1051a(a) of title 10, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)), shall take effect on October 1, 2009, or the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 28, 2009], whichever is later."

#### GAO REPORT

Pub. L. 107–314, div. A, title XII, §1201(b), Dec. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2663, directed the Comptroller General to submit to committees of Congress a report providing an assessment of the implementation of this section not later than Mar. 1, 2005.

# § 1051b. Bilateral or regional cooperation programs: awards and mementos to recognize superior noncombat achievements or performance

- (a) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense may present awards and mementos purchased with funds appropriated for operation and maintenance of the armed forces to recognize superior noncombat achievements or performance by members of friendly foreign forces and other foreign nationals that significantly enhance or support the National Security Strategy of the United States.
- (b) ACTIVITIES THAT MAY BE RECOGNIZED.—Activities that may be recognized under subsection (a) include superior achievement or performance that—
  - (1) plays a crucial role in shaping the international security environment in ways that protect and promote United States interests;
  - (2) supports or enhances United States overseas presence and peacetime engagement activities, including defense cooperation initiatives, security assistance training and programs, and training and exercises with the armed forces:
  - (3) helps to deter aggression and coercion, build coalitions, and promote regional stability: or
  - (4) serves as a role model for appropriate conduct by military forces in emerging democracies.
- (c) LIMITATION.—Expenditures for the purchase or production of mementos for award under this section may not exceed the minimal value in effect under section 7342(a)(5) of title 5.

(Added Pub. L. 108–136, div. A, title XII, §1222(a), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1652.)

#### § 1051c. Multilateral, bilateral, or regional cooperation programs: assignments to improve education and training in information security

- (a) ASSIGNMENTS AUTHORIZED; PURPOSE.—The Secretary of Defense may authorize the temporary assignment of a member of the military forces of a foreign country to a Department of Defense organization for the purpose of assisting the member to obtain education and training to improve the member's ability to understand and respond to information security threats, vulnerabilities of information security systems, and the consequences of information security incidents
- (b) PAYMENT OF CERTAIN EXPENSES.—To facilitate the assignment of a member of a foreign military force to a Department of Defense organization under subsection (a), the Secretary of

Defense may pay such expenses in connection with the assignment as the Secretary considers in the national security interests of the United States.

- (c) PROTECTION OF DEPARTMENT CYBERSECURITY.—In authorizing the temporary assignment of members of foreign military forces to Department of Defense organizations under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall require the inclusion of adequate safeguards to prevent any compromising of Department information security.
- (d) MULTI-YEAR AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Funds available to carry out this section shall be available, to the extent provided in appropriations Acts, for programs and activities under this section that begin in a fiscal year and end in the following fiscal year.
- (e) Information Security Defined.—In this section, the term "information security" refers to—
  - (1) the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of an information system or the information such system processes, stores, or transmits; and
  - (2) the security policies, security procedures, or acceptable use policies with respect to an information system.

(Added Pub. L. 112–81, div. A, title IX, \$951(a)(1), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1548.)

#### § 1052. Adoption expenses: reimbursement

- (a) AUTHORIZATION TO REIMBURSE.—The Secretary of Defense shall carry out a program under which a member of the armed forces may be reimbursed, as provided in this section, for qualifying adoption expenses incurred by the member in the adoption of a child under 18 years of age.
- (b) ADOPTIONS COVERED.—An adoption for which expenses may be reimbursed under this section includes an adoption by a single person, an infant adoption, an intercountry adoption, and an adoption of a child with special needs (as defined in section 473(c) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 673(c))).
- (c) BENEFITS PAID AFTER ADOPTION IS FINAL.—Benefits paid under this section in the case of an adoption may be paid only after the adoption is final.
- (d) TREATMENT OF OTHER BENEFITS.—A benefit may not be paid under this section for any expense paid to or for a member of the armed forces under any other adoption benefits program administered by the Federal Government or under any such program administered by a State or local government.
- (e) LIMITATIONS.—(1) Not more than \$2,000 may be paid under this section to a member of the armed forces, or to two such members who are spouses of each other, for expenses incurred in the adoption of a child.
- (2) Not more than \$5,000 may be paid under this section to a member of the armed forces, or to two such members who are spouses of each other, for adoptions by such member (or members) in any calendar year.
- (f) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe regulations to carry out this section.

