

“(b) INCREASES.—The Secretary may increase an OCONUS COLA at any time.

“(c) REPORTING.—Not later than February 1 of each year, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives a report regarding reductions and increases to OCONUS COLAs during the previous calendar year. Such report shall include the following elements:

“(1) The areas outside the continental United States subject to such a reduction or increase.

“(2) The previous and new amounts of an adjusted OCONUS COLA for a member with three dependents, 10 years of service, and in grade—

“(A) E-6; and

“(B) O-4.

“(3) The number of OCONUS COLA index points by which a new OCONUS COLA index differs from such previous index.

“(4) The number of members of the uniformed services affected by each such reduction or increase.

“(5) The assessment of the Secretary of the calculation of an OCONUS COLA. In making such assessment, the Secretary shall consider factors including—

“(A) Costs of local transportation in the area surrounding the duty station of a member.

“(B) Costs of travel from such duty station to the United States.

“(C) Other costs the Secretary determines appropriate.

“(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) The term ‘continental United States’ has the meaning given such term in section 101 of title 37, United States Code.

“(2) The term ‘covered member’ means a member of the uniformed services—

“(A) who is assigned to a permanent duty station located outside the continental United States; or

“(B) whose dependents reside outside the continental United States but not within the vicinity to permanent duty station of such member.

“(3) The term ‘OCONUS COLA’ means a cost-of-living allowance paid to a member of the uniformed services on the basis that such member is a covered member.

“(4) The term ‘OCONUS COLA index’ means the index computed by the Secretary of the weighted average prices of goods and services (excluding housing costs) in a location outside the continental United States, relative to the weighted average of prices of the same goods and services in the continental United States.

“(5) The term ‘OCONUS COLA index point’ means 1 percent of the OCONUS COLA index for the weighted average prices of goods and services (excluding housing costs) in a location in the continental United States.”

CONDITIONS ON PROVISION OF ALLOWANCE

Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title VI, § 602(b), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2781, provided that:

“(1) A cost-of-living allowance under section 403b of title 37, United States Code, as added by subsection (a), may not be provided until after the end of the 90-day period beginning on the date the Secretary of Defense submits the report required under paragraph (2).

“(2) Before implementing section 403b of title 37, United States Code, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the other administering Secretaries (as defined in subsection (h)(6) [probably should be (i)(5)] of such section), shall submit to Congress a report describing—

“(A) the methods by which the Secretary of Defense would determine the price index to be used under such section and the types of nonhousing related costs that will be considered under such price index;

“(B) the manner by which the Secretary will establish the threshold percentage for purposes of such section;

“(C) the manner in which savings attributable to use of such military facilities as commissary stores, exchange stores, and military medical treatment facilities will be taken into consideration; and

“(D) the methods by which the Secretary proposes to prevent uncontrolled growth in Government expenditures through the cost-of-living allowance available under such section.”

[Report submitted by Secretary of Defense on Mar. 31, 1995.]

§ 404. Renumbered § 474]

§ 404a. Renumbered § 474a]

§ 404b. Renumbered § 474b]

§ 405. Travel and transportation allowances: per diem while on duty outside the continental United States

(a) PER DIEM AUTHORIZED.—Without regard to the monetary limitation of this title, the Secretary concerned may pay a per diem to a member of the uniformed services who is on duty outside of the continental United States, whether or not the member is in a travel status. The Secretary may pay the per diem in advance of the accrual of the per diem.

(b) DETERMINATION OF PER DIEM.—In determining the per diem to be paid under this section, the Secretary concerned shall consider all elements of the cost of living to members of the uniformed services under the Secretary’s jurisdiction and their dependents, including the cost of quarters, subsistence, and other necessary incidental expenses. However, dependents may not be considered in determining the per diem allowance for a member in a travel status.

(c) TREATMENT OF HOUSING COST AND ALLOWANCE.—Housing cost and allowance may be disregarded in prescribing a station cost of living allowance under this section.

(d) UNUSUAL OR EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES.—(1) The Secretary concerned may reimburse a member of the uniformed services on duty as described in subsection (a) or (e) for an unusual or extraordinary expense incurred by the member incident to such duty that—

(A) is directly related to the conditions or location of the duty or the location of the member’s dependents;

(B) is of a nature or a magnitude not normally incurred by members of the uniformed services on duty inside the continental United States; and

(C) is not included in the per diem determined under subsection (b) as payable to the member under subsection (a) or (e).

(2) Any reimbursement provided to a member under paragraph (1) is in addition to a per diem payable to that member under subsection (a) or (e).

