

## AMENDMENTS

2013—Par. (1). Pub. L. 113-67 substituted “paragraph (3) or (4)” for “paragraph (3)”.

2008—Pub. L. 110-181, in introductory provisions, substituted “section 322 (as in effect before the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008) or section 354” for “section 322”.

1999—Pub. L. 106-65 inserted “certain” before “members” in section catchline and “who has elected to receive a bonus under section 322 of title 37,” after “August 1, 1986,” in introductory provisions.

1989—Pub. L. 101-189, § 651(b)(4), in introductory provisions, inserted “or former member” after “In the case of a member”, “the retired pay of such member”, “after the member”, and “to which the member”, and in par. (1), substituted “retired pay of the member or former member” for “member’s retired pay”.

1987—Pub. L. 100-224 struck out heading “(a) General rule”, substituted provisions that the amount equal to the amount of retired pay to which the member would be entitled on that date if (1) increases in the member’s retired pay under section 1401a(b) of this title had been computed as provided in paragraph (2) of that section (rather than under paragraph (3) of that section); and (2) in the case of a member whose retired pay was subject to section 1409(b)(2) of this title, no reduction in the member’s retired pay had been made under that section, for provisions that the amount equal to (1) the amount of the member’s initial unreduced retired pay, increased by (2) the percent (adjusted to the nearest one-tenth of 1 percent) by which (A) the price index for the most recent base quarter ending more than 31 days before the date the member attains 62 years of age, exceeds (B) the price index for the calendar quarter immediately before the date the member first became entitled to retired pay, and struck out subsec. (b) which had directed that, in this section, the term “initial unreduced retired pay” meant the amount of retired pay (A) to which the member was entitled when the member first became entitled to retired pay; or (B) in the case of a member whose retired pay was subject to section 1409(b)(2) of this title, to which the member would have been entitled on the date of the member’s retirement without regard to that section, and that the definitions in subsection (g), and the provisions of subsection (h), of section 1401a of this title applied to this section.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2013 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 113-67 effective Dec. 1, 2015, see section 403(c) of Pub. L. 113-67, set out as a note under section 1401a of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1999 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 106-65 effective Oct. 1, 1999, see section 644 of Pub. L. 106-65, set out as a note under section 1401a of this title.

**§ 1411. Rules of construction**

(a) CONSTRUCTION OF “FIRST BECAME A MEMBER”.—For purposes of this chapter and other provisions of law providing for computation of retired or retainer pay of members of the uniformed services, a person shall be considered to first become a member of a uniformed service on the date the person is first enlisted, inducted, or appointed in a uniformed service.

(b) REFERENCES IN TABLES.—Section references in tables in this chapter are to sections of this title.

(Added Pub. L. 99-348, title I, § 105, July 1, 1986, 100 Stat. 691.)

**§ 1412. Administrative provisions**

(a) ROUNDING.—Amounts computed under this chapter, if not a multiple of \$1, shall be rounded to the next lower multiple of \$1.

(b) PAYMENT DATE.—Amounts of retired pay and retainer pay due a retired member of the uniformed services shall be paid on the first day of each month beginning after the month in which the right to such pay accrues.

(Added Pub. L. 99-348, title I, § 105, July 1, 1986, 100 Stat. 691; amended Pub. L. 111-383, div. A, title VI, § 632(a), (b)(1), Jan. 7, 2011, 124 Stat. 4240.)

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2011—Pub. L. 111-383, § 632(b)(1), substituted “Administrative provisions” for “Rounding to next lower dollar” in section catchline.

Pub. L. 111-383, § 632(a), designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted heading, and added subsec. (b).

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2011 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 111-383, div. A, title VI, § 632(c), Jan. 7, 2011, 124 Stat. 4240, provided that: “Subsection (b) of section 1412 of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a), shall apply beginning with the first month that begins more than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Jan. 7, 2011].”

