118(b) of Pub. L. 98-151, set out as a note under section 5724 of this title.

§ 5727. Transportation of motor vehicles

(a) Except as specifically authorized by statute, an authorization in a statute or regulation to transport the effects of an employee or other individual at Government expense is not an authorization to transport an automobile.

(b) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, the privately owned motor vehicle of an employee, including a new appointee and a student trainee to the extent authorized

by sections 5722 and 5723 of this title, may be transported at Government expense to, from, and between the continental United States and a post of duty outside the continental United States, or between posts of duty outside the continental United States, when—

(1) the employee is assigned to the post of duty for other than temporary duty; and

(2) the head of the agency concerned determines that it is in the interest of the Government for the employee to have the use of a motor vehicle at the post of duty.

(c) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, the privately owned motor vehicle or vehicles of an employee, including a new appointee or a student trainee for whom travel and transportation expenses are authorized under section 5723 of this title, may be transported at Government expense to a new official station of the employee when the agency determines that such transport is advantageous and cost-effective to the Government.

(d) An employee may transport only one motor vehicle under subsection (b) of this section during a 4-year period, except when the head of the agency concerned determines that replacement of the motor vehicle during the period is necessary for reasons beyond the control of the employee and is in the interest of the Government, and authorizes in advance the transportation under subsection (b) of this section of one additional privately owned motor vehicle as a replacement. When an employee has remained in continuous service outside the continental United States during the 4-year period after the date of transportation under subsection (b) of this section of his motor vehicle, the head of the agency concerned may authorize transportation under subsection (b) of this section of a replacement for that motor vehicle.

(e) When the head of an agency authorizes transportation under subsection (b) or (c) of this section of a privately owned motor vehicle, the transportation may be by—

(1) commercial means, if available at reasonable rates and under reasonable conditions; or

(2) Government means on a space-available basis.

(f)(1) This section, except subsection (a), does not apply to—

(A) the Foreign Service of the United States; or

(B) the Central Intelligence Agency.

(2) This section, except subsection (a), does not affect section 403e(4) of title 50.¹

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 504; Pub. L. 96-465, title II, §2314(e), Oct. 17, 1980, 94 Stat. 2168; Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, §§1715(a), 1723(b)(1), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2755, 2759; Pub. L. 105-264, §6(7), Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2356.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Derivation	U.S. Code	Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large
(a)	5 U.S.C. 73c.	June 30, 1932, ch. 314, §209, 47 Stat. 405. Apr. 30, 1940, ch. 172, 54 Stat. 174.

¹ See References in Text note below.

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES—CONTINUED

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
(b)–(e)	5 U.S.C. 73b–1(f).	Aug. 13, 1946, ch. 957, § 1131(64), 60 Stat. Stat. 1040. Sept. 6, 1960, Pub. L. 86–707, § 321, 74 Stat. 797. Feb. 5, 1964, Pub. L. 88–266, 78 Stat. 8.

In subsection (a), the proviso in former section 73c is omitted as superseded by section 2634 of title 10, and by former section 73b–1(f), which is carried into subsections (b)–(e).

In subsection (b), the words “including a new appointee and a student trainee to the extent authorized by sections 5722 and 5723 of this title” are substituted for “including any new appointee, in accordance with section 73b–3 of this title” for clarity and reflect the codification of former section 73b–3 in this title. The words “at Government expense” are inserted for clarity.

The last sentence of subsection (f) of former section 73b–1 which provided that for the purposes of that subsection and subsection (e), which is carried into section 5726, Alaska shall be considered to be outside the continental limits of the United States is omitted as unnecessary in view of the definition of “continental United States” in section 5721(4).

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 403e of title 50, referred to in subsec. (f)(2), was editorially reclassified to section 3505 of Title 50, War and National Defense.

AMENDMENTS

1998—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 105–264 substituted “continental United States” for “United States”.