(e) PAYMENT OF ALLOWANCE BASED ON OVERSEAS LOCATION OF DEPENDENTS.—In the case of a member assigned to duty inside the continental United States whose dependents continue to reside outside the continental United States, the Secretary concerned may pay the member a per diem under this section based on the location of the dependents and provide reimbursement under subsection (d) for an unusual or extraor-

dinary expense incurred by the dependents if the Secretary determines that such payment or reimbursement is in the best interest of the member or the member's dependents and in the best interest of the United States.

(Pub. L. 87-649, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 473, §405; Pub. L. 89-718, §57, Nov. 2, 1966, 80 Stat. 1123; Pub. L. 91-486, Oct. 22, 1970, 84 Stat. 1085; Pub. L. 96-107, title VIII, §807(a), Nov. 9, 1979, 93 Stat. 813; Pub. L. 98-525, title VI, §602(e), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2536; Pub. L. 99-145, title XIII, §1303(b)(8), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 741; Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title VI, §622(a), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1446; Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title VI, §622(a), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1683; Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title VI, §603(c)(2), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1781; Pub. L. 105-261, div. A, title VI, §603(b), Oct. 17, 1998, 112 Stat. 2037; Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title VI, §641(b)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-160; Pub. L. 108-375, div. A, title VI, §605(a), (b)(1), (2), Oct. 28, 2004, 118 Stat. 1945; Pub. L. 109-163, div. A, title VI, §612, Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3291; renumbered §475 and amended Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title VI, §631(d)(2), (e)(4), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1460, 1462; renumbered §405 and amended Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title VI, §604(a), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3672.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
405	37:253(b).	Oct. 12, 1949, ch. 681, §303(b), 63 Stat. 814.

The words "Secretaries concerned" are substituted for the words "Secretaries of the uniformed services" to conform to other subsections of the source statute. The words "outside the United States, or in Hawaii or Alaska" are substituted for the words "outside the continental United States or in Alaska" to conform to the definition of United States in section 101(1) of this revised title and to retain the coverage of the source statute.

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 405 was renumbered section 475 of this title prior to being renumbered again as this section.

AMENDMENTS

2021—Pub. L. 116-283, §604(a)(1), renumbered section 475 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 116-283, §604(a)(2), struck out subsec. (f). Text read as follows: "During and after the travel authorities expiration date, no per diem may be paid under this section for any period."

2011—Pub. L. 112-81, §631(d)(2), renumbered section 405 of this title as section 475.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 112-81, §631(e)(4), added subsec. (f). 2006—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 109-163, §612(b)(1), substituted "Unusual or Extraordinary" for "Non-recurring" in heading.

Subsec. (d)(1). Pub. L. 109-163, §612(b)(1), (3)(A), in introductory provisions, inserted "or (e)" after "subsection (a)" and substituted "an unusual or extraordinary" for "a nonrecurring".

Subsec. (d)(1)(A). Pub. L. 109-163, §612(b)(3)(B), inserted "or the location of the member's dependents" before semicolon.

Subsec. (d)(1)(C), (2). Pub. L. 109-163, §612(b)(2), inserted "or (e)" after "subsection (a)".

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 109-163, §612(a), added subsec. (e). 2004—Pub. L. 108-375, §605(b)(2), amended section catchline generally, substituting "continental United States" for "United States or in Hawaii or Alaska".

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108-375, §605(b)(1), substituted "outside of the continental United States" for "outside of the United States or in Hawaii or Alaska".

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 108-375, §605(a), added subsec. (d).

2000—Pub. L. 106-398 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section authorized payment of a per diem to members of the uniformed services on duty outside of the United States or in Hawaii or Alaska and specified what elements were to be considered in determining the per diem allowance.

1998—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 105-261 struck out subsec. (c) which authorized the Secretary concerned to make a lump-sum payment for nonrecurring expenses to certain members of the uniformed services authorized to receive per diem allowances under subsec. (a).

1997—Subsecs. (b) to (d). Pub. L. 105-85 redesignated subsecs. (c) and (d) as (b) and (c), respectively, and struck out former subsec. (b) which read as follows: "A station housing allowance may be prescribed under this section for a member who is on duty outside of the United States without regard to costs other than housing costs and may consist of the difference between basic allowance for quarters and applicable housing cost. A station housing allowance may not be prescribed under this section for a member who is on duty in Hawaii or Alaska. A station housing allowance prescribed under this section may be paid in advance."

1993—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 103-160 amended subsec. (d) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (d) read as follows: "In the case of a member of the uniformed services authorized to receive a per diem allowance under subsection (a), the Secretary concerned may make a lump-sum payment for nonrecurring expenses incurred by the member in occupying private housing outside of the United States. Expenses for which payments are made under this subsection may not be considered for purposes of determining the per diem allowance of the member under subsection (a)."