**§ 1413. Repealed. Pub. L. 108-136, div. A, title VI, § 641(b), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1514]**

Section, added Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title VI, § 658(a)(1), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 668; amended Pub. L. 106-398, § 1 [[div. A], title VI, § 657(a)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-166; Pub. L. 107-107, div. A, title VI, § 641(b), (e)(1), (2), Dec. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 1150, 1151; Pub. L. 107-314, div. A, title VI, § 636(b), Dec. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2576; Pub. L. 108-136, div. A, title VI, § 641(c)(1), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1514, related to special compensation for certain severely disabled uniformed services retirees.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective Jan. 1, 2004, and applicable to payments for months beginning on or after that date, see section 641(e) of Pub. L. 108-136, set out as an Effective Date of 2003 Amendment note under section 1414 of this title.

**§ 1413a. Combat-related special compensation**

(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary concerned shall pay to each eligible combat-related disabled uniformed services retiree who elects benefits under this section a monthly amount for the combat-related disability of the retiree determined under subsection (b).

(b) AMOUNT.—

(1) DETERMINATION OF MONTHLY AMOUNT.—Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), the monthly amount to be paid an eligible combat-related disabled uniformed services retiree under subsection (a) for any month is the amount of compensation to which the retiree is entitled under title 38 for that month, determined without regard to any disability of the retiree that is not a combat-related disability.

(2) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—The amount paid to an eligible combat-related disabled uniformed services retiree for any month under paragraph (1) may not exceed the amount of the reduction in retired pay that is applicable to the retiree for that month under sections 5304 and 5305 of title 38.

(3) SPECIAL RULES FOR CHAPTER 61 DISABILITY RETIREES.—

(A) GENERAL RULE.—In the case of an eligible combat-related disabled uniformed services retiree who is retired under chapter 61

of this title, the amount of the payment under paragraph (1) for any month may not, when combined with the amount of retired pay payable to the retiree after any such reduction under sections 5304 and 5305 of title 38, cause the total of such combined payment to exceed the amount of retired pay to which the member would have been entitled under any other provision of law based upon the member's service in the uniformed services if the member had not been retired under chapter 61 of this title.

(B) SPECIAL RULE FOR RETIREES WITH FEWER THAN 20 YEARS OF SERVICE.—In the case of an eligible combat-related disabled uniformed services retiree who is retired under chapter 61 of this title with fewer than 20 years of creditable service, the amount of the payment under paragraph (1) for any month may not, when combined with the amount of retired pay payable to the retiree after any such reduction under sections 5304 and 5305 of title 38, cause the total of such combined payment to exceed the amount equal to 2½ percent of the member's years of creditable service multiplied by the member's retired pay base under section 1406(b)(1) or 1407 of this title, whichever is applicable to the member.

(c) ELIGIBLE RETIREES.—For purposes of this section, an eligible combat-related disabled uniformed services retiree referred to in subsection (a) is a member of the uniformed services who—

- (1) is entitled to retired pay (other than by reason of section 12731b of this title); and
- (2) has a combat-related disability.

(d) PROCEDURES.—The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe procedures and criteria under which a disabled uniformed services retiree may apply to the Secretary of a military department to be considered to be an eligible combat-related disabled uniformed services retiree. Such procedures shall apply uniformly throughout the Department of Defense.

(e) COMBAT-RELATED DISABILITY.—In this section, the term “combat-related disability” means a disability that is compensable under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and that—

- (1) is attributable to an injury for which the member was awarded the Purple Heart; or
- (2) was incurred (as determined under criteria prescribed by the Secretary of Defense)—
  - (A) as a direct result of armed conflict;
  - (B) while engaged in hazardous service;
  - (C) in the performance of duty under conditions simulating war; or
  - (D) through an instrumentality of war.

(f) COORDINATION WITH CONCURRENT RECEIPT PROVISION.—Subsection (d) of section 1414 of this title provides for coordination between benefits under that section and under this section.

(g) STATUS OF PAYMENTS.—Payments under this section are not retired pay.

