

1997—Pub. L. 105-85 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section consisted of subsecs. (a) to (f) relating to dislocation allowances for members of the uniformed services.

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-201 substituted “two and one-half months” for “two months” in introductory provisions.

Pub. L. 104-106, §624(b)(1), in concluding provisions, substituted “paragraph (3) or (4)(B)” for “clause (3) or (4)(B)” and “paragraph (1) or (5)” for “clause (1)”.

Subsec. (a)(5). Pub. L. 104-106, §624(a), added par. (5).
Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104-106, §624(b)(2), substituted “paragraph (3) or (4)(B) of subsection (a)” for “subsection (a)(3) or (a)(4)(B)” and “paragraph (1) or (5) of subsection (a)” for “subsection (a)(1)”.

1991—Pub. L. 102-25 struck out “of this section” wherever appearing in subsecs. (a) to (c).

1987—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 100-180 added subsec. (f).

1986—Pub. L. 99-661 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows:

“(a) Except as provided by subsections (b) and (c) of this section, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary concerned, a member of a uniformed service—

“(1) whose dependents make an authorized move in connection with his change of permanent station;

“(2) whose dependents are covered by section 405a(a) of this title; or

“(3) without dependents, who is transferred to a permanent station where he is not assigned to quarters of the United States;

is entitled to a dislocation allowance equal to his basic allowance for quarters for two months as provided for a member of his pay grade and dependency status in section 403 of this title. For the purposes of this subsection, a member whose dependents may not make an authorized move in connection with a change of permanent station is considered a member without dependents. An allowance payable under this section may be paid in advance.

“(b) A member is not entitled to more than one dislocation allowance during a fiscal year unless—

“(1) the Secretary concerned finds that the exigencies of the service require the member to make more than one such change of station during that fiscal year;

“(2) the member is ordered to a service school as a change of permanent station; or

“(3) the member's dependents are covered by section 405a(a) of this title.

This subsection does not apply in time of national emergency declared after April 1, 1955, or in time of war.

“(c) A member is not entitled to payment of a dislocation allowance when ordered from his home to his first duty station or from his last duty station to his home.”

1985—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99-145 substituted “two months” for “one month” in first sentence.

1981—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97-60 inserted sentence in provision following cl. (3) authorizing the payment in advance of an allowance payable under this section.

1967—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 90-207 authorized a dislocation allowance for a member of a uniformed service without dependents who is transferred to a permanent station where he is not assigned to quarters of the United States and for dislocation allowance purposes deemed a member whose dependents may not make an authorized move in connection with a change of permanent station to be a member without dependents.

1966—Subsecs. (a), (b)(2). Pub. L. 89-718 substituted “change of permanent station” for “permanent change of station”.

1965—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 89-26, §1(3), authorized a dislocation allowance for a member of the uniformed service whose dependents are covered by section 405a(a) of this title.

Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 89-26, §1(4), added cl. (3).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2013 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title X, §1076(a), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1947, provided that the amendment made by

section 1076(a)(9) is effective Dec. 31, 2011, and as if included in Pub. L. 112-81 as enacted.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2001 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 107-107, div. A, title VI, §635(c), Dec. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 1145, provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall apply with respect to an order issued on or after January 1, 2002, in connection with a change of permanent station or for a member of the uniformed services to report to the member's first permanent duty station.”

Pub. L. 107-107, div. A, title VI, §636(b), Dec. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 1145, as amended by Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title VI, §631(f)(4)(B), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1465; Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title X, §1076(a)(9), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1948, provided that: “Subsection (f) [of section 477] of title 37, United States Code, as added by subsection (a)(2), shall apply with respect to an order to move for a member of a uniformed service that is issued on or after the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 28, 2001].”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title VI, §632(b), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1797, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on January 1, 1998.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title VI, §622(b), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2548, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on January 1, 1997.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1986 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 99-661, div. A, title VI, §619(b), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3882, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 14, 1986] and shall apply only to moves which commence on or after that date.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1985 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 99-145, title VI, §611(b), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 639, provided that: “The amendment made by this section [amending this section] shall apply to moves begun after September 30, 1985.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1967 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 90-207 effective Oct. 1, 1967, see section 7 of Pub. L. 90-207, set out as a note under section 203 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1965 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 89-26 effective Feb. 1, 1965, see section 2 of Pub. L. 89-26, as amended, set out as an Effective Date note under section 475a of this title.

§ 478. Travel and transportation allowances: travel within limits of duty station

(a) A member of a uniformed service may be directed, by regulations of the head of the department or agency in which he is serving, to procure transportation necessary for conducting official business of the United States within the limits of his station. Expenses so incurred by the member for train, bus, streetcar, taxicab, ferry, bridge, and similar fares and tolls, or for the use of privately owned vehicles at a fixed rate a mile plus parking fees, shall be defrayed by the department or agency under which he is serving, or the member is entitled to be reimbursed for the expense.

