101-508, title VII, §7202(k)(2), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388-339; Pub. L. 102-378, §2(71), Oct. 2, 1992, 106 Stat. 1355; Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title X, §1043(a)(2), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 434; Pub. L. 107-107, div. A, title XI, §1131(b), Dec. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 1242.)

### **Editorial Notes**

#### AMENDMENTS

2001—Subsec. (n)(1). Pub. L. 107–107, \$1131(b)(1), inserted "and" at end of subpar. (A), redesignated subpar. (C) as (B), and struck out former subpar. (B) which read as follows: "has 5 or more years of civilian service creditable under this chapter; and".

Subsec. (n)(2)(B). Pub. L. 107–107, §1131(b)(2), struck out "vested" before "participant in a retirement system" and struck out ", as the term 'vested participant' is defined by such system" before semicolon at end.

1996—Subsec. (n)(1). Pub. L. 104–106, \$1043(a)(2)(A), struck out "of the Department of Defense or the Coast Guard" after "an employee" in introductory provisions and substituted "1 year" for "3 days" in subpar. (C). Subsec. (n)(2)(C). Pub. L. 104–106, \$1043(a)(2)(B), sub-

Subsec. (n)(2)(C). Pub. L. 104–106, \$1043(a)(2)(B), substituted "1 year" for "3 days" and struck out "in the Department of Defense or the Coast Guard, respectively," after "to a position".

1992—Subsec. (n)(1)(A), (2)(A). Pub. L. 102–378,  $\S 2(71)(A)$ , amended subpars. (A) generally. Prior to amendment, subpars. (A) read as follows: "has not previously made or had an opportunity to make an election under this subsection:".

tion under this subsection;". Subsec. (n)(2)(D). Pub. L. 102–378,  $\S 2(71)(B)$ , substituted "8347(q)" for "8347(p)".

1990—Subsec. (n). Pub. L. 101-508 added subsec. (n).

1986—Subsec. (m)(2). Pub. L. 99-556 struck out ", and from the Thrift Savings Fund," after "from the Fund".

## Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

### CHANGE OF NAME

Reference to the Director of Central Intelligence or the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency in the Director's capacity as the head of the intelligence community deemed to be a reference to the Director of National Intelligence. Reference to the Director of Central Intelligence or the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency in the Director's capacity as the head of the Central Intelligence Agency deemed to be a reference to the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency. See section 1081(a), (b) of Pub. L. 108-458, set out as a note under section 3001 of Title 50, War and National Defense

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

For effective date of amendments by Pub. L. 104–106, see Regulations; Effective Date of 1996 Amendment note below.

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1992 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 102-378 effective Nov. 5, 1990, see section 9(b)(6) of Pub. L. 102-378, set out as a note under section 6303 of this title.

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101–508 applicable with respect to any individual who, on or after Jan. 1, 1987, moves from employment in nonappropriated fund instrumentality of Department of Defense or Coast Guard, that is described in section 2105(c) of this title, to employment in Department or Coast Guard, that is not described in section 2105(c), or who moves from employment in Department or Coast Guard, that is not described in section 2105(c), to employment in nonappropriated fund instrumentality of Department or Coast Guard, that is described in section 2105(c), see section 7202(m)(1) of Pub. L. 101–508, set out as a note under section 2105 of this title.

REGULATIONS; EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

For provisions relating to promulgation of regulations necessary to carry out amendment by Pub. L. 104–106, and effective date of such amendment in connection with those regulations, see section 1043(b), (c) of Pub. L. 104–106, set out as a note under section 8347 of this title.

#### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of authorities, functions, personnel, and assets of the Coast Guard, including the authorities and functions of the Secretary of Transportation relating thereto, to the Department of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 468(b), 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

TREATMENT OF INDIVIDUALS ELECTING TO REMAIN SUBJECT TO THEIR FORMER RETIREMENT SYSTEM

For provisions relating to the deductions and contributions required with respect to individuals electing under section 8347(q) or 8461(n) of this title to remain covered under subchapter III of chapter 83 of this title, chapter 84 of this title, or a retirement system for employees described in section 2105(c) of this title, see section 7202(n) of Pub. L. 101-508, set out as a note under section 2105 of this title.

# §8462. Cost-of-living adjustments

- (a) For the purpose of this section—
- (1) the term "base quarter", as used with respect to a year, means the calendar quarter ending on September 30 of such year;
- (2) the price index for a base quarter is the arithmetical mean of such index for the 3 months comprising such quarter; and
- (3) the term "percent change in the price index", as used with respect to a year, means the percentage derived by—
  - (A) reducing-
  - (i) the price index for the base quarter of such year, by
  - (ii) the price index for the base quarter of the preceding year in which an adjustment under this subsection was made;
  - (B) dividing the difference under subparagraph (A) by the price index referred to in subparagraph (A)(ii); and
  - (C) multiplying the quotient under subparagraph (B) by 100.
- (b)(1) Except as provided in subsection (c), effective December 1 of any year in which an adjustment under this subsection is to be made, as determined under paragraph (2), each annuity payable from the Fund under this chapter (other than an annuity under section 8443) having a commencing date not later than such December 1 shall be adjusted as follows:
  - (A) If the percent change in the price index for the year does not exceed 3 percent, each annuity subject to adjustment under this subsection shall be increased by the lesser of—
    - (i) the percent change in the price index (rounded to the nearest one-tenth of 1 percent); or
      - (ii) 2 percent.
  - (B) If the percent change in the price index for the year exceeds 3 percent, each annuity subject to adjustment under this subsection shall be increased by the excess of—