1996—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104–201, § 1723(b)(1), in introductory provisions, substituted “Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “Under such regulations as the President may prescribe”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 104–201, § 1715(a)(2), added subsec. (c). Former subsec. (c) redesignated (d).

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 104–201, § 1715(a)(1), redesignated subsec. (c) as (d). Former subsec. (d) redesignated (e).

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 104–201, § 1715(a)(3), inserted “or (c)” after “subsection (b)”.

Pub. L. 104–201, § 1715(a)(1), redesignated subsec. (d) as (e). Former subsec. (e) redesignated (f).

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 104–201, § 1715(a)(1), redesignated subsec. (e) as (f).

1980—Subsec. (e)(2). Pub. L. 96–465 substituted “section 403e(4) of title 50” for “(A) section 1138 of title 22; or” and struck out “(B) section 403e(4) of title 50”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104–201 effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104–201, set out as a note under section 5722 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96–465 effective Feb. 15, 1981, except as otherwise provided, see section 2403 of Pub. L. 96–465, set out as an Effective Date note under section 3901 of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse.

§ 5728. Travel and transportation expenses; vacation leave

(a) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, an agency shall pay from its

appropriations the expenses of round-trip travel of an employee, and the transportation of his immediate family, but not household goods, from his post of duty outside the continental United States, Alaska, and Hawaii to the place of his actual residence at the time of appointment or transfer to the post of duty, after he has satisfactorily completed an agreed period of service outside the continental United States, Alaska, and Hawaii and is returning to his actual place of residence to take leave before serving another tour of duty at the same or another post of duty outside the continental United States, Alaska, and Hawaii under a new written agreement made before departing from the post of duty.

(b) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, an agency shall pay from its appropriations the expenses of round-trip travel of an employee of the Government appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for a term fixed by statute, and of transportation of his immediate family, but not household goods, from his post of duty outside the continental United States, Alaska, and Hawaii to the place of his actual residence at the time of appointment to the post of duty, after he has satisfactorily completed each 2 years of service outside the continental United States, Alaska, and Hawaii and is returning to his actual place of residence to take leave before serving at least 2 more years of duty outside the continental United States, Alaska, and Hawaii.

(c)(1) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, an agency may pay, subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, the expenses described in paragraph (2) of this subsection in any case in which the head of the agency determines that the payment of such expenses is necessary for the purpose of recruiting or retaining an employee for service of a tour of duty at a post of duty in Alaska or Hawaii.

(2) The expenses payable under paragraph (1) of this subsection are the expenses of round-trip travel of an employee, and the transportation of his immediate family, but not household goods, from his post of duty in Alaska or Hawaii to the place of his actual residence at the time of appointment or transfer to the post of duty, incurred after he has satisfactorily completed an agreed period of service in Alaska or Hawaii and in returning to his actual place of residence to take leave before serving another tour of duty at the same or another post of duty in Alaska or Hawaii under a new written agreement made before departing from the post of duty.

(3) The payment of expenses of any employee and the transportation of his family under paragraph (1) of this subsection is limited to the expenses of travel and transportation incurred for not more than two round trips commenced within 5 years after the date the employee first commences any period of consecutive tours of duty in Alaska or Hawaii.

(d) This section does not apply to appropriations for the Foreign Service of the United States.

(Pub. L. 89–554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 505; Pub. L. 97–253, title III, § 351(a), (b), Sept. 8, 1982, 96 Stat. 800; Pub. L. 104–201, div. A, title XVII, § 1723(b)(1), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2759; Pub. L. 105–264, § 6(8), Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2356.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
(a)	5 U.S.C. 73b-3(a) (3d proviso).	Aug. 31, 1954, ch. 1155 (1st proviso), 68 Stat. 1008.
(b)	5 U.S.C. 73b-3(a) (4th proviso).	Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85-858, 72 Stat. 1274.

The first 14 words of subsections (a) and (b), and subsection (c), are added on authority of former section 73b-3(a) (less 3d-6th provisos), which is carried into section 5722.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1998—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-264 substituted “an employee of the Government” for “an employee of the United States”.

