

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title IX, §921(c), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3805, provided that: “The amendments made by this section [enacting this section and section 9084 of this title relating to general duties of the Office of the Chief of Space Operations, repealing former section 9083 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as a note below] shall take effect on the date on which the Secretary of the Air Force and the Chief of Space Operations jointly submit to the congressional defense committees [Committees on Armed Services and Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives] a report detailing the functions that the headquarters staff of the Department of the Air Force will continue to perform in support of the Space Force.”

## NO AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL MILITARY BILLETS

Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title IX, §921(d), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3806, provided that: “The Secretary shall establish the Office of the Chief of Space Operations under section 9083 of title 10, United States Code [now 10 U.S.C. 9084], as amended by subsection (a), using military personnel otherwise authorized. Nothing in this section [enacting this section and section 9084 of this title relating to general duties of the Office of the Chief of Space Operations, repealing former section 9083 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as a note above] or the amendments made by this section shall be construed to authorize additional military billets for the purposes of, or in connection with, the establishment of the Office of the Chief of Space Operations.”

**§ 9085. Office of the Chief of Space Operations: general duties**

(a) PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE.—The Office of the Chief of Space Operations shall furnish professional assistance to the Secretary, the Under Secretary, and the Assistant Secretaries of the Air Force and to the Chief of Space Operations.

(b) AUTHORITIES.—Under the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of the Air Force, the Office of the Chief of Space Operations shall—

(1) subject to subsections (c) and (d) of section 9014 of this title, prepare for such employment of the Space Force, and for such recruiting, organizing, supplying, equipping (including research and development), training, servicing, mobilizing, demobilizing, administering, and maintaining of the Space Force, as will assist in the execution of any power, duty, or function of the Secretary of the Air Force or the Chief of Space Operations;

(2) investigate and report upon the efficiency of the Space Force and its preparation to support military operations by commanders of the combatant commands;

(3) prepare detailed instructions for the execution of approved plans and supervise the execution of those plans and instructions;

(4) as directed by the Secretary of the Air Force or the Chief of Space Operations, coordinate the action of organizations of the Space Force; and

(5) perform such other duties, not otherwise assigned by law, as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Air Force.

(Added Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title IX, §921(a), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3805, §9084; renumbered §9085, Pub. L. 118-159, div. A, title V, §509C(a)(1), Dec. 23, 2024, 138 Stat. 1873.)

**Editorial Notes**

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 9085 was renumbered section 9086 of this title.

## AMENDMENTS

2024—Pub. L. 118-159 renumbered section 9084 of this title as this section.

**§ 9086. Regular Space Force: composition**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Regular Space Force is the component of the Space Force that consists of persons whose continuous service on active duty in both peace and war is contemplated by law, and of retired members of the Regular Space Force.

(b) COMPOSITION.—The Regular Space Force includes—

(1) the officers and enlisted members of the Regular Space Force; and

(2) the retired officers and enlisted members of the Regular Space Force.

(Added Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title IX, §922(d), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3807, §9085; renumbered §9086, Pub. L. 118-159, div. A, title V, §509C(a)(1), Dec. 23, 2024, 138 Stat. 1873.)

## REPEAL OF SECTION

*Pub. L. 118-31, div. A, title XVII, §1735(c), Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 677, provided that, effective on the date on which the certification by the Secretary of the Air Force is submitted under section 1735(a) of Pub. L. 118-31, this section is repealed.*

**Editorial Notes**

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 9086 was renumbered section 9087 of this title.

## AMENDMENTS

2024—Pub. L. 118-159 renumbered section 9085 of this title as this section.

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## EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective on the date on which the certification by the Secretary of the Air Force is submitted under section 1735(a) of Pub. L. 118-31, see section 1735(c)(2) of Pub. L. 118-31, set out in a Transitions Provisions note under section 20001 of this title.

**§ 9087. Space Development Agency**

(a) IN GENERAL.—(1) There is a Space Development Agency of the Department of Defense (in this section referred to as the “Agency”). The Director of the Space Development Agency shall be the head of the Agency.

(2) Effective on October 1, 2022—

(A) the Agency shall be an element of the Space Force; and

(B) the Director shall report—

(i) pursuant to section 9016(b)(6)(B)(iv)(III) of this title, to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space Acquisition and Integration with respect to acquisition decisions; and

(ii) directly to the Chief of Space Operations with respect to requirements deci-