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- 2776. Use of receipts of public money for current expenditures.
- 2777. Requisitions for advances and removal of charges outstanding in accounts of advances.
- [2778. Repealed.]
- 2779. Use of funds because of fluctuations in currency exchange rates of foreign countries.
- 2780. Debt collection.
- 2781. Availability of appropriations: exchange fees; losses in accounts.
- 2782. Damage to real property: disposition of amounts recovered.
- 2783. Nonappropriated fund instrumentalities: financial management and use of nonappropriated funds.
- 2784. Management of purchase cards.
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- 2786. Department of Defense payments by electronic transfers of funds: exercise of authority for waivers.
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- 2788. Property accountability: regulations.
- 2789. Individual equipment: unauthorized disposition.
- 2790. Recovery of improperly disposed of Department of Defense property.

AMENDMENTS

- 2011—Pub. L. 111-383, div. A, title III, § 355(b), Jan. 7, 2011, 124 Stat. 4197, added item 2790.
- 2008—Pub. L. 110-181, div. A, title III, § 375(b), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 83, added items 2788 and 2789.
- 2006—Pub. L. 109-364, div. A, title X, § 1053(a)(2), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2396, added item 2773b.
- 2002—Pub. L. 107-314, div. A, title X, §§ 1005(b), 1006(a)(2), 1007(b)(2), 1008(b), Dec. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2632-2635, substituted “purchase” for “credit” in item 2784 and added items 2773a, 2784a, and 2787.
- 1999—Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title IX, § 933(a)(2), title X, § 1008(a)(2), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 730, 738, added items 2784 to 2786.
- 1996—Pub. L. 104-316, title I, § 105(d), Oct. 19, 1996, 110 Stat. 3830, struck out item 2778 “Accounts of the military departments”.
- Pub. L. 104-106, div. B, title XXVIII, § 2821(b), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 556, added item 2782.
- 1993—Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title XI, § 1182(a)(8)(C), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1771, added item 2783.
- 1990—Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XIV, § 1405(c)(2), title XV, § 1533(a)(4)(B), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1680, 1734, substituted “Retirement Home” for “retirement homes” in item 2772 and struck out item 2782 “Unobligated balances withdrawn from availability for obligation: limitations on restoration”.
- 1989—Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title III, § 342(a)(2), title XVI, § 1603(a)(2), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1420, 1598, added items 2772 and 2782.
- 1988—Pub. L. 100-370, § 1(m)(2), July 19, 1988, 102 Stat. 850, added item 2781.
- 1987—Pub. L. 100-26, § 7(j)(7)(C), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 283, substituted “allowances and of” for “allowances, and” in item 2774.
- 1986—Pub. L. 99-661, div. A, title XIII, § 1309(b), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3983, added item 2780.
- 1985—Pub. L. 99-224, § 2(b), Dec. 28, 1985, 99 Stat. 1742, substituted “and” for “other than” in item 2774.
- Pub. L. 99-167, title VIII, § 802(d)(2), Dec. 3, 1985, 99 Stat. 987, substituted “assigned to military housing” for “for damage to housing and related equipment and furnishings” in item 2775.
- 1984—Pub. L. 98-407, title VIII, § 801(a)(2), Aug. 28, 1984, 98 Stat. 1518, substituted “members for damage to housing and related equipment and furnishings” for “member for damages to family housing, equipment, and furnishings” in item 2775.
- 1982—Pub. L. 97-258, § 2(b)(7)(A), (8)(A), Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1054, substituted “Designation, powers, and ac-

countability of deputy disbursing officials” for “Accountability for public money: disbursing officers; agent officers” in item 2773 and added items 2776, 2777, 2778, and 2779.

1980—Pub. L. 96-513, title V, § 511(96), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2928, struck out item 2772 “Withholding pay of officers”.

Pub. L. 96-418, title V, § 506(b), Oct. 10, 1980, 94 Stat. 1766, added item 2775.

1972—Pub. L. 92-453, § 1(2), Oct. 2, 1972, 86 Stat. 759, added item 2774.

1962—Pub. L. 87-480, § 1(1)(B), June 8, 1962, 76 Stat. 94, added item 2773.

§ 2771. Final settlement of accounts: deceased members

(a) In the settlement of the accounts of a deceased member of the armed forces, an amount due from the armed force of which he was a member shall be paid to the person highest on the following list living on the date of death:

- (1) Beneficiary designated by him in writing to receive such an amount, if the designation is received, before the deceased member’s death, at the place named in regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary concerned.
- (2) Surviving spouse.
- (3) Children and their descendants, by representation.
- (4) Father and mother in equal parts or, if either is dead, the survivor.
- (5) Legal representative.
- (6) Person entitled under the law of the domicile of the deceased member.

(b) Designations and changes of designation of beneficiaries under subsection (a)(1) are subject to regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary concerned. So far as practicable, these regulations shall be uniform for the uniformed services.

(c) Payments under subsection (a) shall be made by the Secretary of Defense.

(d) A payment under this section bars recovery by any other person of the amount paid.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 155; Pub. L. 85-861, § 1(56), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1461; Pub. L. 86-641, July 12, 1960, 74 Stat. 473; Pub. L. 89-718, § 8(a), Nov. 2, 1966, 80 Stat. 1117; Pub. L. 96-513, title V, § 511(97), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2928; Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title XI, § 1182(a)(11), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1771; Pub. L. 104-316, title II, § 202(f), Oct. 19, 1996, 110 Stat. 3842.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES
1956 ACT

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
2771(a)	10:868 (less proviso). 34:941a (less proviso).	June 30, 1906, ch. 3914, § 1 (last par. under “State or Territorial Homes for Disabled Soldiers and Sailors”); restated Dec. 7, 1944, ch. 519; restated Feb. 25, 1946, ch. 35, § 4, 60 Stat. 30.
2771(b)	10:868 (proviso). 34:941a (proviso).	Feb. 25, 1946, ch. 35, § 1, 60 Stat. 30; Aug. 4, 1949, ch. 393, § 18, 63 Stat. 560.

In subsections (a) and (b), the words “General Accounting Office” are substituted for the words “accounting officers”, for clarity.

In subsection (a), the word “member” is substituted for the words “officers or enlisted persons”, in 10:868