1996—Subsecs. (a) to (c)(1). Pub. L. 104-201, §1723(b)(1), substituted “Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “Under such regulations as the President may prescribe”.

1982—Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 97-253, §351(a), inserted “, Alaska, and Hawaii” after “continental United States” wherever appearing.

Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 97-253, §351(b), added subsec. (c) and redesignated former subsec. (c) as (d).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-201 effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as a note under section 5722 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1982 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 97-253, title III, §351(c), (d), Sept. 8, 1982, 96 Stat. 800, as amended by Pub. L. 97-346, §3(m), Oct. 15, 1982, 96 Stat. 1649, provided that:

“(c)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect with respect to expenses incurred after the date of enactment of this Act [Sept. 8, 1982] for round-trip travel (commenced after such date) of an employee or transportation of his immediate family from his post of duty to the place of his actual residence at the time of appointment or transfer to the post of duty.

“(2) The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall not apply to any employee who is serving a tour of duty at a post of duty in Alaska or Hawaii on the date of the enactment of this Act [Sept. 8, 1982] during—

“(A) such tour of duty, and

“(B) any other consecutive tour of duty following such tour of duty.

“(d) For the purposes of subsection (c), the term ‘employee’ shall have the same meaning as provided in section 5721(2) of title 5, United States Code.”

§ 5729. Transportation expenses; prior return of family

(a) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, an agency shall pay from its appropriations, not more than once before the return to the United States of an employee whose post of duty is outside the continental United States, the expenses of transporting his immediate family and of shipping his household goods and personal effects from his post of duty to his actual place of residence when—

(1) he has acquired eligibility for that transportation; or

(2) the public interest requires the return of the immediate family for compelling personal reasons of a humanitarian or compassionate nature, such as may involve physical or mental health, death of a member of the immediate family, or obligation imposed by authority or circumstances over which the individual has no control.

(b) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, an agency shall reimburse from its appropriations an employee whose post of duty is outside the continental United States for the proper transportation expenses of returning his immediate family and his household goods and personal effects to the United States, when—

(1) their return was made at the expense of the employee before his return and for other than reasons of public interest; and

(2) he acquires eligibility for those transportation expenses.

(c) This section does not apply to appropriations for the Foreign Service of the United States.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 505; Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, §1723(b)(1), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2759; Pub. L. 105-264, §6(9), Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2356.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
.....	5 U.S.C. 73b-3(a) (5th and 6th provisos).	Aug. 31, 1954, ch. 1155 (less 1st proviso), 68 Stat. 1008.

The first 14 words of subsections (a) and (b), and subsection (c), are added on authority of former section 73b-3(a) (less 3d-6th provisos), which is carried into section 5722. The words “household effects” and “household goods” in the 5th and 6th provisos of former section 73b-3(a) are changed to “household goods and personal effects” for clarity and consistency in the use of the words elsewhere in this subchapter.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1998—Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 105-264 struck out “or its territories or possessions” after “to the United States”.

1996—Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 104-201 substituted “Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “Under such regulations as the President may prescribe”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-201 effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as a note under section 5722 of this title.

§ 5730. Funds available

Funds available for travel expenses of an employee are available for expenses of transportation of his immediate family, and funds available for transportation of things are available for transportation of household goods and personal effects, as authorized by this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 506.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
.....	5 U.S.C. 73b-1(c).	Aug. 2, 1946, ch. 744, §1(c). 60 Stat. 807.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

§ 5731. Expenses limited to lowest first-class rate

(a) The allowance for actual expenses for transportation may not exceed the lowest first-class rate by the transportation facility used unless it is certified, in accordance with regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, that—

(1) lowest first-class accommodations are not available; or

(2) use of a compartment or other accommodation authorized or approved by the head of the agency concerned or his designee is required for security purposes.