1989—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 101-189 added subsec. (d).

1985—Pub. L. 99-145 inserted "the" after "outside" in section catchline.

1984—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 98-525, §602(e)(1), designated first two sentences of existing section as subsec. (a).

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 98-525, §602(e)(2), (3), designated third and fourth sentences of existing section as subsec. (b), in such third sentence as so designated inserted "for a member who is on duty outside of the United States" after "under this section", and inserted after such third sentence: "A station housing allowance may not be prescribed under this section for a member who is on duty in Hawaii or Alaska."

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 98-525, §602(e)(4), designated last sentence of existing section as subsec. (c).

1979—Pub. L. 96-107 inserted provisions relating to advance payment of station housing allowances.

1970—Pub. L. 91-486 inserted provision authorizing a station housing allowance.

1966—Pub. L. 89-718 substituted "the" for "a" after "including".

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 105-85 effective Jan. 1, 1998, see section 603(e) of Pub. L. 105-85, set out as a note under section 5561 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1993 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title VI, §622(b), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1683, as amended by Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title VI, §631(f)(4)(B), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1465; Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title X, §1076(a)(9), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1948, provided that: "The amendment made by sub-

section (a) [amending this section] shall apply with respect to nonrecurring expenses and currency fluctuation gains described in [former] section 475(d) of title 37, United States Code, that are incurred by members of the uniformed services on or after October 1, 1993.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1989 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title VI, § 622(b), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1447, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply with respect to expenses incurred after August 31, 1990.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-525 effective Jan. 1, 1985, with exceptions, see section 602(f) of Pub. L. 98-525, as amended, set out as a note under section 403 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1979 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 96-107, title VIII, § 807(b), Nov. 9, 1979, 93 Stat. 814, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on October 1, 1979.”

[§ 405a. Renumbered § 475a]

[§ 406. Renumbered § 476]

[§ 406a. Renumbered § 476a]

[§ 406b. Renumbered § 476b]

[§ 406c. Renumbered § 476c]

[§ 407. Renumbered § 477]

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[§ 411b. Renumbered § 481b]

[§ 411c. Renumbered § 481c]

[§ 411d. Renumbered § 481d]

[§ 411e. Renumbered § 481e]

[§ 411f. Renumbered § 481f]

[§ 411g. Repealed. Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title VI, § 631(c), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1460]

Section, added Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title VI, § 614(a)(1), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1093; amended Pub. L. 100-456, div. A, title VI, § 624(a), Sept. 29, 1988, 102 Stat. 1984; Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title VI, § 653(c)(1), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1462, related to travel and transportation allowances: transportation incident to voluntary extensions of overseas tours of duty.

[§ 411h. Renumbered § 481h]

[§ 411i. Renumbered § 481i]

[§ 411j. Renumbered § 481j]

[§ 411k. Renumbered § 481k]

[§ 411l. Renumbered § 481l]

[§ 412. Renumbered § 455]

§ 413. Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff are entitled to the allowances provided by law for the Chief of Staff of the Army.

(Pub. L. 87-649, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 476; Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title XIII, § 1314(c)(1), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1176.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
413	10:142(d) (less applicability to basic pay).	[None.]

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1987—Pub. L. 100-180, in amending section generally, in section catchline inserted “and Vice Chairman”, and in text inserted “and Vice Chairman” and substituted “are” for “is”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1987 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title XIII, § 1314(e)(2), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1176, provided that: “The amendments made by subsections (c)(1), (d)(3), and (d)(4) [amending this section and provisions set out as notes under sections 431 and 1009 of this title] shall take effect as of October 1, 1986.”

§ 414. Personal money allowance

(a) ALLOWANCE FOR OFFICERS SERVING IN CERTAIN RANKS OR POSITIONS.—In addition to other pay or allowances authorized by this title, an officer who is entitled to basic pay is entitled to a personal money allowance of—

(1) \$500 a year, while serving in the grade of lieutenant general or vice admiral, or in an equivalent grade or rank;

(2) \$1,200 a year, in place of any other personal money allowance authorized by this section while serving as Surgeon General of the Public Health Service;

(3) \$2,200 a year, in addition to the personal money allowance authorized by clause (1), while serving as a senior member of the Military Staff Committee of the United Nations;

(4) \$2,200 a year, while serving in the grade of general or admiral, or in an equivalent grade or rank; or

(5) \$4,000 a year, in place of any other personal money allowance authorized by this section, while serving as Chief of Staff of the Army, Chief of Naval Operations, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, Commandant of the