- (1) EXCEPTION FOR BELOW-THRESHOLD MODIFICATIONS.—The prohibition in subsection (a) does not apply to a modification for which the cost is less than \$100,000.
- (2) EXCEPTION FOR TRANSFER OF REUSABLE ITEMS OF VALUE.—The prohibition in subsection (a) does not apply to a modification in a case in which—
  - (A) the reusable items of value, as determined by the Secretary, installed on the item of equipment as part of such modification will, upon the retirement or disposal of the item to be modified, be removed from such item of equipment, refurbished, and installed on another item of equipment; and
  - (B) the cost of such modification (including the cost of the removal and refurbishment of reusable items of value under subparagraph (A)) is less than \$1,000,000.
- (3) EXCEPTION FOR SAFETY MODIFICATIONS.— The prohibition in subsection (a) does not apply to a safety modification.
- (c) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—The Secretary concerned may waive the prohibition in subsection (a) in the case of any modification otherwise subject to that subsection if the Secretary determines that carrying out the modification is in the national security interest of the United States. Whenever the Secretary issues such a waiver, the Secretary shall notify the congressional defense committees in writing.

(Added Pub. L. 109–163, div. A, title III, §372(a), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3209.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in Pub. L. 105-56, title VIII, §8053, Oct. 8, 1997, 111 Stat. 1232, which was set out as a note under section 2241 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 109-163, div. A, title III, §372(c), 119 Stat. 3210.

# § 2245. Use of aircraft for proficiency flying: limitation

- (a) An aircraft under the jurisdiction of a military department may not be used by a member of the armed forces for the purpose of proficiency flying except in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense.
  - (b) Such regulations—
  - (1) may not require proficiency flying by a member except to the extent required for the member to maintain flying proficiency in anticipation of the member's assignment to combat operations; and
  - (2) may not permit proficiency flying in the case of a member who is assigned to a course of instruction of 90 days or more.
- (c) In this section, the term "proficiency flying" means flying performed under competent orders by a rated or designated member of the armed forces while serving in a non-aviation assignment or in an assignment in which skills would normally not be maintained in the performance of assigned duties.

(Added Pub. L. 101–510, div. A, title XIV, §1481(e)(1), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1706; amended Pub. L. 110–181, div. A, title X, §1077, Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 333.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in Pub. L. 101–165, title IX,  $\S9006$ , Nov. 21, 1989, 103 Stat. 1130, which was set out as a note under section 2241 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 101–510,  $\S1481(e)(3)$ .

#### AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 110–181 amended subsec. (c) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (c) read as follows: 'In this section, the term 'proficiency flying' has the meaning given that term in Department of Defense Directive 1340.4.''

# § 2245a. Use of operation and maintenance funds for purchase of investment items: limitation

Funds appropriated to the Department of Defense for operation and maintenance may not be used to purchase any item (including any item to be acquired as a replacement for an item) that has an investment item unit cost that is greater than \$250,000.

(Added Pub. L. 109–163, div. A, title III,  $\S373(a)$ , Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3210.)

#### [§ 2246. Renumbered § 2491a]

#### [§ 2247. Renumbered § 2491b]

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Another section 2247 was renumbered section 2249 of this title.

# [§ 2248. Repealed. Pub. L. 108–136, div. A, title X, § 1045(a)(5)(A), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1612]

Section, added Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title X, §1063(a), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2848, related to prohibition on purchase of surety bonds.

#### § 2249. Prohibition on use of funds for documenting economic or employment impact of certain acquisition programs

No funds appropriated by the Congress may be obligated or expended to assist any contractor of the Department of Defense in preparing any material, report, lists, or analysis with respect to the actual or projected economic or employment impact in a particular State or congressional district of an acquisition program for which all research, development, testing, and evaluation has not been completed.

(Added Pub. L. 103–355, title VII, \$7202(a)(1), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3379, \$2247; renumbered \$2249, Pub. L. 104–106, div. D, title XLIII, \$4321(b)(2)(A), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 672.)

#### AMENDMENTS

 $1996\mathrm{--Pub}.$  L.  $104\mathrm{--}106$  renumbered section 2247 of this title as this section.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

For effective date and applicability of section, see section 10001 of Pub. L. 103-355 set out as an Effective Date of 1994 Amendment note under section 2302 of this title.

### § 2249a. Prohibition on providing financial assistance to terrorist countries

(a) Prohibition.—Funds available to the Department of Defense may not be obligated or expended to provide financial assistance to—