(b) Instead of the maximum fixed by subsection (a) of this section, the allowance to an employee of the Government for actual expenses for transportation on an inter-island steamship in Hawaii may not exceed the rate for accommodations on the steamship that is equivalent as nearly as possible to the rate for the lowest first-class accommodations on trans-pacific steamships.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 506; Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, §1723(b)(4), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2759; Pub. L. 105-264, §6(10), Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2356.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
(a)	5 U.S.C. 73b.	Mar. 3, 1933, ch. 212, §10, 47 Stat. 1516. Aug. 2, 1946, ch. 744, §6, 60 Stat. 808.
(b)	5 U.S.C. 73e.	May 28, 1938, ch. 289, §811, 52 Stat. 577.

In subsection (a), the words “by or under authority of law” are omitted as surplusage.

In subsection (b), the words “by or under authority of law” are omitted as surplusage. The words “after the date of the enactment of this Act” are omitted as obsolete.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1998—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-264 substituted “Government” for “United States”.

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-201 substituted “in accordance with regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title” for “in accordance with regulations prescribed by the President”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-201 effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as a note under section 5722 of this title.

§ 5732. General average contribution; payment or reimbursement

Under such regulations as the President may prescribe, appropriations chargeable for the transportation of baggage and household goods and personal effects of employees of the Government, volunteers as defined by section 8142(a) of this title, and members of the uniformed services are available for the payment or reimbursement of general average contributions required. Appropriations are not available for the payment or reimbursement of general average contributions—

(1) required in connection with and applicable to quantities of baggage and household goods and personal effects in excess of quantities authorized by statute or regulation to be transported;

(2) when the individual concerned is allowed under statute or regulation a commutation instead of actual transportation expenses; or

(3) when the individual concerned selected the means of shipment.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 506; Pub. L. 105-264, §6(11), Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2356.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
.....	5 U.S.C. 73b-5.	June 4, 1954, ch. 264, §4, 68 Stat. 176.
.....	22 U.S.C. 2504(h) (as applicable to 5 U.S.C. 73b-5).	Dec. 13, 1963, Pub. L. 88-200, §2(e) (as applicable to the Act of June 4, 1954, ch. 264, §4 (5 U.S.C. 73b-5)), 77 Stat. 360.

The word “personal” is added before the word “effects” for clarity and to preserve consistency throughout this subchapter. The words “employees of the United States . . . and members of the uniformed services” are substituted for “military personnel and civilian employees of departments and agencies of the Federal Government”. The words “a volunteer as defined by section 8142(a) of this title” are based on sections 2504(a), 2505, and 2507 (a) of title 22. The words “pursuant to law” are omitted as unnecessary.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1998—Pub. L. 105-264 substituted “Government” for “United States” in introductory provisions.

Executive Documents

EX. ORD. NO. 10614. PAYMENT OF GENERAL-AVERAGE CONTRIBUTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH TRANSPORTATION OF EFFECTS

Ex. Ord. No. 10614, May 25, 1955, 20 F.R. 3699, provided: SECTION 1. *Definitions*. As used in these regulations:

(a) The term “military personnel” means members and former and deceased members of the uniformed services as defined in section 102 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 804) [37 U.S.C. 101].

(b) The term “civilian employees” means civilian officers and employees of a department, including Foreign Service personnel, and former and deceased civilian officers and employees.

(c) The terms “military personnel” and “civilian employees” shall also include those individuals enumer-

ated under the term “person” as defined in section 1 of the Missing Persons Act, as amended [now section 5561 of this title].

(d) The term “department” means an executive department, independent establishment, or other agency of the Federal Government, including wholly-owned or controlled Government corporations.

(e) The term “general-average contribution” means the contribution by all parties to a sea venture (1) to make good the loss sustained by any one of their number on account of voluntary sacrifices made of part of the ship or cargo to save the residue or the lives of those on board from impending peril, or (2) for extraordinary expenses necessarily incurred for the common benefit and safety of all.

