

pose, as may appear to be” are omitted as surplusage. The words “except for property properly expended” are inserted for clarity. The word “stores” is omitted as covered by the word “supplies”.

§ 4655. Arms and ammunition: agencies and departments of the United States

(a) Whenever required for the protection of public money and property, the Secretary of the Army may lend arms and their accouterments, and issue ammunition, to a department or independent agency of the United States, upon request of its head. Property lent or issued under this subsection may be delivered to an officer of the department or agency designated by the head thereof, and that officer shall account for the property to the Secretary of the Army. Property lent or issued under this subsection and not properly expended shall be returned when it is no longer needed.

(b) The department or agency to which property is lent or issued under subsection (a) shall transfer funds to the credit of the Department of the Army to cover the costs of—

- (1) ammunition issued;
- (2) replacing arms and accouterments that have been lost or destroyed, or cannot be repaired;
- (3) repairing arms and accouterments returned to the Department of the Army; and
- (4) making and receiving shipments by the Department of the Army.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 261.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| Revised section | Source (U.S. Code) | Source (Statutes at Large) |
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| 4655(a) | 50:61 (less proviso). | Mar. 3, 1879, ch. 183 (2d par. under “Miscellaneous”); restated Apr. 14, 1937, ch. 79, 50 Stat. 63. |
| 4655(b) | 50:61 (proviso). | |

In subsection (a), the word “lend” is substituted for the word “issue”, with respect to arms and accouterments, since the property must be returned when the necessity for its use has expired. The words “and not properly expended” are inserted for clarity. The words “United States” are substituted for the word “Government”. The word “their” is substituted for the words “suitable * * * for use therewith”. The words “it is no longer needed” are substituted for the words “the necessity for their use has expired”.

In subsection (b), the words “hereafter”, “borrowed”, and “under the authority of this section” are omitted as surplusage.

§ 4656. Aircraft and equipment: civilian aviation schools

The Secretary of the Army, under regulations to be prescribed by him, may lend aircraft, aircraft parts, and aeronautical equipment and accessories that are required for instruction, training, and maintenance, to accredited civilian aviation schools at which personnel of the Department of the Army or the Department of the Air Force are pursuing a course of instruction and training under detail by competent orders.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 261; Pub. L. 97-295, §1(42), Oct. 12, 1982, 96 Stat. 1298.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| Revised section | Source (U.S. Code) | Source (Statutes at Large) |
|-----------------|--------------------|---|
| 4656 | 10:298b. | Apr. 3, 1939, ch. 35, §4, 53 Stat. 556. |

The words “in his discretion and”, “rules”, “limitations”, and “on hand and belonging to the Government, such articles as may appear to be” are omitted as surplusage. The words “Department of the Army or the Department of the Air Force” are substituted for the words “Military Establishment”, since the authority is reciprocal.

AMENDMENTS

1982—Pub. L. 97-295 struck out “, and at least one of which is designated by the Civil Aeronautics Authority for the training of Negro air pilots” after “competent orders”.

§ 4657. Sale of ammunition for avalanche-control purposes

Subject to the needs of the Army, the Secretary of the Army may sell ammunition for military weapons which are used for avalanche-control purposes to any State (or entity of a State) or to any other non-Federal entity that has been authorized by a State to use those weapons in that State for avalanche-control purposes. Sales of ammunition under this section shall be on a reimbursable basis and shall be subject to the condition that the ammunition be used only for avalanche-control purposes.

(Added Pub. L. 98-525, title XV, §1538(a)(1), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2636.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 98-525, title XV, §1538(b), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2636, provided that: “Section 4657 of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a), shall take effect on October 1, 1984.”

CHAPTER 443—DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE OR SURPLUS MATERIAL

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AMENDMENTS

2013—Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title X, §1051(b), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1935, substituted “Excess non-automatic service rifles: loan or donation for funeral and other ceremonial purposes” for “Excess M-1 rifles: loan or donation for funeral and other ceremonial purposes” in item 4683.

2006—Pub. L. 109-364, div. A, title III, §353(b), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2161, added item 4690.

2002—Pub. L. 107-217, §2(2), Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1295, added item 4689.

2000—Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title III, §382(a)(2)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-85, added item 4688.

1999—Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title III, §381(d)(2), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 583, substituted “Excess M-1 rifles: loan or donation for funeral and other ceremonial purposes” for “Obsolete or condemned rifles: loan to local units of recognized veterans’ organizations” in item 4683.

