

EFFECTIVE AND TERMINATION DATE OF 1971  
AMENDMENT

Section 2 of Pub. L. 92-14, as amended by Pub. L. 93-126, § 8, Oct. 18, 1973, 87 Stat. 453, provided that: "The amendment made by this Act [amending this section] shall become effective on the date of enactment [May 14, 1971] and shall continue in effect until June 30, 1974."

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1968 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 90-428 effective on thirtieth day following July 26, 1968, see section 4 of Pub. L. 90-428, set out as a note under section 217a of this title.

## EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY

Pub. L. 112-74, div. I, title VII, § 7034(m)(1), Dec. 23, 2011, 125 Stat. 1216, provided that: "Section 1(b)(2) of the Passport Act of June 4, 1920 (22 U.S.C. 214(b)(2)) shall be applied by substituting 'September 30, 2012' for 'September 30, 2010'."

DEPOSIT OF RECEIPTS FROM EXPEDITED PASSPORT  
PROCESSING

Pub. L. 103-317, title V, Aug. 26, 1994, 108 Stat. 1760, provided in part "That hereafter all receipts received from a new charge from expedited passport processing shall be deposited in this account as an offsetting collection and shall be available until expended".

## INFORMATION FROM UNITED STATES PASSPORTS

Pub. L. 101-604, title II, § 203(d), Nov. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 3083, provided that: "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, to the extent provided in appropriation Acts, for each fiscal year not more than \$5,000,000 in passport fees collected by the Department of State may be credited to a Department of State account. Amounts credited to such account shall be available only for the costs associated with the acquisition and production of machine-readable United States passports and visas and compatible reading equipment. Amounts credited to such account are authorized to remain available until expended."

**§ 214a. Fees erroneously charged and paid; refund**

Whenever a fee is erroneously charged and paid for the issue of a passport to a person who is exempted from the payment of such a fee by section 214 of this title, the Department of State is authorized to refund to the person who paid such fee the amount thereof, and the money for that purpose is authorized to be appropriated.

(July 3, 1926, ch. 772, § 3, 44 Stat. 887.)

## CERTAIN APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS ABOLISHED

Effective July 1, 1935, enumerated appropriation accounts appearing on the books of the Government were abolished and in lieu thereof there was established an account to be designated "Refund of Moneys Erroneously Received and Covered." See section 1322 of Title 31, Money and Finance.

**§ 215. Omitted**

## CODIFICATION

Section, act June 4, 1920, ch. 223, § 2, 41 Stat. 750, provided for fees of \$1 for each application for a visa and \$9 for each visa. It was superseded by sections 2(h) and 7(h) of the Immigration Act of 1924 (act May 26, 1924, ch. 190, 43 Stat. 154, 157) which provided for fees in the same amounts. The 1924 Act was repealed by section 403(a)(23) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (act June 27, 1952, ch. 477, 66 Stat. 279). See section 1351 of Title 8, Aliens and Nationality, and section 9701 of Title 31, Money and Finance.

**§ 216. Repealed. Pub. L. 106-113, div. B, § 1000(a)(7) [div. A, title II, § 233(b)], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1536, 1501A-426**

Section, act June 4, 1920, ch. 223, § 4, 41 Stat. 751, authorized return of fees on refusal to visé.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

For effective date of repeal, see section 1000(a)(7) [div. A, title II, § 233(c)] of Pub. L. 106-113, set out as an Effective Date of 1999 Amendment note under section 214 of this title.

**§ 217. Repealed. July 3, 1926, ch. 772, § 4, 44 Stat. 887**

Section, act June 4, 1920, ch. 223, § 3, 41 Stat. 751, limited time as to validity of passport or visé. See section 217a of this title.

**§ 217a. Validity of passport; limitation of time**

A passport shall be valid for a period of ten years from the date of issue, except that the Secretary of State may limit the validity of a passport to a period of less than ten years in an individual case or on a general basis pursuant to regulation.

(July 3, 1926, ch. 772, § 2, 44 Stat. 887; July 1, 1930, ch. 782, 46 Stat. 839; May 16, 1932, ch. 187, 47 Stat. 157; Pub. L. 86-267, Sept. 14, 1959, 73 Stat. 552; Pub. L. 90-428, § 1, July 26, 1968, 82 Stat. 446; Pub. L. 97-241, title I, § 116(b)(1), Aug. 24, 1982, 96 Stat. 279.)

## AMENDMENTS

1982—Pub. L. 97-241 substituted provision that a passport be valid for a period of ten years from issuance and that the Secretary of State could limit the period to less than ten years in an individual case or on a general basis by regulation for provision that a passport be limited to a period of not more than five years, that the Secretary of State could limit the passport to a shorter period, and that a valid passport outstanding as of the effective date of Pub. L. 90-428 be valid for a period of five years from the date of issue, except where such passport was limited to a shorter period by the Secretary.

1968—Pub. L. 90-428 substituted provisions that passport be limited to a period of not more than five years, though the Secretary of State may limit it to a shorter period and provisions as to the length of validity of passports outstanding as of the effective date of Pub. L. 90-428 for provisions that a passport or passport visa be limited to a period of three years, that a passport be renewed pursuant to regulations of the Secretary for a period not to exceed two years, provided that the final date of expiration not be more than five years from the original date of issue, that the Secretary be authorized to limit the validity of a passport, passport visa, or period of renewal of a passport to less than two years, and that the charge for the issue of an original passport be \$9.00 and the charge for the renewal be \$5.00.

1959—Pub. L. 86-267 substituted "three years" for "two years", and "five years" for "four years".

1932—Act May 16, 1932, among other changes, increased payment for renewals from \$2 to \$5, for issue of original passport from \$5 to \$9, and restored final expiration date of renewal passport to four years from six-year period.

1930—Act July 1, 1930, among other changes, provided for \$2 payment for renewal of passport, \$5 payment for issue of an original passport, and changed from four to six years the final expiration date of renewal passport.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1982 AMENDMENT

Section 116(b)(2) of Pub. L. 97-241 provided that: "The amendment made by this subsection [amending this