

“(1) DESIGNATION OF CRITICALLY SHORT WARTIME HEALTH SPECIALTIES.—For purposes of section 335 of title 37, United States Code, as added by section 661 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110-181; 122 Stat. 169), the following health professions are designated as a critically short wartime specialty under subsection (a)(2) of such section:

“(A) Psychologists who have been awarded a diploma as a Diplomat in Psychology by the American Board of Professional Psychology and are fully licensed and such other mental health practitioners as the Secretary concerned determines to be necessary.

“(B) Registered nurses.

“(2) SPECIAL AGREEMENT AUTHORITY.—Under the authority provided by this section [enacting this note and section 302c-1 of this title], the Secretary concerned may enter into an agreement under subsection (f) of section 335 of title 37, United States Code, to pay a health professions bonus under such section to a person who accepts a commission or appointment as an officer and whose health profession specialty is specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection.

“(3) SECRETARY CONCERNED DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ‘Secretary concerned’ has the meaning given that term in section 101(5) of title 37, United States Code.

“(4) EFFECTIVE PERIOD.—The designations made by this subsection and the authority to enter into an agreement under paragraph (2) of this subsection expire on September 30, 2010.”

§ 336. Contracting bonus for cadets and midshipmen enrolled in the Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps

(a) CONTRACTING BONUS AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary concerned may pay a bonus under this section to a cadet or midshipman enrolled in the Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps who executes a written agreement described in subsection (c).

(b) AMOUNT OF BONUS.—The amount of a bonus under subsection (a) may not exceed \$5,000.

(c) AGREEMENT.—A written agreement referred to in subsection (a) is a written agreement by the cadet or midshipman—

- (1) to complete field training or a practice cruise under section 2104(b)(6)(A)(ii) of title 10;
- (2) to complete advanced training under chapter 103 of title 10;
- (3) to accept a commission or appointment as an officer of the armed forces; and
- (4) to serve on active duty.

(d) PAYMENT METHOD.—Upon acceptance of a written agreement under subsection (a) by the Secretary concerned, the total amount of the bonus payable under the agreement becomes fixed. The agreement shall specify when the bonus will be paid and whether the bonus will be paid in a lump sum or in installments.

(e) REPAYMENT.—A person who, having received all or part of a bonus under subsection (a), fails to fulfill the terms of the written agreement required by such subsection for receipt of the bonus shall be subject to the repayment provisions of section 373 of this title.

(f) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary concerned shall issue such regulations as may be necessary to carry out this section.

(g) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—No agreement under this section may be entered into after December 31, 2025.

(Added Pub. L. 113-66, div. A, title VI, §617(a), Dec. 26, 2013, 127 Stat. 781; amended Pub. L.

113-291, div. A, title VI, §614(6), Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3401; Pub. L. 114-92, div. A, title VI, §614(6), Nov. 25, 2015, 129 Stat. 839; Pub. L. 114-328, div. A, title VI, §614(6), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2158; Pub. L. 115-91, div. A, title VI, §614(6), Dec. 12, 2017, 131 Stat. 1422; Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VI, §611(d)(5), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1797; Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title VI, §611(d)(5), Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1426; Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title VI, §611(d)(5), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3673; Pub. L. 117-81, div. A, title VI, §611(d)(5), Dec. 27, 2021, 135 Stat. 1769; Pub. L. 117-263, div. A, title VI, §601(d)(5), Dec. 23, 2022, 136 Stat. 2620; Pub. L. 118-31, div. A, title VI, §613(d)(5), Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 292; Pub. L. 118-159, div. A, title VI, §611(d)(5), Dec. 23, 2024, 138 Stat. 1932.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2024—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 118-159 substituted “December 31, 2025” for “December 31, 2024”.

2023—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 118-31 substituted “December 31, 2024” for “December 31, 2023”.

2022—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 117-263 substituted “December 31, 2023” for “December 31, 2022”.

2021—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 117-81 substituted “December 31, 2022” for “December 31, 2021”.

Pub. L. 116-283 substituted “December 31, 2021” for “December 31, 2020”.

2019—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 116-92 substituted “December 31, 2020” for “December 31, 2019”.

2018—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 115-232 substituted “December 31, 2019” for “December 31, 2018”.

2017—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 115-91 substituted “December 31, 2018” for “December 31, 2017”.

2016—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 114-328 substituted “December 31, 2017” for “December 31, 2016”.

2015—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 114-92 substituted “December 31, 2016” for “December 31, 2015”.

2014—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 113-291 substituted “December 31, 2015” for “December 31, 2014”.

§ 351. Hazardous duty pay

(a) HAZARDOUS DUTY PAY.—The Secretary concerned may pay hazardous duty pay under this section to a member of a regular or reserve component of the uniformed services entitled to basic pay under section 204 of this title or compensation under section 206 of this title who—

(1) performs duty in a hostile fire area designated by the Secretary concerned, is exposed to a hostile fire event, explosion of a hostile explosive device, or any other hostile action, or is on duty during a month in an area in which a hostile event occurred which placed the member in grave danger of physical injury;

(2) performs duty designated by the Secretary concerned as hazardous duty based upon the inherent dangers of that duty and risks of physical injury; or

(3) performs duty in a foreign area designated by the Secretary concerned as an area in which the member is subject to imminent danger of physical injury due to threat conditions.

(b) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—The amount of hazardous duty pay paid to a member under subsection (a) shall be based on the type of duty and the area in which the duty is performed, as follows: