

AMENDMENTS

1963—Pub. L. 88-200 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of President under this section, except authority to adopt and alter an official seal or emblem, delegated to Director of Peace Corps by section 1-103 of Ex. Ord. No. 12137, May 16, 1979, 44 F.R. 29023, eff. May 16, 1979, set out as a note under section 2501 of this title.

§ 2519. Security investigations

All persons employed or assigned to duties under this chapter shall be investigated to insure that the employment or assignment is consistent with the national interest in accordance with standards and procedures established by the President. If an investigation made pursuant to this section develops any data reflecting that the person who is the subject of the investigation is of questionable loyalty or is a questionable security risk, the investigating agency shall refer the matter to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the conduct of a full field investigation. The results of that full field investigation shall be furnished to the initial investigating agency, and to the agency by which the subject person is employed, for information and appropriate action. Volunteers shall be deemed employees of the United States Government for the purpose of this section.

(Pub. L. 87-293, title I, § 22, Sept. 22, 1961, 75 Stat. 624.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 87-293, Sept. 22, 1961, 75 Stat. 612, as amended, known as the Peace Corps Act. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2501 of this title and Tables.

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§ 2520. Military training and service exemption

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law or regulation, service in the Peace Corps as a volunteer shall not in any way exempt such volunteer from the performance of any obligations or duties under the provisions of the Universal Military Training and Service Act [50 U.S.C. App. 451 et seq.].

(Pub. L. 87-293, title I, § 23, Sept. 22, 1961, 75 Stat. 624.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Universal Military Training and Service Act, referred to in text, subsequently renamed the Military Selective Service Act, is act June 24, 1948, ch. 625, 62 Stat. 604, as amended, which is classified principally to section 451 et seq. of Title 50, Appendix, War and National Defense. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see References in Text note set out under section 451 of Title 50, Appendix, and Tables.

§ 2521. Foreign language proficiency

No person shall be assigned to duty as a volunteer under this chapter in any foreign country

or area unless at the time of such assignment he possesses such reasonable proficiency as his assignment requires in speaking the language of the country or area to which he is assigned.

(Pub. L. 87-293, title I, § 24, Sept. 22, 1961, 75 Stat. 624.)

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§ 2521a. Nonpartisan appointments

In carrying out this chapter, no political test or political qualification may be used in—

- (1) selecting any person for enrollment as a volunteer or for appointment to a position at, or for assignment to (or for employment for assignment to), a duty station located abroad, or
- (2) promoting or taking any other action with respect to any volunteer or any person assigned to such a duty station.

(Pub. L. 87-293, title I, § 25, as added Pub. L. 99-83, title XI, § 1105(a)(2), Aug. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 276.)

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PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 25 of Pub. L. 87-293 was renumbered section 26 and is classified to section 2522 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1985, see section 1301 of Pub. L. 99-83, set out as an Effective Date of 1985 Amendment note under section 2151-1 of this title.

§ 2522. Definitions

(a) The term “abroad” means any area outside the United States.

(b) The term “United States” means the several States and the District of Columbia.

(c) The term “function” includes any duty, obligation, right, power, authority, responsibility, privilege, discretion, activity, and program.

(d) The term “health care” includes all appropriate examinations, preventive, curative and restorative health and medical care, and supplementary services when necessary.

(e) For the purposes of this chapter or any other Act, the period of any individual’s service as a volunteer under this chapter shall include—

- (i) except for the purposes of section 2504(f) of this title, any period of training under section 2507(a) of this title prior to enrollment as a volunteer under this chapter; and
- (ii) the period between enrollment as a volunteer and the termination of service as such volunteer by the President or by death or resignation.

(f) The term “United States Government agency” includes any department, board, wholly or