- (i) the percent change in the price index (rounded to the nearest one-tenth of 1 percent), over
  - (ii) 1 percent.
- (2) An adjustment under this subsection shall be made in a year only if the price index for the base quarter of such year exceeds the price index for the base quarter of the preceding year in which an adjustment under this subsection was made.
- (3) An annuity under this chapter shall not be subject to adjustment under section 8340. Nothing in the preceding sentence shall affect the computation of any amount under section 8443(a)(2).
- (c) Eligibility for an annuity increase under this section is governed by the commencing date of each annuity payable from the Fund as of the effective date of an increase, except as follows:
  - (1) The first increase (if any) made under subsection (b) to an annuity which is payable from the Fund to an annuitant or survivor (other than a child under section 8443) whose annuity has not been increased under this subsection or subsection (b) shall be equal to the product (adjusted to the nearest one-tenth of 1 percent) of—
    - (A) one-twelfth of the applicable percent change computed under subsection (b), multiplied by
    - (B) the number of months (not to exceed 12 months, counting any portion of a month as a month)—
      - (i) for which the annuity was payable from the Fund before the effective date of the increase: or
      - (ii) in the case of a survivor of a deceased annuitant whose annuity has not been so increased, since the annuity was first payable to the deceased annuitant.
  - (2) Effective from its commencing date, an annuity payable from the Fund to an annuitant's survivor (other than a widow or widower whose annuity is computed under section 8442(g) or a child under section 8443) shall be increased by the total percentage by which the deceased annuitant's annuity had been increased under this section during the period beginning on the date the deceased annuitant's annuity commenced and ending on the date of the deceased annuitant's death.
  - (3)(A) An adjustment under subsection (b) for any year shall not be effective with respect to the annuity of an annuitant who is under 62 years of age as of the date on which such adjustment would otherwise first take effect.
  - (B)(i) Except as provided in clause (ii), this paragraph applies only with respect to an annuitant under section 8412, 8413, or 8414.
  - (ii) This paragraph does not apply with respect to an annuitant under subsection (d)(1) or (e) of section 8412 or (in the case of an annuitant separated from service as a military reserve technician as a result of disability) under section 8414(c).
  - (4) The first increase (if any) made under subsection (b) to an annuity which is payable from the Fund to a widow or widower whose annuity is computed under section 8442(g) shall be equal to the product (adjusted to the nearest one-tenth of 1 percent) of—

- (A) one-twelfth of the applicable percent change computed under subsection (b), multiplied by
- (B) the number of months (not to exceed 12 months, counting any portion of a month as a month) since—
  - (i) the effective date of the adjustment last made under this section in the annuity of the annuitant on whose service on the widow's or widower's annuity is based; or
  - (ii) if the annuity of the annuitant (referred to in clause (i)) has not been increased under this section, the commencement date of such annuitant's annuity (determined subject to section 8452(a)(1)(B)).
- (d) The monthly installment of an annuity after adjustment under this section shall be rounded to the next lowest dollar. However, the monthly installment shall, after adjustment, reflect an increase of at least \$1.
- (e) The \$15,000 amount referred to in section 8442(b)(1)(A)(ii) shall be increased at the same time that, and by the same percent as the percentage by which, annuities under subchapter III of chapter 83 are increased.
- (Added Pub. L. 99–335, title I, 101(a), June 6, 1986, 100 Stat. 572; amended Pub. L. 99–556, title I, 117(b), Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3134; Pub. L. 117-225, 3(b)(2)(A)(vi), Dec. 9, 2022, 136 Stat. 2296.)

## APPLICABILITY OF AMENDMENT

For provisions relating to delayed applicability of amendment by Pub. L. 117–225, see Effective Date of 2022 Amendment note set out under section 8336 of this title.

# **Editorial Notes**

# AMENDMENTS

2022—Subsec. (c)(3)(B)(ii). Pub. L. 117–225 inserted "(1)" after "subsection (d)".

1986—Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 99-556 inserted provision relating to the computation of any amount under section 8443(a)(2).

# Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2022 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 117–225 effective Dec. 9, 2022, and applicable to an individual who suffers an illness or injury described in certain Code provisions on or after the date that is 2 years after Dec. 9, 2022, see section 3(f) of Pub. L. 117–225, set out as a note under section 8336 of this title.

DELAY IN COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS DURING FISCAL YEARS 1994, 1995, AND 1996

Any cost-of-living increase scheduled to take effect during fiscal year 1994, 1995, or 1996 under subsec. (b) of this section delayed until first day of third calendar month after date such increase would otherwise take effect, see section 11001 of Pub. L. 103-66, set out as a note under section 8340 of this title.

# § 8463. Rate of benefits

Each annuity payable from the Fund is stated as an annual amount, one-twelfth of which, rounded to the next lower dollar, constitutes the monthly rate payable on the first business day of the first month beginning after the month for which it has accrued.