

Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title X, §1087(a)(20)(D)], substituted “during the period beginning on October 5, 1999, and ending on April 5, 2000,” for “within six months of the date of the enactment of this section”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

TRANSITION PROVISION

Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title V, §525(b)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-109, as amended by Pub. L. 107-107, div. A, title X, §1048(f)(1), Dec. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 1228, provided that:

“(1) An individual who before the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 30, 2000] was involuntarily separated or retired from employment as an Army Reserve or Air Force Reserve technician under section 10218 of title 10, United States Code, and who would not have been so separated if the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of that section, as amended by subsection (a), had been in effect at the time of such separation may, with the approval of the Secretary concerned, be reinstated to the technician status held by that individual immediately before that separation. The effective date of any such reinstatement is the date the employee resumes technician status.

“(2) The authority under paragraph (1) applies only to reinstatement for which an application is received by the Secretary concerned before the end of the one-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 30, 2000].”

TEMPORARY PROVISION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR SEPARATION OR RETIREMENT

Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title V, §522(a)(3), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 597, provided that: “During the six-month period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 5, 1999], the provisions of subsections (a)(3)(B)(ii)(I) and (b)(2)(B)(ii)(I) of section 10218 of title 10, United States Code, as added by paragraph (1), shall be applied by substituting ‘six months’ for ‘30 days.’”

§ 10219. Suicide prevention and resilience program

(a) PROGRAM REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish and carry out a program to provide members of the National Guard and Reserves and their families with training in suicide prevention, resilience, and community healing and response to suicide, including provision of such training at Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program events and activities authorized under section 582 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (10 U.S.C. 10101 note).

(b) SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING.—Under the program, the Secretary shall provide members of the National Guard and Reserves with training in suicide prevention. Such training may include—

(1) describing the warning signs for suicide and teaching effective strategies for prevention and intervention;

(2) examining the influence of military culture on risk and protective factors for suicide; and

(3) engaging in interactive case scenarios and role plays to practice effective intervention strategies.

(c) COMMUNITY RESPONSE TRAINING.—Under the program, the Secretary shall provide the families and communities of members of the National Guard and Reserves with training in responses to suicide that promote individual and

community healing. Such training may include—

(1) enhancing collaboration among community members and local service providers to create an integrated, coordinated community response to suicide;

(2) communicating best practices for preventing suicide, including safe messaging, appropriate memorial services, and media guidelines;

(3) addressing the impact of suicide on the military and the larger community, and the increased risk that can result; and

(4) managing resources to assist key community and military service providers in helping the families, friends, and fellow servicemembers of a suicide victim through the processes of grieving and healing.

(d) COMMUNITY TRAINING ASSISTANCE.—The program shall include the provision of assistance with such training to the local communities of those servicemembers and families, to be provided in coordination with local community programs.

(e) COLLABORATION.—In carrying out the program, the Secretary shall collect and analyze “lessons learned” and suggestions from State National Guard and Reserve organizations with existing or developing suicide prevention and community response programs.

(f) OUTREACH FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE RESERVE COMPONENTS.—(1) Upon the request of an adjutant general of a State, the Secretary may share with the adjutant general the contact information of members described in paragraph (2) who reside in such State in order for the adjutant general to include such members in suicide prevention efforts conducted under this section.

(2) Members described in this paragraph are—
(A) members of the Individual Ready Reserve; and

(B) members of a reserve component who are individual mobilization augmentees.

(g) TRIENNIAL EVALUATION.—The Secretary shall evaluate the program every third year beginning in 2022 until the program terminates to determine whether the program effectively—

(1) provides training and assistance under subsections (b), (c), and (d); and

(2) implements subsection (e).

(Added Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title V, §581(a)(1), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1764; amended Pub. L. 113-66, div. A, title V, §511(a), Dec. 26, 2013, 127 Stat. 751; Pub. L. 114-328, div. A, title V, §565, Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2138; Pub. L. 115-91, div. A, title V, §544, Dec. 12, 2017, 131 Stat. 1396; Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title V, §515, Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1349; Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title V, §514, Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3588.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 582 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, referred to in subsec. (a), is section 582 of Pub. L. 110-181, which is set out as a note under section 10101 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2021—Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 116-283 struck out subsec. (h). Text read as follows: “The program under this section shall terminate on October 1, 2025.”

2019—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 116-92 added subsec. (g). Former subsec. (g) redesignated (h).

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 116-92, §515(1), (2), redesignated subsec. (g) as (h) and substituted “2025” for “2020”.