(f) The term “household goods” means such baggage, household goods, and effects, including privately-owned automobiles and professional books, papers, and equipment, of military personnel and civilian employees as are authorized to be transported at Government expense by law or regulations pursuant to law.

SEC. 2. *Allowance of general-average contributions.* Whenever military personnel or civilian employees of a department are liable for general-average contributions arising out of shipments of household goods (as defined in section 1 (f) hereof), authorized or approved under law or regulations pursuant to law, disbursements shall be made, under rules and regulations prescribed by the head of the department concerned, from appropriations chargeable for the transportation of baggage and household goods and effects (a) for the payment of the general-average contributions for which such military personnel or civilian employees are liable, or (b) for the reimbursement of such military personnel or civilian employees in the amounts of their general-average liability paid by them and for which receipts are furnished, subject to the limitations set forth in section 3 hereof.

SEC. 3. *Limitations.* The provisions of section 2 hereof shall not apply:

(a) In case the shipment of household goods is made under law or regulation pursuant to law which provides for reimbursement to the military person or civilian employee concerned on a commuted basis in lieu of payment by the Government of the actual costs of the shipment; or

(b) In case the military person or civilian employee concerned has himself selected the means of shipment; or

(c) To quantities of household goods (excluding automobiles) shipped in excess of quantities authorized to be transported by law or regulation pursuant to law. In any case of such excess shipment, the liability of the Government for the employee’s general-average contribution shall not exceed the proportion that the applicable limitation, by weight or volume, bears to the total quantity, by weight or volume, of the household goods shipped.

SEC. 4. *Effective date.* This order shall be effective in any case in which the loss involved occurs, or has occurred, on or after June 4, 1954.

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§ 5733. Expeditious travel

The travel of an employee shall be by the most expeditious means of transportation practicable and shall be commensurate with the nature and purpose of the duties of the employee requiring such travel.

(Added Pub. L. 90-206, title II, § 222(c)(1), Dec. 16, 1967, 81 Stat. 641.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective thirty days after Dec. 16, 1967, see section 220(a)(4) of Pub. L. 90-206, set out as an Effective

Date of 1967 Amendment note under section 5542 of this title.

§ 5734. Travel, transportation, and relocation expenses of employees transferred from the Postal Service

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, officers and employees of the United States Postal Service promoted or transferred under section 1006 of title 39, United States Code, from the Postal Service to an agency (as defined in section 5721 of this title), for permanent duty may be authorized travel, transportation, and relocation expenses and allowances under the same conditions and to the same extent authorized by this subchapter for other transferred employees within the meaning of this chapter.

(Added Pub. L. 99-234, title I, § 106(a), Jan. 2, 1986, 99 Stat. 1758.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective (1) on effective date of regulations to be promulgated not later than 150 days after Jan. 2, 1986, or (2) 180 days after Jan. 2, 1986, whichever occurs first, see section 301(a) of Pub. L. 99-234, set out as an Effective Date of 1986 Amendment note under section 5701 of this title.

§ 5735. Travel, transportation, and relocation expenses of employees transferring to the United States Postal Service

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, employees of the Department of Defense described in subsection (b) may be authorized travel, transportation, and relocation expenses and allowances in connection with appointments referred to in such subsection under the same conditions and to the same extent authorized by this subchapter for transferred employees.

(b) COVERED EMPLOYEES.—Subsection (a) applies to any employee of the Department of Defense who—

(1) is scheduled for separation from the Department, other than for cause;

(2) is selected for appointment to a continuing position with the United States Postal Service; and

(3) accepts the appointment.

(Added Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title III, § 345(a)(1), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2723.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title III, § 345(b), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2724, provided that: “The amendments made by subsection (a) [enacting this section] shall apply to persons separated from employment with the Department of Defense on or after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 5, 1994].”

