ments of foreign languages and tactics at United States Military Academy who were serving under appointments made prior to Jan. 17, 1963, were entitled to public quarters without charge, and to fuel and light without charge when they occupy public quarters.

#### § 4340. Quartermaster

The Secretary of the Army shall detail a commissioned officer of the Army as quartermaster for the Corps of Cadets. The quartermaster shall—

- (1) buy and issue all supplies for the cadets;
- (2) buy and issue all provisions for the mess; and
  - (3) supervise the mess.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 240.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
4340	10:1067.	Aug. 7, 1876, ch. 255 (last par.), 19 Stat. 126.

The words "buy and issue all provisions for the mess" and "supervise the mess" are substituted for the words "all the duties of purveying and supervision for the mess". The word "commissary" is omitted as obsolete. The words "and all supplies of all kinds and descriptions shall be furnished to the cadets at actual cost, without any commission or advance over said cost" are omitted to reflect Title IV of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended (61 Stat. 495), which authorized the Secretary of Defense to prescribe regulations governing the use and sale of certain inventories at cost, including applicable administrative expenses.

## § 4341. Faculty and other officers: leaves of absence

The Superintendent of the Academy may grant a leave of absence for the period of the suspension of the ordinary academic studies, without deduction of pay or allowances, to a professor, assistant professor, instructor, or other officer of the Academy.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 240.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
4341	10:1144.	R.S. 1330.

The words "under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Army" are omitted, since the Secretary has inherent authority to issue regulations appropriate to exercising his statutory functions.

### § 4341a. Cadets: appointment by the President

Cadets at the Academy shall be appointed by the President alone. An appointment is conditional until the cadet is admitted.

(Added Pub. L. 97–60, title II, 203(a)(2)(A), Oct. 14, 1981, 95 Stat. 1006.)

### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 203(d) of Pub. L. 97-60 provided that: "The amendments made by this section [enacting this section and section 9341a of this title and amending sections 4342, 6953, 6954, and 9342 of this title] shall take effect with respect to nominations for appointment to the first class admitted to each Academy after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 14, 1981]."

# § 4342. Cadets: appointment; numbers, territorial distribution

- (a) The authorized strength of the Corps of Cadets of the Academy (determined for any year as of the day before the last day of the academic year) is 4,400 or such lower number as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Army under subsection (j). Subject to that limitation, cadets are selected as follows:
  - (1) 65 cadets selected in order of merit as established by competitive examinations from the children of members of the armed forces who were killed in action or died of, or have a service-connected disability rated at not less than 100 per centum resulting from, wounds or injuries received or diseases contracted in, or preexisting injury or disease aggravated by, active service, children of members who are in a "missing status" as defined in section 551(2) of title 37, and children of civilian employees who are in "missing status" as defined in section 5561(5) of title 5. The determination of the Department of Veterans Affairs as to service connection of the cause of death or disability, and the percentage at which the disability is rated, is binding upon the Secretary of the Army
  - (2) Five cadets nominated at large by the Vice President or, if there is no Vice President, by the President pro tempore of the Senate.
  - (3) Ten cadets from each State, five of whom are nominated by each Senator from that State.
  - (4) Five cadets from each congressional district, nominated by the Representative from the district.
  - (5) Five cadets from the District of Columbia, nominated by the Delegate to the House of Representatives from the District of Columbia.
  - (6) Three cadets from the Virgin Islands, nominated by the Delegate in Congress from the Virgin Islands.
  - (7) Six cadets from Puerto Rico, five of whom are nominated by the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico and one who is a native of Puerto Rico nominated by the Governor of Puerto Rico.
  - (8) Three cadets from Guam, nominated by the Delegate in Congress from Guam.
  - (9) Two cadets from American Samoa, nominated by the Delegate in Congress from American Samoa.
  - (10) Two cadets from the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, nominated by the Delegate in Congress from the commonwealth.

Each Senator, Representative, and Delegate in Congress, including the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico, is entitled to nominate 10 persons for each vacancy that is available to him under this section. Nominees may be submitted without ranking or with a principal candidate and 9 ranked or unranked alternates. Qualified nominees not selected for appointment under this subsection shall be considered qualified alternates for the purposes of selection under other provisions of this chapter.

(b) In addition, there may be appointed each year at the Academy cadets as follows: