

**§ 2703a. Emergency back-up care****(a) In general**

The Secretary and the Administrator for the United States Agency for International Development are authorized to provide for unanticipated non-medical care, including dependent child and eldercare, and essential services directly related to caring for an acute injury or illness, for USAID and Department employees and their family members, including through the provision of such non-medical services, referrals to care providers, and reimbursement of reasonable expenses for such services.

**(b) Limitation**

Services provided pursuant to this section shall not exceed \$2,000,000 per fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 118-31, div. F, title LXII, § 6223, Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 979.)

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## DEFINITIONS

For definitions of “Secretary” and “Department” as used in this section, see section 6002 of Pub. L. 118-31, set out as a note under section 2651 of this title.

**§ 2704. Subsistence expenses**

The Secretary of State may pay, without regard to section 5702 of title 5, subsistence expenses of (1) special agents of the Department of State who are on authorized protective missions, whether at or away from their duty stations, and (2) members of the Foreign Service and employees of the Department who are required to spend extraordinary amounts of time in travel status. The authorities available to the Secretary of State under this section with respect to the Department of State shall be available to the Broadcasting Board of Governors and the Administrator of the Agency for International Development with respect to their respective agencies, except that the authority of clause (2) shall be available with respect to those agencies only in the case of members of the Foreign Service and employees of the agency who are performing security-related functions abroad.

(Aug. 1, 1956, ch. 841, title I, § 32, as added Pub. L. 96-465, title II, § 2201(a), Oct. 17, 1980, 94 Stat. 2157; renumbered title I, Pub. L. 97-241, title II, § 202(a), Aug. 24, 1982, 96 Stat. 282; amended Pub. L. 98-533, title III, § 303(c), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2711; Pub. L. 99-93, title I, § 125(b), Aug. 16, 1985, 99 Stat. 417; Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. A, title XIII, § 1335(l)(4), title XIV, § 1422(b)(3)(C), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-789, 2681-792; Pub. L. 110-321, § 3, Sept. 19, 2008, 122 Stat. 3535.)

**Editorial Notes**

## AMENDMENTS

2008—Pub. L. 110-321 substituted “on authorized protective missions, whether at or away from their duty stations, and” for “on authorized protective missions, and”.

1998—Pub. L. 105-277, § 1422(b)(3)(C), substituted “Administrator of the Agency for International Development” for “Director of the United States International Development Cooperation Agency”.

Pub. L. 105-277, § 1335(l)(4), substituted “the Broadcasting Board of Governors” for “the Director of the United States Information Agency”.

1985—Pub. L. 99-93 substituted “special agents” for “security officers”.

1984—Pub. L. 98-533 inserted “The authorities available to the Secretary of State under this section with respect to the Department of State shall be available to the Director of the United States Information Agency and the Director of the United States International Development Cooperation Agency with respect to their respective agencies, except that the authority of clause (2) shall be available with respect to those agencies only in the case of members of the Foreign Service and employees of the agency who are performing security-related functions abroad.”

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## CHANGE OF NAME

Broadcasting Board of Governors renamed United States Agency for Global Media pursuant to section 6204(a)(21) of this title. The renaming was effectuated by notice to congressional appropriations committees dated May 24, 2018, and became effective Aug. 22, 2018.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Amendment by section 1335(l)(4) of Pub. L. 105-277 effective Oct. 1, 1999, see section 1301 of Pub. L. 105-277, set out as an Effective Date note under section 6531 of this title.

Amendment by section 1422(b)(3)(C) of Pub. L. 105-277 effective Apr. 1, 1999, see section 1401 of Pub. L. 105-277, set out as an Effective Date note under section 6561 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Feb. 15, 1981, except as otherwise provided, see section 2403 of Pub. L. 96-465, set out as a note under section 3901 of this title.

**§ 2705. Documentation of citizenship**

The following documents shall have the same force and effect as proof of United States citizenship as certificates of naturalization or of citizenship issued by the Attorney General or by a court having naturalization jurisdiction:

(1) A passport, during its period of validity (if such period is the maximum period authorized by law), issued by the Secretary of State to a citizen of the United States.

(2) The report, designated as a “Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United States”, issued by a consular officer to document a citizen born abroad. For purposes of this paragraph, the term “consular officer” includes any United States citizen employee of the Department of State who is designated by the Secretary of State to adjudicate nationality abroad pursuant to such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe.

(Aug. 1, 1956, ch. 841, title I, § 33, as added and renumbered title I, Pub. L. 97-241, title I, § 117, title II, § 202(a), Aug. 24, 1982, 96 Stat. 279, 282; amended Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. B, title XXII, § 2222(a), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-818.)

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## PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 33 of act Aug. 1, 1956, was renumbered section 34 by section 117 of Pub. L. 97-241, and subsequently renumbered, and set out as a Short Title of 1956 Amendment note under section 2651 of this title, prior