§ 5736. Travel, transportation, and relocation expenses of certain nonappropriated fund employees

An employee of a nonappropriated fund instrumentality of the Department of Defense or the Coast Guard described in section 2105(c) of this title who moves, without a break in service of

more than 3 days, to a position in the Department of Defense or the Coast Guard, respectively, may be authorized travel, transportation, and relocation expenses and allowances under the same conditions and to the same extent authorized by this subchapter for transferred employees.

(Added Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVI, § 1605(a)(1), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2736.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVI, § 1605(b), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2736, provided that: "Section 5736 of title 5, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)(1)), shall apply to moves between positions as described in such section that are effective on or after October 1, 1996."

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of authorities, functions, personnel, and assets of the Coast Guard, including the authorities and functions of the Secretary of Transportation relating thereto, to the Department of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 468(b), 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

§ 5737. Relocation expenses of an employee who is performing an extended assignment

(a) Under regulations prescribed under section 5738 of this title, an agency may pay to or on behalf of an employee assigned from the employee's official station to a duty station for a period of not less than six months and not greater than 30 months, the following expenses in lieu of payment of expenses authorized under subchapter I of this chapter:

(1) Travel expenses to and from the assignment location in accordance with section 5724 of this title.

(2) Transportation expenses of the immediate family and household goods and personal effects to and from the assignment location in accordance with section 5724 of this title.

(3) A per diem allowance for en route travel of the employee's immediate family to and from the assignment location in accordance with section 5724a(a) of this title.

(4) Travel and transportation expenses of the employee and spouse to seek new residence quarters at the assignment location in accordance with section 5724a(b) of this title.

(5) Subsistence expenses of the employee and the employee's immediate family while occupying temporary quarters upon commencement and termination of the assignment in accordance with section 5724a(c) of this title.

(6) An amount, in accordance with section 5724a(f), to be used by the employee for miscellaneous expenses of this title.¹

(7) The expenses of transporting a privately owned motor vehicle or vehicles to the assignment location in accordance with section 5727 of this title.

(8) An allowance as authorized under section 5724b of this title for Federal, State, and local

income taxes incurred on reimbursement of expenses paid under this section or on services provided in kind under this section.

(9) Expenses of nontemporary storage of household goods and personal effects as defined in section 5726(a) of this title, subject to the limitation that the weight of the household goods and personal effects stored, together with the weight of property transported under section 5724(a) of this title, may not exceed the total maximum weight which could be transported in accordance with section 5724(a) of this title.

(10) Expenses of property management services.

(b) An agency shall not make payment under this section to or on behalf of the employee for expenses incurred after termination of the temporary assignment.

(Added Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, § 1716, Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2756.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as an Effective Date of 1996 Amendment note under section 5722 of this title.

§ 5737a. Employees temporarily deployed in contingency operations

(a) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

(1) the term "covered employee" means an individual who—

(A) is an employee of an Executive agency or a military department, excluding a Government controlled corporation; and

(B) is assigned on a temporary change of station in support of a contingency operation;

(2) the term "temporary change of station", as used with respect to an employee, means an assignment—

(A) from the employee's official duty station to a temporary duty station; and

(B) for which such employee is eligible for expenses under section 5737; and

(3) the term "contingency operation" has the meaning given such term by section 1482a(c) of title 10.

(b) QUARTERS AND RATIONS.—The head of an agency may provide quarters and rations, without charge, to any covered employee of such agency during the period of such employee's temporary assignment (as described in subsection (a)(1)(B)).

(c) STORAGE OF MOTOR VEHICLE.—The head of an agency may provide for the storage, without charge, or for the reimbursement of the cost of storage, of a motor vehicle that is owned or leased by a covered employee of such agency (or by a dependent of such an employee) and that is for the personal use of the covered employee. This subsection shall apply—

(1) with respect to storage during the period of the employee's temporary assignment (as described in subsection (a)(1)(B)); and

¹ So in original.

(2) in the case of a covered employee, with respect to not more than one motor vehicle as of any given time.

(d) **RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER BENEFITS.**—Any benefits under this section shall be in addition to (and not in lieu of) any other benefits for which the covered employee is otherwise eligible.