2017—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 115-91 substituted “October 1, 2020” for “October 1, 2018”.

2016—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 114-328 substituted “October 1, 2018” for “October 1, 2017”.

2013—Subsecs. (f), (g). Pub. L. 113-66 added subsec. (f) and redesignated former subsec. (f) as (g).

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NATIONAL GUARD SUICIDE PREVENTION PILOT PROGRAM

Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title VII, §739, Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1464, provided that:

“(a) PILOT PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—The Chief of the National Guard Bureau may carry out a pilot program to expand suicide prevention and intervention efforts at the community level through the use of a mobile application that provides the capability for a member of the National Guard to receive prompt support, including access to a behavioral health professional, on a smartphone, tablet computer, or other handheld mobile device.

“(b) ELEMENTS.—The pilot program shall include, subject to such conditions as the Secretary may prescribe—

“(1) the use by members of the National Guard of an existing mobile application that provides the capability described in subsection (a); or

“(2) the development and use of a new mobile application that provides such capability.

“(c) ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS.—The Chief of the National Guard Bureau shall establish requirements with respect to eligibility and participation in the pilot program.

“(d) ASSESSMENT PRIOR TO PILOT PROGRAM COMMENCEMENT.—Prior to commencement of the pilot program, the Chief of the National Guard Bureau shall—

“(1) conduct an assessment of existing prevention and intervention efforts of the National Guard in each State that include the use of mobile applications that provide the capability described in subsection (a) to determine best practices for providing immediate and localized care through the use of such mobile applications; and

“(2) determine the feasibility of expanding existing programs on a national scale.

“(e) RESPONSIBILITIES OF ENTITIES PARTICIPATING IN PILOT PROGRAM.—Each entity that participates in the pilot program shall—

“(1) share best practices with other entities participating in the program; and

“(2) annually assess outcomes with respect to members of the National Guard.

“(f) TERM.—The pilot program shall terminate on the date that is three years after the date on which the pilot program commenced.

“(g) REPORTS.—

“(1) INITIAL REPORT.—If the Chief of the National Guard Bureau commences the pilot program authorized under subsection (a), not later than 180 days after the date of the commencement of such program, the Chief shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report containing a description of the pilot program and such other matters as the Chief considers appropriate.

“(2) FINAL REPORT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the termination of the pilot program, the Chief of the National Guard Bureau shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on such pilot program.

“(B) MATTERS INCLUDED.—The report under subparagraph (A) shall include the following:

“(i) A description of the pilot program, including any partnerships entered into by the Chief of the National Guard Bureau under the program.

“(ii) An assessment of the effectiveness of the pilot program.

“(iii) A description of costs associated with the implementation of the pilot program.

“(iv) The estimated costs of making the pilot program permanent.

“(v) A recommendation as to whether the pilot program should be extended or made permanent.

“(vi) Such other recommendations for legislative or administrative action as the Chief of the National Guard Bureau considers appropriate.

“(h) STATE DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘State’ means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the United States Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.”

CHAPTER 1009—RESERVE FORCES POLICY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

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2006—Pub. L. 109-163, div. A, title V, §515(b)(4)(G), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3235, substituted “Navy Reserve” for “Naval Reserve” in item 10303.

§ 10301. Reserve Forces Policy Board

(a) IN GENERAL.—As provided in section 175 of this title, there is in the Office of the Secretary of Defense a board known as the “Reserve Forces Policy Board” (in this section referred to as the “Board”).

(b) FUNCTIONS.—The Board shall serve as an independent adviser to the Secretary of Defense to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary on strategies, policies, and practices designed to improve and enhance the capabilities, efficiency, and effectiveness of the reserve components.

(c) MEMBERSHIP.—The Board consists of 20 members, appointed or designated as follows:

(1) A civilian appointed by the Secretary of Defense from among persons determined by the Secretary to have the knowledge of, and experience in, policy matters relevant to national security and reserve component matters necessary to carry out the duties of chair of the Board, who shall serve as chair of the Board.

(2) Two active or retired reserve officers or enlisted members designated by the Secretary of Defense upon the recommendation of the Secretary of the Army—

(A) one of whom shall be a member of the Army National Guard of the United States or a former member of the Army National Guard of the United States in the Retired Reserve; and

(B) one of whom shall be a member or retired member of the Army Reserve.

(3) Two active or retired reserve officers or enlisted members designated by the Secretary of Defense upon the recommendation of the Secretary of the Navy—

(A) one of whom shall be an active or retired officer of the Navy Reserve; and