

or the prospective payment of an amount that represents the value of, treatment or care provided under any TRICARE program.

(Added Pub. L. 114-328, div. A, title VII, §722(a), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2228, §520; renumbered §506, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §105(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4200; amended Pub. L. 116-283, div. G, title LVXXXV [LXXXV], §8513(a)(1), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4760.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 506, act Aug. 4, 1949, ch. 393, 63 Stat. 537, related to the issue of the national flag to be used for draping the coffin of any deceased member of the Coast Guard, prior to repeal by act July 15, 1954, ch. 507, §14(c)(5), 68 Stat. 481. For provisions relating to recovery, care, and disposition of the remains of deceased personnel of the uniformed services and deceased civilian personnel, see section 1481 of Title 10, Armed Forces.

AMENDMENTS

2021—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 116-283, §8513(a)(1)(A), inserted “as established under chapter 56 of title 10” after “Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Care Fund”.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 116-283, §8513(a)(1)(B), substituted “operations and support” for “operating expenses”.

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 520 of this title as this section.

§ 507. Appointment of judges

The Secretary may appoint civilian employees of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating as appellate military judges, available for assignment to the Coast Guard Court of Criminal Appeals as provided for in section 866(a) of title 10.

(Added Pub. L. 111-281, title II, §201(a), Oct. 15, 2010, 124 Stat. 2909, §153; renumbered §507, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §105(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4200.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 507 was renumbered section 2710 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 153 of this title as this section.

§ 508. Coast Guard health-care professionals; licensure portability

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law regarding the licensure of health-care providers, a health-care professional described in subsection (b) may practice the health profession or professions of the health-care professional at any location in any State, the District of Columbia, or a Commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States, regardless of where such health-care professional or the patient is located, if the practice is within the scope of the authorized Federal duties of such health-care professional.

(b) DESCRIBED INDIVIDUALS.—A health-care professional described in this subsection is an individual—

(1) who is—

(A) a member of the Coast Guard;

(B) a civilian employee of the Coast Guard;

(C) a member of the Public Health Service who is assigned to the Coast Guard; or

(D) any other health-care professional credentialed and privileged at a Federal health-care institution or location specially designated by the Secretary; and

(2) who—

(A) has a current license to practice medicine, osteopathic medicine, dentistry, or another health profession; and

(B) is performing authorized duties for the Coast Guard.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “license” and “health-care professional” have the meanings given those terms in section 1094(e) of title 10.

(Added Pub. L. 115-282, title III, §305(a), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4245.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 508 was renumbered section 2711 of this title.

§ 509. Space-available travel on Coast Guard aircraft

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commandant may establish a program to provide transportation on Coast Guard aircraft on a space-available basis to the categories of eligible individuals described in subsection (c) (in this section referred to as the “program”).

(2) POLICY DEVELOPMENT.—Not later than 1 year after the date on which the program is established, the Commandant shall develop a policy for the operation of the program.

(b) OPERATION OF PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commandant shall operate the program in a budget-neutral manner.

(2) LIMITATIONS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), no additional funds may be used, or flight hours performed, for the purpose of providing transportation under the program.

(B) DE MINIMIS EXPENDITURES.—The Commandant may make de minimis expenditures of resources required for the administrative aspects of the program.

(3) REIMBURSEMENT NOT REQUIRED.—Eligible individuals described in subsection (c) shall not be required to reimburse the Coast Guard for travel provided under this section.

(c) CATEGORIES OF ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—Subject to subsection (d), the categories of eligible individuals described in this subsection are the following:

(1) Members of the armed forces on active duty.

(2) Members of the Selected Reserve who hold a valid Uniformed Services Identification and Privilege Card.

(3) Retired members of a regular or reserve component of the armed forces, including re-