

AMENDMENTS

2021—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 116-283 substituted “individual” for “person”.

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 541 of this title as this section.

2014—Pub. L. 113-281 renumbered section 514 of this title as this section.

1996—Subsec. (g)(1). Pub. L. 104-201, § 652(b)(1), substituted “qualified adoption agency.” for “State or local government agency which has responsibility under State or local law for child placement through adoption or by a nonprofit, voluntary adoption agency which is authorized by State or local law to place children for adoption.”

Subsec. (g)(3). Pub. L. 104-201, § 652(b)(2), added par. (3).

1992—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 102-484 inserted a close parenthesis before period at end.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 5, 1991, and applicable to adoptions completed on or after that date, see section 651(c) of Pub. L. 102-190, set out as a note under section 1052 of Title 10, Armed Forces.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR ADOPTIONS COMPLETED DURING INTERIM BETWEEN TEST AND PERMANENT PROGRAM

For provisions relating to reimbursement for adoption expenses and time period for application, see section 652 of Pub. L. 102-484, set out as a note under section 1052 of Title 10, Armed Forces.

§ 2904. Education and training opportunities for Coast Guard spouses

(a) TUITION ASSISTANCE.—The Commandant may provide, subject to the availability of appropriations, tuition assistance to an eligible spouse to facilitate the acquisition of—

(1) education and training required for a degree or credential at an accredited college, university, or technical school in the United States that expands employment and portable career opportunities for the spouse; or

(2) education prerequisites and a professional license or credential required, by a government or government-sanctioned licensing body, for an occupation that expands employment and portable career opportunities for the spouse.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the following definitions apply:

(1) ELIGIBLE SPOUSE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term “eligible spouse” means the spouse of a member of the Coast Guard who is serving on active duty and includes a spouse who receives transitional compensation under section 1059 of title 10.

(B) EXCLUSION.—The term “eligible spouse” does not include an individual who—

(i) is married to, but legally separated from, a member of the Coast Guard under a court order or statute of any State or territorial possession of the United States; or

(ii) is eligible for tuition assistance as a member of the Armed Forces.

(2) PORTABLE CAREER.—The term “portable career” includes an occupation that requires education, training, or both that results in a

credential that is recognized by an industry, profession, or specific type of business.

(Added Pub. L. 113-281, title II, § 214(a), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3030, § 542; renumbered § 2904, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, § 117(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4230; amended Pub. L. 116-283, div. G, title LVXXXV [LXXXV], § 8505(a)(49), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4750.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2904 was renumbered section 5104 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2021—Subsec. (b)(1)(B). Pub. L. 116-283 substituted “an individual” for “a person” in introductory provisions.

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 542 of this title as this section.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

SECOND EXPANSION OF THE MY CAREER ADVANCEMENT ACCOUNT PROGRAM FOR MILITARY SPOUSES

Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title V, § 580G, Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1410, provided that: “The spouse of a member of the Coast Guard may participate in the My Career Advancement Account program of the Department of Defense if the Coast Guard reimburses the Department of Defense.”

§ 2905. Youth sponsorship initiatives

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Commandant is authorized to establish, within any Coast Guard unit, an initiative to help integrate into new surroundings the dependent children of members of the Coast Guard who received permanent change of station orders.

(b) DESCRIPTION OF INITIATIVE.—An initiative established under subsection (a) shall—

(1) provide for the involvement of a dependent child of a member of the Coast Guard in the dependent child’s new Coast Guard community; and

(2) primarily focus on preteen and teenaged children.

(c) AUTHORITY.—In carrying out an initiative under subsection (a), the Commandant may—

(1) provide to a dependent child of a member of the Coast Guard information on youth programs and activities available in the dependent child’s new Coast Guard community; and

(2) enter into agreements with nonprofit entities to provide youth programs and activities to such child.

(Added Pub. L. 113-281, title II, § 214(a), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3030, § 543; renumbered § 2905, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, § 117(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4230.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2905 was renumbered section 5106 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 543 of this title as this section.