(Added Pub. L. 110-181, div. A, title XI, §1104(a), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 346.)

§ 5738. Regulations

(a)(1) Except as specifically provided in this subchapter, the Administrator of General Services shall prescribe regulations necessary for the administration of this subchapter.

(2) The Administrator of General Services shall include in the regulations authority for the head of an agency or his designee to waive any limitation of this subchapter or in any implementing regulation for any employee relocating to or from a remote or isolated location who would suffer hardship if the limitation were not waived. A waiver of a limitation under authority provided in the regulations pursuant to this paragraph shall be effective notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter.

(b) In prescribing regulations for the implementation of section 5724b of this title, the Administrator of General Services shall consult with the Secretary of the Treasury.

(c) The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe regulations necessary for the implementation of section 5735 of this title.

(Added Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVII, §1722, Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2758.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 180 days after Sept. 23, 1996, see section 1725(a) of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as an Effective Date of 1996 Amendment note under section 5722 of this title.

§ 5739. Authority for relocation expenses test programs

(a)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter, under a test program which the Administrator of General Services determines to be in the interest of the Government and approves, an agency may pay through the proper disbursing official any necessary relocation expenses in lieu of any payment otherwise authorized or required under this subchapter. An agency shall include in any request to the Administrator for approval of such a test program an analysis of the expected costs and benefits and a set of criteria for evaluating the effectiveness of the program.

(2) Any test program conducted under this section shall be designed to enhance cost savings or other efficiencies that accrue to the Government.

(b) The Administrator shall transmit a copy of any test program approved or extended by the Administrator under this section to the appropriate committees of the Congress at least 30 days before the effective date of the program or extension.

(c)(1) An agency authorized to conduct a test program under subsection (a) shall annually submit a report on the results of the program to date to the Administrator.

(2) Not later than 3 months after completion of a test program, the agency conducting the program shall submit a final report on the results of the program to the Administrator and the appropriate committees of Congress.

(d) No more than 12 test programs under this section may be conducted simultaneously.

(e)(1) The Administrator may not approve any test program for an initial period of more than 4 years.

(2)(A) Upon the request of the agency administering a test program, the Administrator may extend the program.

(B) An extension under subparagraph (A) may not exceed 4 years.

(C) The Administrator may exercise more than 1 extension under subparagraph (A) with respect to any test program.

(Added Pub. L. 105-264, §5(b), Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2355; amended Pub. L. 109-325, §1(a), Oct. 11, 2006, 120 Stat. 1760; Pub. L. 111-112, §1(a), Nov. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 3024.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2009—Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 111-112, §1(a)(1), struck out par. (3) which read as follows: “Nothing in this section is intended to limit the authority of any agency to conduct test programs.”

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 111-112, §1(a)(2), inserted “or extended” after “approved” and “or extension” after “of the program”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 111-112, §1(a)(3), added subsec. (c) and struck out former subsec. (c) which read as follows: “An agency authorized to conduct a test program under subsection (a) shall provide to the Administrator and the appropriate committees of the Congress a report on the results of the program no later than 3 months after completion of the program.”

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 111-112, §1(a)(4), substituted “12” for “10”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 111-112, §1(a)(5), added subsec. (e) and struck out former subsec. (e) which read as follows: “The authority to conduct test programs under this section shall expire 11 years after the date of the enactment of the Travel and Transportation Reform Act of 1998.”

2006—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 109-325, §1(a)(1), struck out “for a period not to exceed 24 months” after “disbursing official”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 109-325, §1(a)(2), substituted “11 years” for “7 years”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2009 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 111-112, §1(b), Nov. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 3025, provided that: “This section [amending this section] shall take effect on December 18, 2009.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2006 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 109-325, §1(b), Oct. 11, 2006, 120 Stat. 1760, provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect as though enacted as part of the Travel and Transportation Reform Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-264; 112 Stat. 2350).”

