

**CHAPTER 867—RETIREMENT FOR LENGTH  
OF SERVICE**

Sec.	
8911.	Twenty years or more: regular or reserve commissioned officers.
[8912, 8913. Repealed.]	
8914.	Twenty to thirty years: enlisted members.
[8915, 8916. Repealed.]	
8917.	Thirty years or more: regular enlisted members.
8918.	Thirty years or more: regular commissioned officers.
[8919. Repealed.]	
8920.	More than thirty years: permanent professors and the Director of Admissions of the United States Air Force Academy.
8921.	Mandatory retirement: Superintendent of the United States Air Force Academy; waiver authority.
[8922, 8923. Repealed.]	
8924.	Forty years or more: Air Force officers.
8925.	Computation of years of service: voluntary retirement; enlisted members.
8926.	Computation of years of service: voluntary retirement; regular and reserve commissioned officers.
[8927, 8928. Repealed.]	
8929.	Computation of retired pay: law applicable.

AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108-375, div. A, title V, §541(c)(3)(B), Oct. 28, 2004, 118 Stat. 1904, inserted “; waiver authority” after “Academy” in item 8921.

1999—Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title V, §532(a)(4)(E), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 604, added item 8921.

1996—Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title V, §509(b)(2), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 298, substituted “permanent professors and the Director of Admissions” for “professors” in item 8920.

1980—Pub. L. 96-513, title V, §504(17), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2917, struck out items 8913 “Twenty years or more: deferred officers not recommended for promotion”, 8915 “Twenty-eight years: deferred retirement of nurses and medical specialists in regular grade of major”, 8916 “Twenty-eight years: promotion-list lieutenant colonels”, 8919 “Thirty years or more: regular commissioned officers; excessive number”, 8921 “Thirty years or five years in grade: promotion-list colonels”, 8922 “Thirty years or five years in grade: regular brigadier generals”, 8923 “Thirty-five years or five years in grade: regular major generals”, and 8927 “Computation of years of service: mandatory retirement; regular commissioned officers”.

Pub. L. 96-343, §9(b)(3), Sept. 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 1129, struck out “regular” before “enlisted members” in items 8914 and 8925.

1967—Pub. L. 90-130, §1(32)(C), Nov. 8, 1967, 81 Stat. 383, substituted “Twenty-eight years: deferred retirement of nurses and medical specialists in regular grade of major” for “Twenty-five years: female majors except those designated under section 8067(a)-(d) or (g)-(i) of this title; male majors designated under section 8067(e) or (f) of this title” in item 8915.

1966—Pub. L. 89-609, §1(32), Sept. 30, 1966, 80 Stat. 854, inserted “; male majors designated under section 8067(e) or (f) of this title” in item 8915.

1957—Pub. L. 85-155, title III, §301(21), Aug. 21, 1957, 71 Stat. 389, struck out items 8912 and 8928, and substituted “section 8067(a)-(d) or (g)-(i)” for “section 8067” in item 8915.

**§ 8911. Twenty years or more: regular or reserve commissioned officers**

(a) The Secretary of the Air Force may, upon the officer’s request, retire a regular or reserve commissioned officer of the Air Force who has at least 20 years of service computed under sec-

tion 8926 of this title, at least 10 years of which have been active service as a commissioned officer.

(b)(1) The Secretary of Defense may authorize the Secretary of the Air Force, during the period specified in paragraph (2), to reduce the requirement under subsection (a) for at least 10 years of active service as a commissioned officer to a period (determined by the Secretary of the Air Force) of not less than eight years.

(2) The period specified in this paragraph is the period beginning on January 7, 2011, and ending on September 30, 2018.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 549; Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title V, §523(c), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1562; Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title V, §561(c), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1667; Pub. L. 105-261, div. A, title V, §561(e), Oct. 17, 1998, 112 Stat. 2025; Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title V, §571(e)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-134; Pub. L. 109-163, div. A, title V, §502(c), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3225; Pub. L. 109-364, div. A, title X, §1071(a)(37), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2400; Pub. L. 111-383, div. A, title V, §506(c), Jan. 7, 2011, 124 Stat. 4210; Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title V, §505(c), title X, §1076(e)(6), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1715, 1951.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
8911 .....	10:943a. 10:971b (1st 100 words).	July 31, 1935, ch. 422, § 5 (1st 101 words); re-stated June 13, 1940, ch. 344, § 3 (1st 45 words), 54 Stat. 380; June 29, 1948, ch. 708, §202 (1st 105 words), 62 Stat. 1084; July 16, 1953, ch. 203, 67 Stat. 175.

The words “a regular or reserve commissioned officer of the Air Force” are substituted for the words “any officer on the active list of the \* \* \* Regular Air Force \* \* \* or any officer of the reserve components of the \* \* \* Air Force of the United States”. The words “Philippine Scouts” are omitted as obsolete. The words “has at least 20” are substituted for the words “shall have completed not less than twenty”. The words “upon his request” are substituted for the words “upon his own application”. The words “service computed under section 8926 of this title” are substituted for the words “active Federal service in the armed forces of the United States”, since that revised section makes explicit the service covered.

AMENDMENTS

2013—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 112-239, §1076(e)(6), substituted “January 7, 2011,” for “the date of the enactment of the Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011”.

Pub. L. 112-239 substituted “September 30, 2018” for “September 30, 2013”.

2011—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 111-383 substituted “the date of the enactment of the Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011 and ending on September 30, 2013” for “January 6, 2006, and ending on December 31, 2008”.

2006—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 109-364 struck out second comma after “paragraph (2)” in par. (1) and substituted “January 6, 2006,” for “the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006” in par. (2).

Pub. L. 109-163 designated existing provisions as par. (1), substituted “during the period specified in paragraph (2),” for “during the period beginning on October 1, 1990, and ending on December 31, 2001”, and added par. (2).