1997—Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title X, §1065(a)(2), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1895, added item 4687.

§ 4681. Surplus war material: sale to States and foreign governments

Subject to regulations under section 121 of title 40, the Secretary of the Army may sell surplus war material and supplies, except food, of the Department of the Army, for which there is no adequate domestic market, to any State or to any foreign government with which the United States was at peace on June 5, 1920. Sales under this section shall be made upon terms that the Secretary considers expedient.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 262; Pub. L. 96-513, title V, §512(19), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2930; Pub. L. 107-217, §3(b)(24), Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1297.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| <i>Revised section</i> | <i>Source (U.S. Code)</i> | <i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i> |
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| 4681 | 10:1262. | June 5, 1920, ch. 240 (2d proviso under “Contingencies of the Army”), 41 Stat. 949; Oct. 31, 1951, ch. 654, §2(8), 65 Stat. 707. |

The word “may” is substituted for the words “is authorized in his discretion to”. The words “war material” are substituted for the word “matériel”. The words “or equipment” are omitted as covered by the word “supplies”. The words “of the Department of the Army” are substituted for the words “pertaining to the Military Establishment”. The words “which are not needed for military purposes” are omitted as covered by the word “surplus”. The words “as or may be found to be” are omitted as surplusage.

AMENDMENTS

2002—Pub. L. 107-217 substituted “section 121 of title 40” for “section 205 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 486)”.

1980—Pub. L. 96-513 substituted “section 205 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 486)” for “section 486 of title 40”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-513 effective Dec. 12, 1980, see section 701(b)(3) of Pub. L. 96-513, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

§ 4682. Obsolete or excess material: sale to National Council of Boy Scouts of America

Subject to regulations under section 121 of title 40, the Secretary of the Army, under such conditions as he may prescribe, may sell obsolete or excess material to the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Sales under this section shall be at fair value to the Department of the Army, including packing, handling, and transportation.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 262; Pub. L. 96-513, title V, §512(19), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat.

2930; Pub. L. 107-217, §3(b)(25), Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1297.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| <i>Revised section</i> | <i>Source (U.S. Code)</i> | <i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i> |
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| 4682 | 10:1259. | May 15, 1937, ch. 193, 50 Stat. 167; Oct. 31, 1951, ch. 654, §2(7), 65 Stat. 707. |

The words “obsolete or excess material” are substituted for the words “such obsolete material as may not be needed by the Department of the Army, and such other material as may be spared” to conform to the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended (40 U.S.C. 471 et seq.). The words “in his discretion” are omitted as surplusage.

AMENDMENTS

2002—Pub. L. 107-217 substituted “section 121 of title 40” for “section 205 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 486)”.

1980—Pub. L. 96-513 substituted “section 205 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 486)” for “section 486 of title 40”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-513 effective Dec. 12, 1980, see section 701(b)(3) of Pub. L. 96-513, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

§ 4683. Excess non-automatic service rifles: loan or donation for funeral and other ceremonial purposes

(a) AUTHORITY TO LEND OR DONATE.—(1) The Secretary of the Army, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, may conditionally lend or donate excess M-1 rifles (not more than 15), slings, and cartridge belts to any eligible organization for use by that organization for funeral ceremonies of a member or former member of the armed forces, and for other ceremonial purposes.

(2) If the rifles to be loaned or donated under paragraph (1) are to be used by the eligible organization for funeral ceremonies of a member or former member of the armed forces, the Secretary may issue and deliver the rifles, together with the necessary accoutrements and blank ammunition, without charge.

(3)(A) In order to meet the needs of an eligible organization with respect to performing funeral and other ceremonies, if the Secretary determines appropriate, the Secretary may—

- (i) loan or donate excess non-automatic service rifles to an eligible organization; or
- (ii) authorize an eligible organization to retain non-automatic service rifles other than M-1 rifles.

(B) Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to supersede any Federal law or regulation governing the use or ownership of firearms.

(b) RELIEF FROM LIABILITY.—The Secretary may relieve an eligible organization to which materials are lent or donated under subsection (a), and the surety on its bond, from liability for loss or destruction of the material lent or donated, if there is conclusive evidence that the loss or destruction did not result from negligence.

(c) CONDITIONS ON LOAN OR DONATION.—In lending or donating rifles under subsection (a), the