- (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
- (1) The term "qualifying adoption expenses" means reasonable and necessary expenses that are directly related to the legal adoption of a child under 18 years of age, but only if such adoption is arranged by a qualified adoption agency or other source authorized to place children for adoption under State or local law. Such term does not include any expense incurred
  - (A) by an adopting parent for travel; or
  - (B) in connection with an adoption arranged in violation of Federal, State, or local law.
- (2) The term "reasonable and necessary expenses" includes—
  - (A) public and private agency fees, including adoption fees charged by an agency in a foreign country;
  - (B) placement fees, including fees charged adoptive parents for counseling;
  - (C) legal fees (including court costs) in connection with services that are unavailable to a member of the armed forces under section 1044 or 1044a of this title; and
  - (D) medical expenses, including hospital expenses of the biological mother of the child to be adopted and of a newborn infant to be adopted.
- (3) The term "qualified adoption agency" means any of the following:
  - (A) A State or local government agency which has responsibility under State or local law for child placement through adoption.
  - (B) A nonprofit, voluntary adoption agency which is authorized by State or local law to place children for adoption.
  - (C) Any other source authorized by a State to provide adoption placement if the adoption is supervised by a court under State or local law.
  - (D) A foreign government or an agency authorized by a foreign government to place children for adoption, in any case in which—
    - (i) the adopted child is entitled to automatic citizenship under section 320 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1431); or
    - (ii) a certificate of citizenship has been issued for such child under section 322 of that Act (8 U.S.C. 1433).

(Added Pub. L. 102–190, div. A, title VI, §651(a)(1), Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1385; amended Pub. L. 102–484, div. A, title X, §1052(12), Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2499; Pub. L. 104–201, div. A, title VI, §652(a), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2582; Pub. L. 106–398, §1 [[div. A], title V, §579(c)(1)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A–141; Pub. L. 108–375, div. A, title VI, §661, Oct. 28, 2004, 118 Stat. 1974; Pub. L. 109–163, div. A, title V, §592(a), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3280.)

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1052 was renumbered section 1063 of this title and subsequently repealed.

#### AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (g)(1). Pub. L. 109-163 inserted "or other source authorized to place children for adoption under State or local law" after "qualified adoption agency" in introductory provisions.

2004—Subsec. (g)(3)(D). Pub. L. 108–375 added subpar.

2000—Pub. L. 106–398 substituted "Adoption expenses: reimbursement" for "Reimbursement for adoption expenses" in section catchline.

1996—Subsec. (g)(1). Pub. L. 104–201, §652(a)(1), substituted "qualified adoption agency." for "State or local government agency which has responsibility under State or local law for child placement through adoption or by a nonprofit, voluntary adoption agency which is authorized by State or local law to place children for adoption."

Subsec. (g)(3). Pub. L. 104-201,  $\S652(a)(2)$ , added par. (3).

1992—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 102–484 inserted close parenthesis before period at end.

# EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 102–190, div. A, title VI, §651(c), Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1387, provided that: "The amendments made by subsections (a) and (b) [enacting this section and section 514 of Title 14, Coast Guard] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 5, 1991] and shall apply to adoptions completed on or after that date."

REIMBURSEMENT FOR ADOPTIONS COMPLETED DURING PERIOD BETWEEN TEST AND PERMANENT PROGRAM

Pub. L. 102–484, div. A, title VI, §652, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2426, provided that this section and section 514 of Title 14, Coast Guard, would apply with respect to the reimbursement of adoption expenses incurred for an adoption proceeding completed during the period beginning on Oct. 1, 1990, and ending on Dec. 4, 1991, to the extent that such expenses would have been covered if the proceeding had been completed after Dec. 4, 1991, but only if an application for such reimbursement had been made within one year after Oct. 23, 1992.

## § 1053. Financial institution charges incurred because of Government error in direct deposit of pay: reimbursement

- (a)(1) A member of the armed forces (or a former member of the armed forces entitled to retired pay under chapter 1223 of this title) who, in accordance with law or regulation, participates in a program for the automatic deposit of pay to a financial institution may be reimbursed by the Secretary concerned for a covered late-deposit charge.
- (2) A covered late-deposit charge for purposes of paragraph (1) is a charge (including an overdraft charge or a minimum balance or average balance charge) that is levied by a financial institution and that results from an administrative or mechanical error on the part of the Government that causes the pay of the person concerned to be deposited late or in an incorrect manner or amount.
- (b) Reimbursements under this section shall be made from appropriations available for the pay and allowances of members of the armed force concerned.
- (c) The Secretaries concerned shall prescribe regulations to carry out this section, including regulations for the manner in which reimbursement under this section is to be made.
  - (d) In this section:
  - (1) The term "financial institution" means a bank, savings and loan association, or similar institution or a credit union chartered by the United States or a State.
  - (2) The term "pay" includes (A) retired pay, and (B) allowances.