§ 2906. Dependent school children

(a) The Secretary may provide, out of funds appropriated to or for the use of the Coast

Guard, for the primary and secondary schooling of dependents of Coast Guard personnel stationed outside the continental United States at costs for any given area not in excess of those of the Department of Defense for the same area, when it is determined by the Secretary that the schools, if any, available in the locality are unable to provide adequately for the education of those dependents.

(b) Whenever the Secretary, under such regulations as he may prescribe, determines that schools located in the same area in which a Coast Guard facility is located are not accessible by public means of transportation on a regular basis, he may provide, out of funds appropriated to or for the use of the Coast Guard, for the transportation of dependents of Coast Guard personnel between the schools serving the area and the Coast Guard facility.

(Added Pub. L. 91-278, §1(14), June 12, 1970, 84 Stat. 306, §657; amended Pub. L. 93-430, §5, Oct. 1, 1974, 88 Stat. 1182; renumbered §544 and amended Pub. L. 113-281, title II, §214(b)(1)(C), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3033; renumbered §2906, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §117(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4230.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2906 was renumbered section 5107 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 544 of this title as this section.

2014—Pub. L. 113-281 renumbered section 657 of this title as this section and, in subsec. (a), substituted “The Secretary may” for “Except as otherwise authorized by the Act of September 30, 1950 (20 U.S.C. 236-244), the Secretary may”.

1974—Pub. L. 93-430 struck out “; transportation of” after “children” in section catchline, designated existing provisions as subsec. (b), and added subsec. (a).

SUBCHAPTER II—COAST GUARD CHILD CARE

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2018—Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §117(c)(2), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4231, inserted subchapter II designation and heading.

§ 2921. Definitions

In this subchapter, the following definitions apply:

(1) **CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT.**—The term “child abuse and neglect” has the meaning given that term in section 3 of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (42 U.S.C. 5101 note).

(2) **CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER EMPLOYEE.**—The term “child development center employee” means a civilian employee of the Coast Guard who is employed to work in a Coast Guard child development center without regard to whether the employee is paid from appropriated or nonappropriated funds.

(3) **COAST GUARD CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER.**—The term “Coast Guard child develop-

ment center” means a facility on Coast Guard property or on property under the jurisdiction of the commander of a Coast Guard unit at which child care services are provided for members of the Coast Guard.

(4) **COMPETITIVE SERVICE POSITION.**—The term “competitive service position” means a position in the competitive service (as defined in section 2102 of title 5).

(5) **FAMILY HOME DAYCARE.**—The term “family home daycare” means home-based child care services provided for a member of the Coast Guard by an individual who—

(A) is certified by the Commandant as qualified to provide home-based child care services; and

(B) provides home-based child care services on a regular basis in exchange for monetary compensation.

(Added Pub. L. 113-281, title II, §214(a), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3031, §551; renumbered §2921, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §117(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4230.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 3 of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, referred to in par. (1), is section 3 of Pub. L. 93-247, which is set out as a note under section 5101 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 551 of this title as this section.

§ 2922. Child development services

(a)(1) The Commandant may make child development services available, in such priority as the Commandant considers to be appropriate and consistent with readiness and resources and in the best interests of dependents of members and civilian employees of the Coast Guard, for—

(A) members and civilian employees of the Coast Guard;

(B) surviving dependents of service members who have died on active duty, if such dependents were beneficiaries of a Coast Guard child development service at the time of the death of such members;

(C) members of the armed forces (as defined in section 101(a) of title 10); and

(D) Federal civilian employees.

(2) Child development service benefits provided under the authority of this section shall be in addition to benefits provided under other laws.

(b)(1) The Commandant is authorized to use appropriated funds available to the Coast Guard to provide child development services.

(2)(A) The Commandant is authorized to establish, by regulations, fees to be charged parents for the attendance of children at Coast Guard child development centers.

(B) Fees to be charged, pursuant to subparagraph (A), shall be based on family income and whether a family is participating in an initiative established under section 2925(b), except that the Commandant may, on a case-by-base basis, establish fees at lower rates if such rates