gram, and per participant in the Specialty Education Loan Repayment Program'' for ''and per participant in the Education Debt Reduction Program''.

1998—Par. (1). Pub. L. 105–368, § 805(5)(A), substituted '', the Tuition Reimbursement Program, the Employee Incentive Scholarship Program, and the Education Debt Reduction Program'' for ''and the Tuition Reimbursement Program'' and inserted ''(if any)'' after ''number of students''.

Par. (2). Pub. L. 105–368, § 805(5)(B), inserted ''(if any)'' after ''education institutions''.

Par. (4). Pub. L. 105–368, § 805(5)(C), substituted '', per participant'' for ''and per participant'' and inserted '', per participant in the Employee Incentive Scholarship Program, and per participant in the Education Debt Reduction Program'' before period at end.

1991—Pub. L. 102–40 renumbered section 4332 of this title as this section.

Pub. L. 102–83 substituted ''Secretary'' for ''Administrator'' in introductory provisions.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

TERMINATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

For termination, effective May 15, 2000, of reporting provisions in this section, see section 3003 of Pub. L. 104–66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance, and page 145 of House Document No. 103–7.

§ 7633. Regulations

The Secretary shall prescribe regulations to carry out the Educational Assistance Program.

(Added Pub. L. 100–322, title II, § 216(b), May 20, 1988, 102 Stat. 529, § 4333; renumbered § 7633, Pub. L. 102–40, title IV, § 402(b)(1), May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 238; amended Pub. L. 102–83, § 4(b)(1), (2)(E), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404, 405.)

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1991—Pub. L. 102–40 renumbered section 4333 of this title as this section.

Pub. L. 102–83 substituted ''Secretary'' for ''Administrator''.

§ 7634. Breach of agreement; waiver of liability

(a) An obligation under the Educational Assistance Program (or an agreement under the program) of a participant in the Educational Assistance Program for performance of services or payment of damages is canceled upon the death of the participant.

(b) The Secretary shall prescribe regulations providing for the waiver or suspension of any obligation of a participant for service or payment under the Educational Assistance Program (or an agreement under the program) whenever noncompliance by the participant is due to circumstances beyond the control of the participant or whenever the Secretary determines that the waiver or suspension of compliance is in the best interest of the United States.

(c) An obligation of a participant under the Educational Assistance Program (or an agreement thereunder) for payment of damages may not be released by a discharge in bankruptcy under title 11 before the expiration of the five-year period beginning on the first date the payment of such damages is due.

(Added Pub. L. 100–322, title II, § 216(b), May 20, 1988, 102 Stat. 529, § 4334; renumbered § 7634, Pub. L. 102–40, title IV, § 402(b)(1), May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 238; amended Pub. L. 102–83, § 4(b)(1), (2)(E), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404, 405.)

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1991—Pub. L. 102–40 renumbered section 4334 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 102–83 substituted ''Secretary'' for ''Administrator'' in two places.

§ 7635. Service in other agencies

(a) The Secretary, with the consent of the participant or individual involved and the consent of the head of the department or agency involved, may permit—

(1) a period of obligated service required under this chapter to be performed in the Veterans Health Administration to be performed in another Federal department or agency or in the Armed Forces in lieu of performance of such service in the Veterans Health Administration; and

(2) a period of obligated service required to be performed in another Federal department or agency or in the Armed Forces under another Federal health personnel educational assistance program to be performed in the Veterans Health Administration.

(b) This section shall be carried out in cooperation with the heads of other appropriate departments and agencies.

(Added Pub. L. 100–322, title II, § 216(b), May 20, 1988, 102 Stat. 529, § 4335; renumbered § 7635, Pub. L. 102–40, title IV, § 402(b)(1), May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 238; amended Pub. L. 102–83, § 4(b)(1), (2)(E), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404, 405; Pub. L. 103–446, title XII, § 1201(b)(1), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4682.)

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1994—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103–446 substituted ''Veterans Health Administration'' for ''Department of Medicine and Surgery'' wherever appearing.

1991—Pub. L. 102–40 renumbered section 4335 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102–83 substituted ''Secretary'' for ''Administrator'' in introductory provisions.

§ 7636. Exemption of educational assistance payments from taxation

Notwithstanding any other law, any payment to, or on behalf of a participant in the Educational Assistance Program, for tuition, education expenses, a stipend, or education debt reduction under this chapter shall be exempt from taxation.

(Added Pub. L. 100–322, title II, § 216(b), May 20, 1988, 102 Stat. 529, § 4336; renumbered § 7636, Pub. L. 102–40, title IV, § 402(b)(1), May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 238; amended Pub. L. 105–368, title VIII, § 805(6), Nov. 11, 1998, 112 Stat. 3359.)

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1998—Pub. L. 105–368 substituted ''a stipend, or education debt reduction'' for ''or a stipend''.