under subsection (c). Within 30 days after receiving a request for review, the head of the agency shall complete the review and provide a written statement of findings to the employee and the Merit Systems Protection Board.

- (e) The provisions of subsection (a) shall apply with regard to any employee—
 - (1) for no more than 1 transfer;
 - (2) for a transfer from or within the agency such employee is employed at the time of a determination by the Merit Systems Protection Board that a prohibited personnel action as described under section 2302(b)(8) was taken against such employee; and
 - (3) no later than 18 months after such a determination is made by the Merit Systems Protection Board.
- (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), no preference may be given to any employee applying for a transfer under subsection (b), with respect to a preference eligible (as defined under section 2108(3)) applying for the same position.

(Added Pub. L. 101–12, $\S5(a)$, Apr. 10, 1989, 103 Stat. 32.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 90 days following Apr. 10, 1989, see section 11 of Pub. L. 101–12, set out as an Effective Date of 1989 Amendment note under section 1201 of this title.

SUBCHAPTER V-PROMOTION

§ 3361. Promotion; competitive service; examination

An individual may be promoted in the competitive service only if he has passed an examination or is specifically excepted from examination under section 3302 of this title. This section does not take from the President any authority conferred by section 3301 of this title that is consistent with the provisions of this title governing the competitive service.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 426.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Derivation	U.S. Code	Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large
	5 U.S.C. 638 (as applicable to promotion).	Jan. 16, 1883, ch. 27, §7 (as applicable to promotion), 22 Stat. 406.

The words "That after the expiration of six months from the passage of this act" are omitted as executed. The words "in the competitive service" are substituted for "in either of the said classes now existing, or that may be arranged hereunder pursuant to said rules" because of the definition of "competitive service" in section 2102. In the second sentence, the words "the provisions of this title governing the competitive service" are substituted for "this act".

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

§ 3362. Promotion; effect of incentive award

An agency, in qualifying and selecting an employee for promotion, shall give due weight to an incentive award under chapter 45 of this title.

For the purpose of this section, "agency" and "employee" have the meanings given them by section 4501 of this title.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 426.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Derivation	U.S. Code	Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large
	5 U.S.C. 2123(f).	Sept. 1, 1954, ch. 1208, § 304(f), 68 Stat. 1113.

The word "incentive" is added for clarification. The second sentence is added on authority of former section 2122, which is carried into section 4501.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

§ 3363. Preference eligibles; promotion; physical qualifications; waiver

In determining qualifications of a preference eligible for promotion to another position in the competitive service, an Executive agency, or the government of the District of Columbia, the Office of Personnel Management or other examining agency shall waive—

- (1) requirements as to age, height, and weight, unless the requirement is essential to the performance of the duties of the position; and
- (2) physical requirements if, in the opinion of the Office or other examining agency, after considering the recommendation of an accredited physician, the preference eligible is physically able to perform efficiently the duties of the position.

This section does not apply to an appointment required by Congress to be confirmed by, or made with the advice and consent of, the Senate.

(Pub. L. 89–554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 427; Pub. L. 94–183, §2(5), Dec. 31, 1975, 89 Stat. 1057; Pub. L. 95–454, title IX, §906(a)(2), (3), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1224.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

	Derivation	U.S. Code	Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large
-		5 U.S.C. 854 (1st 2 sentences, so much as relates to promotion).	June 27, 1944, ch. 287, §5 (1st 2 sentences, so much as relates to promotion), 58 Stat. 388.

The section is restated to conform to section 3312.

The words "in the competitive service, an Executive agency, or the government of the District of Columbia" are added on authority of former sections 851, 858, and 869, which are carried into this title. The last sentence is added on authority of former section 869.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1978—Pub. L. 95-454 substituted "Office of Personnel Management" and "Office" for "Civil Service Commission" and "Commission", respectively.

1975—Pub. L. 94–183 struck out ", except an appointment made under section 3311 of title 39" after "or made with the advice and consent of, the Senate".