

ment, text read as follows: “Upon increasing under subsection (c)(2) of section 115 of this title the end strength that is authorized under subsection (a)(1)(B) of that section for a fiscal year for active-duty personnel and full-time National Guard duty personnel of an armed force who are to be paid from funds appropriated for reserve personnel, the Secretary of Defense may increase for that fiscal year the limitation that is set forth in subsection (a) of this section for the number of enlisted members of that armed force serving in any grade if the Secretary determines that such action is in the national interest. The percent of the increase may not exceed the percent by which the Secretary increases that end strength.”

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 107-107 added subsec. (e).  
 2000—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title IV, §415(b)], amended table generally, increasing the fiscal year limitation on number of enlisted members in the Army in grade of E-9 from 645 to 764 and in grade of E-8 from 2,593 to 2,821, and in the Air Force in grade of E-9 from 405 to 502 and in grade of E-8 from 1,041 to 1,117.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title IV, §421(c)], added subsec. (c).  
 Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title IV, §424(b)], added subsec. (d).

1999—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 106-65 amended table generally, increasing the fiscal year limitation on number of enlisted members in the Army in grade of E-9 from 623 to 645 and in grade of E-8 from 2,585 to 2,593, and in the Air Force in grade of E-9 from 395 to 405 and in grade of E-8 from 997 to 1,041.

1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105-261, in table, in grade E-9 increased figure for Army from 603 to 623 and for Air Force from 366 to 395, and in grade E-8 increased figure for Air Force from 890 to 997.

1996—Pub. L. 104-106, §1501(b)(10), substituted “the National” for “National” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-106, §414(b), in table, in grade E-9, increased figure for Army from 569 to 603, for Air Force from 328 to 366, and for Marine Corps from 14 to 20, and in grade E-8, increased figure for Air Force from 840 to 890 and for Marine Corps from 74 to 94. All other figures remained unchanged.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2000 AMENDMENT

Amendment by section 1 [[div. A], title IV, §415(b)] of Pub. L. 106-398 effective Oct. 1, 2000, see section 1 [[div. A], title IV, §415(c)] of Pub. L. 106-398, set out as a note under section 12011 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 105-261 effective Oct. 1, 1998, see section 414(c) of Pub. L. 105-261, set out as a note under section 12011 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by section 1501(b)(10) of Pub. L. 104-106 effective as if included in the Reserve Officer Personnel Management Act, title XVI of Pub. L. 103-337, as enacted on Oct. 5, 1994, see section 1501(f)(3) of Pub. L. 104-106, set out as a note under section 113 of this title.

**CHAPTER 1203—ENLISTED MEMBERS**

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AMENDMENTS

2001—Pub. L. 107-107, div. A, title V, §517(f)(2), Dec. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 1096, added item 12108.

**§ 12101. Definition**

In this chapter, the term “enlistment” means original enlistment or reenlistment.

(Added Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title XVI, §1662(b)(1), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2988.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Chapter effective Dec. 1, 1994, except as otherwise provided, see section 1691 of Pub. L. 103-337, set out as a note under section 10001 of this title.

**§ 12102. Reserve components: qualifications**

(a) To become an enlisted member of a reserve component a person must be enlisted as a Reserve of an armed force and subscribe to the oath prescribed by section 502 of this title, or be transferred to that component according to law. In addition, to become an enlisted member of the Army National Guard of the United States or the Air National Guard of the United States, he must meet the requirements of section 12107 of this title.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by law, the Secretary concerned shall prescribe physical, mental, moral, professional, and age qualifications for the enlistment of persons as Reserves of the armed forces under his jurisdiction. However, no person may be enlisted as a Reserve unless—

(1) he is a citizen of the United States or has been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence under the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.); or

(2) he has previously served in the armed forces or in the National Security Training Corps.

(c) A person who is otherwise qualified, but who has a physical defect that the Secretary concerned determines will not interfere with the performance of the duties to which that person may be assigned, may be enlisted as a Reserve of any armed force under the jurisdiction of that Secretary.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 17, §510; Pub. L. 88-236, Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 474; Pub. L. 90-130, §1(2), Nov. 8, 1967, 81 Stat. 374; Pub. L. 90-623, §2(3), Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1314; Pub. L. 96-513, title V, §511(13), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2921; renumbered §12102 and amended Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title XVI, §§1631(a), 1662(b)(2), 1675(a), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2964, 2989, 3017; Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title XV, §1501(a)(5)(A), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 495.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
510(a) .....	50:952 (less proviso).	July 9, 1952, ch. 608, §217
510(b) .....	50:941(a) (as applicable to enlistments).	(less (c), as applicable to enlistments), 228
510(c) .....	50:941(b) (as applicable to enlistments).	(less proviso), 232 (as applicable to enlistments), 66 Stat. 486,
510(d) .....	50:956 (as applicable to enlistments).	488, 489.

In subsection (a), the last sentence is inserted to reflect sections 3261 and 8261 of this title.

In subsection (b), the word “However” is substituted for the words “Subject to the limitation that”. The words “as Reserves in the armed forces under his jurisdiction” are substituted for the words “of Reserve