(h) SOURCE OF PAYMENTS.—Payments under this section for a member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps shall be paid from the Department of Defense Military Retirement Fund. Payments under this section for any other member for any fiscal year shall be paid out of

funds appropriated for pay and allowances payable by the Secretary concerned for that fiscal year.

(i) OTHER DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

- (1) The term “service-connected” has the meaning given such term in section 101 of title 38.
- (2) The term “retired pay” includes retainer pay, emergency officers' retirement pay, and naval pension.

(Added Pub. L. 107-314, div. A, title VI, § 636(a)(1), Dec. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2574; amended Pub. L. 108-136, div. A, title VI, §§ 641(c)(1), 642(a)-(e)(1), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1514, 1516, 1517; Pub. L. 110-181, div. A, title VI, § 641(a), (b), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 156; Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title VI, § 643(a), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1783.)

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2013—Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 112-239 substituted “may not, when combined with the amount of retired pay payable to the retiree after any such reduction under sections 5304 and 5305 of title 38, cause the total of such combined payment to exceed” for “shall be reduced by the amount (if any) by which the amount of the member's retired pay under chapter 61 of this title exceeds” in subpars. (A) and (B).

2008—Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 110-181, § 641(b), designated existing text as subpar. (A), inserted heading, and added subpar. (B).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 110-181, § 641(a), substituted “who—” for “entitled to retired pay who—” in introductory provisions, added pars. (1) and (2), and struck out former pars. (1) and (2) which read as follows:

“(1) has completed at least 20 years of service in the uniformed services that are creditable for purposes of computing the amount of retired pay to which the member is entitled or is entitled to retired pay under section 12731 of this title (other than by reason of section 12731b of this title); and

“(2) has a combat-related disability.”

2003—Pub. L. 108-136, § 642(e)(1), substituted “Combat-related special compensation” for “Special compensation for certain combat-related disabled uniformed services retirees” in section catchline.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 108-136, § 642(c), substituted “under subsection (a) for any month is the amount of compensation to which the retiree is entitled under title 38 for that month, determined without regard to any disability of the retiree that is not a combat-related disability.” for “for a combat-related disability under subsection (a) is the monthly amount of compensation to which the retiree would be entitled solely for the combat-related disability consistent with chapter 11 of title 38.”

Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 108-136, § 642(b), inserted before semicolon at end “or is entitled to retired pay under section 12731 of this title (other than by reason of section 12731b of this title)”.

Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 108-136, § 642(a)(2), struck out “qualifying” before “combat-related disability”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 108-136, § 642(a)(1), amended heading and text of subsec. (e) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (e) defined term “qualifying combat-related disability”.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 108-136, § 642(d), amended heading and text of subsec. (f) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows:

“(1) SINGLE SOURCE OF COMPENSATION.—An individual who is paid special compensation under this section may not receive special compensation under section 1413 of this title.

“(2) ELECTION OF SOURCE.—An individual who is eligible for special compensation under this section and special compensation under section 1413 of this title shall elect which special compensation to receive.

“(3) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe in regulations the manner and form of an election under this subsection.”

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 108-136, § 641(c)(1), inserted first sentence and inserted “for any other member” before “for any fiscal year”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2013 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title VI, § 643(b), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1783, provided that: “The amendment made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect as of January 1, 2013, and shall apply to payments for months beginning on or after that date.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 110-181, div. A, title VI, § 641(c), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 156, provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect on January 1, 2008, and shall apply to payments for months beginning on or after that date.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2003 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 108-136, div. A, title VI, § 641(c)(6), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1516, provided that: “The amendments made by this subsection [amending this section and sections 1413, 1463, 1465, and 1466 of this title] shall take effect as of October 1, 2003. The Secretary of Defense shall provide for such administrative adjustments as necessary to provide for payments made for any period during fiscal year 2004 before the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 24, 2003] to be treated as having been made in accordance with such amendments and for the provisions of such amendments to be implemented as if enacted as of September 30, 2003.”