(b)(1) Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary concerned, a member of a uniformed serv-

ice who performs emergency duty described in paragraph (2) is entitled to travel and transportation allowances under section 474 of this title for that duty.

(2) The emergency duty referred to in paragraph (1) is duty that—

(A) is performed by a member under emergency circumstances that threaten injury to property of the Federal Government or human life;

(B) is performed at a location within the limits of the member's station (other than at the residence or normal duty location of the member);

(C) is performed pursuant to the direction of competent authority; and

(D) requires the member's use of overnight accommodations.

(c) No travel or transportation allowance, payment, or reimbursement may be provided under this section for travel that begins after the travel authorities transition expiration date.

(Pub. L. 87-649, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 475, § 408; Pub. L. 99-145, title VI, § 619(a), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 642; Pub. L. 100-26, § 8(d)(6), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 285; Pub. L. 102-190, div. A, title VI, § 623, Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1379; renumbered § 478 and amended Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title VI, § 631(d)(2), (e)(11), (f)(4)(A), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1460, 1462, 1465; Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title X, § 1076(a)(9), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1948.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
408	40:491(m).	June 30, 1949, ch. 288, § 211(m); added Sept. 1, 1954, ch. 1211, § 2 (13th par.), 68 Stat. 1126.

The words “(as defined in the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as amended)” and “so directed” are omitted as surplusage. The words “official business of the United States” are substituted for the words “official Government business”.

AMENDMENTS

2013—Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 112-239, § 1076(a)(9), made technical amendment to directory language of Pub. L. 112-81, § 631(f)(4)(A). See 2011 Amendment note below.

2011—Pub. L. 112-81, § 631(d)(2), renumbered section 408 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 112-81, § 631(f)(4)(A), as amended by Pub. L. 112-239, § 1076(a)(9), substituted “474” for “404”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 112-81, § 631(e)(11), added subsec. (c).

1991—Pub. L. 102-190 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

1987—Pub. L. 100-26 substituted “privately owned” for “privately-owned”.

1985—Pub. L. 99-145 inserted “plus parking fees” after “fixed rate a mile”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2013 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title X, § 1076(a), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1947, provided that the amendment made by section 1076(a)(9) is effective Dec. 31, 2011, and as if included in Pub. L. 112-81 as enacted.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1985 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 99-145, title VI, § 619(b), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 642, provided that: “The amendment made by sub-

section (a) [amending this section] shall apply with respect to parking fees incurred after September 30, 1985.”

§ 478a. Travel and transportation allowances: inactive duty training outside of normal commuting distances

(a) ALLOWANCE AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary concerned may reimburse an eligible member of the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve for travel expenses for travel to an inactive duty training location to perform inactive duty training when the member is required to commute a distance from the member's permanent residence to the inactive duty training location that is outside the normal commuting distance (as determined under the regulations prescribed under subsection (d)) for that commute.

(b) ELIGIBLE MEMBERS.—To be eligible for reimbursement under subsection (a), a member of the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve must be—

(1) qualified in a skill designated as critically short by the Secretary concerned;

(2) assigned to a unit of the Selected Reserve with a critical manpower shortage or in a pay grade in the member's reserve component with a critical manpower shortage; or

(3) assigned to a unit or position that is disestablished or relocated as a result of defense base closure or realignment or another force structure reallocation.

(c) MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT.—The amount of reimbursement provided a member under subsection (a) for each round trip to a training location may not exceed \$300.

(d) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary concerned shall prescribe regulations to carry out this section. Regulations prescribed by the Secretary of a military department shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of Defense.

(e) TERMINATION.—No reimbursement may be provided under this section for travel that occurs after December 31, 2014.

(Added Pub. L. 110-181, div. A, title VI, § 631(a)(1), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 153, § 408a; amended Pub. L. 111-383, div. A, title VI, § 621, Jan. 7, 2011, 124 Stat. 4238; renumbered § 478a and amended Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title VI, §§ 621, 631(d)(2), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1452, 1460; Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title VI, § 611(7), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1776; Pub. L. 113-66, div. A, title VI, § 611(7), title X, § 1091(b)(3), Dec. 26, 2013, 127 Stat. 780, 876.)

AMENDMENTS

2013—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 113-66, § 611(7), substituted “December 31, 2014” for “December 31, 2013”.

Pub. L. 112-239, § 611(7), as amended by Pub. L. 113-66, § 1091(b)(3), substituted “December 31, 2013” for “December 31, 2012”.

2011—Pub. L. 112-81, § 631(d)(2), renumbered section 408a of this title as this section.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 112-81, § 621, substituted “December 31, 2012” for “December 31, 2011”.

Pub. L. 111-383 substituted “December 31, 2011” for “December 31, 2010”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2013 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 113-66, div. A, title X, § 1091(b), Dec. 26, 2013, 127 Stat. 876, provided in part that the amendment