SUBCHAPTER III—TRANSPORTATION OF
REMAINS, DEPENDENTS, AND EFFECTS

§ 5741. General prohibition

Except as specifically authorized by statute, the head of an Executive department or military department may not authorize an expenditure in connection with the transportation of remains of a deceased employee.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 506.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
.....	5 U.S.C. 103.	June 7, 1897, ch. 3, §1 (last proviso on p. 86), 30 Stat. 86.

The words “a military department” are inserted to preserve the application of the source law. Before enactment of the National Security Act Amendments of 1949 (63 Stat. 578), the Department of the Army, the Department of the Navy, and the Department of the Air Force were Executive departments. The National Security Act Amendments of 1949 established the Department of Defense as an Executive Department including the Department of the Army, the Department of the Navy, and the Department of the Air Force as military departments, not as Executive departments. However, the source law for this section, which was in effect in 1949, remained applicable to the Secretaries of the military departments by virtue of section 12(g) of the National Security Act Amendments of 1949 (63 Stat. 591), which is set out in the reviser’s note for section 301.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

§ 5742. Transportation of remains, dependents, and effects; death occurring away from official station or abroad

(a) For the purpose of this section, “agency” means—

- (1) an Executive agency;
- (2) a military department;
- (3) an agency in the legislative branch; and
- (4) an agency in the judicial branch.

(b) When an employee dies, the head of the agency concerned, under regulations prescribed by the President and, except as otherwise provided by law, may pay from appropriations available for the activity in which the employee was engaged—

(1) the expense of preparing and transporting the remains to the home or official station of the employee, or such other place appropriate for interment as is determined by the head of the agency concerned, if death occurred while the employee was in a travel status away from his official station in the United States or while performing official duties outside the continental United States or in transit thereto or therefrom;

(2) the expense of transporting his dependents, including expenses of packing, crating, draying, and transporting household effects and other personal property to his former home or such other place as is determined by the head of the agency concerned, if—

(A) the employee died while performing official duties outside the continental United States or in transit thereto or therefrom; or

(B) in the case of an employee who was a party to a mandatory mobility agreement that was in effect when the employee died—

(i) the employee died in the circumstances described in subparagraph (A); or

(ii)(I) the employee died as a result of disease or injury incurred while performing official duties—

(aa) in an overseas location that, at the time such employee was performing such official duties, was within the area of responsibility of the Commander of the United States Central Command; and

(bb) in direct support of or directly related to a military operation, including a contingency operation (as defined in section 101(13)¹ of title 10) or an operation in response to an emergency declared by the President; and

(II) the employee’s dependents were residing either outside the continental United States or within the continental United States when the employee died; and

(3) the travel expenses of not more than 2 persons to escort the remains of a deceased employee, if death occurred while the employee was in travel status away from his official station in the United States or while performing official duties outside the United States or in transit thereto or therefrom, from the place of death to the home or official station of such person, or such other place appropriate for interment as is determined by the head of the agency concerned.

(c) When a dependent of an employee dies while residing with the employee performing official duties outside the continental United States or in Alaska or in transit thereto or therefrom, the head of the agency concerned may pay the necessary expenses of transporting the remains to the home of the dependent, or such other place appropriate for interment as is determined by the head of the agency concerned. If practicable, the agency concerned in respect of the deceased may furnish mortuary services and supplies on a reimbursable basis when—

(1) local commercial mortuary facilities and supplies are not available; or

(2) the cost of available mortuary facilities and supplies are prohibitive in the opinion of the head of the agency.

Reimbursement for the cost of mortuary services and supplies furnished under this subsection shall be collected and credited to current appropriations available for the payment of these costs.

(d) The benefits of this section may not be denied because the deceased was temporarily absent from duty when death occurred.

(e) Employees covered by this section include an employee who has been reassigned away from the employee’s home of record pursuant to a mandatory mobility agreement executed as a condition of employment.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 507; Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XII, §1206(d), Nov. 5, 1990, 104

¹ See References in Text note below.