Pub. L. 108-136, div. A, title VI, § 642(f), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1517, provided that: “The amendments made by subsections (a), (b), and (c) [amending this section] shall apply to payments under section 1413a of title 10, United States Code, for months beginning on or after January 1, 2004. The amendment made by subsection (d) [amending this section] shall take effect on January 1, 2004.”

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 107-314, div. A, title VI, § 636(a)(2), Dec. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2576, provided that: “Section 1413a of title 10, United States Code, as added by paragraph (1), shall take effect not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 2, 2002].”

**§ 1414. Members eligible for retired pay who are also eligible for veterans’ disability compensation for disabilities rated 50 percent or higher: concurrent payment of retired pay and veterans’ disability compensation**

(a) PAYMENT OF BOTH RETIRED PAY AND COMPENSATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), a member or former member of the uniformed services who is entitled for any month to retired pay and who is also entitled for that month to veterans’ disability compensation for a qualifying service-connected disability (hereinafter in this section referred to as a “qualified retiree”) is entitled to be paid both for that month without regard to sections 5304 and 5305 of title 38. During the period beginning on January 1, 2004, and ending on December 31, 2013, payment of retired pay to such a qualified retiree is subject to subsection (c), except that payment of retired pay is subject to subsection (c) only during the period beginning on January 1, 2004, and ending on December 31, 2004, in the case of the following:

(A) A qualified retiree receiving veterans’ disability compensation for a disability rated as 100 percent.

(B) A qualified retiree receiving veterans’ disability compensation at the rate payable

for a 100 percent disability by reason of a determination of individual unemployability.

(2) QUALIFYING SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY.—In this section, the term “qualifying service-connected disability” means a service-connected disability or combination of service-connected disabilities that is rated as not less than 50 percent disabling by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

(b) SPECIAL RULES FOR CHAPTER 61 DISABILITY RETIREES.—

(1) CAREER RETIREES.—The retired pay of a member retired under chapter 61 of this title with 20 years or more of service otherwise creditable under section 1405 of this title, or at least 20 years of service computed under section 12732 of this title, at the time of the member’s retirement is subject to reduction under sections 5304 and 5305 of title 38, but only to the extent that the amount of the member’s retired pay under chapter 61 of this title exceeds the amount of retired pay to which the member would have been entitled under any other provision of law based upon the member’s service in the uniformed services if the member had not been retired under chapter 61 of this title.

(2) DISABILITY RETIREES WITH LESS THAN 20 YEARS OF SERVICE.—Subsection (a) does not apply to a member retired under chapter 61 of this title with less than 20 years of service otherwise creditable under section 1405 of this title, or with less than 20 years of service computed under section 12732 of this title, at the time of the member’s retirement.

(c) PHASE-IN OF FULL CONCURRENT RECEIPT.—During the period beginning on January 1, 2004, and ending on December 31, 2013, retired pay payable to a qualified retiree that pursuant to the second sentence of subsection (a)(1) is subject to this subsection shall be determined as follows:

(1) CALENDAR YEAR 2004.—For a month during 2004, the amount of retired pay payable to a qualified retiree is the amount (if any) of retired pay in excess of the current baseline offset plus the following:

(A) For a month for which the retiree receives veterans’ disability compensation for a disability rated as total, \$750.

(B) For a month for which the retiree receives veterans’ disability compensation for a disability rated as 90 percent, \$500.

(C) For a month for which the retiree receives veterans’ disability compensation for a disability rated as 80 percent, \$350.

(D) For a month for which the retiree receives veterans’ disability compensation for a disability rated as 70 percent, \$250.

(E) For a month for which the retiree receives veterans’ disability compensation for a disability rated as 60 percent, \$125.

(F) For a month for which the retiree receives veterans’ disability compensation for a disability rated as 50 percent, \$100.

(2) CALENDAR YEAR 2005.—For a month during 2005, the amount of retired pay payable to a qualified retiree is the sum of—

(A) the amount specified in paragraph (1) for that qualified retiree; and