

1021; Pub. L. 94-432, title IV, §401, Sept. 30, 1976, 90 Stat. 1372; Pub. L. 94-433, title IV, §404(13)-(17), Sept. 30, 1976, 90 Stat. 1378, 1379; Pub. L. 95-204, title III, §301, Dec. 2, 1977, 91 Stat. 1459; renumbered §1122, Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406; Pub. L. 109-233, title V, §502(3), June 15, 2006, 120 Stat. 415.)

## AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 109-233 substituted “blind, or so nearly blind or significantly disabled as to” for “helpless or blind, or so nearly helpless or blind as to”.

1991—Pub. L. 102-83 renumbered section 322 of this title as this section.

1977—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 95-204 substituted “\$79” for “\$74”.

1976—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94-433, §404(13)-(16), substituted “Surviving spouse” for “Widow” in pars. (1) and (2); “surviving spouse” for “widow” in pars. (3), (4), and (5); “parent” for “mother or father” in par. (6); and “Both dependent parents” for “Dependent mother and father” in par. (7).

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 94-433, §404(17), substituted “surviving spouse” for “widow”.

Pub. L. 94-432 substituted “\$74” for “\$69”.

1975—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 94-169 substituted, effective for period beginning Jan. 1, 1976, and ending Sept. 30, 1976, “\$69” for “\$64”.

1974—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 93-295 substituted “\$64” for “\$55”.

1971—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 92-197 extended benefits to dependent parents under subsec. (a) of this section and increased the increase in benefits from \$50 to \$55.

1970—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 91-588 substituted “\$55” for “\$50”.

1969—Pub. L. 91-96 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1977 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 95-204, title III, §302, Dec. 2, 1977, 91 Stat. 1459, provided that: “The provisions of this Act [see Tables for classification] shall take effect January 1, 1978.”

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENTS

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-433 effective Oct. 1, 1976, see section 406 of Pub. L. 94-433, set out as a note under section 1101 of this title.

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-432 effective Jan. 1, 1977, see section 405(b) of Pub. L. 94-432, set out as a note under section 1521 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1975 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 94-169, title II, §202, Dec. 23, 1975, 89 Stat. 1021, as amended by section 101 of Pub. L. 94-432, eff. Sept. 30, 1976, provided that the amendment made by that section is effective Jan. 1, 1976.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1974 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 93-295 effective May 1, 1974, see section 401 of Pub. L. 93-295, set out as a note under section 1114 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1971 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 92-197 effective Jan. 1, 1972, see section 10 of Pub. L. 92-197, set out as a note under section 1311 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1970 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 91-588 effective Jan. 1, 1971, see section 10(a) of Pub. L. 91-588, set out as a note under section 1521 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1969 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 91-96 effective first day of second calendar month which begins after Oct. 27, 1969, see section 8 of Pub. L. 91-96, set out as a note under section 1302 of this title.

## SUBCHAPTER IV—PEACETIME DISABILITY COMPENSATION

## § 1131. Basic entitlement

For disability resulting from personal injury suffered or disease contracted in line of duty, or for aggravation of a preexisting injury suffered or disease contracted in line of duty, in the active military, naval, or air service, during other than a period of war, the United States will pay to any veteran thus disabled and who was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable from the period of service in which said injury or disease was incurred, or preexisting injury or disease was aggravated, compensation as provided in this subchapter, but no compensation shall be paid if the disability is a result of the veteran's own willful misconduct or abuse of alcohol or drugs.

(Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1122, §331; Pub. L. 101-508, title VIII, §8052(a)(3), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388-351; renumbered §1131, Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406; Pub. L. 105-178, title VIII, §8202(b), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 492; Pub. L. 105-206, title IX, §9014(a), July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 865.)

## AMENDMENTS

1998—Pub. L. 105-178, which directed the substitution of “, abuse of alcohol or drugs, or use of tobacco products” for “or abuse of alcohol or drugs” before the period at end, was amended generally by Pub. L. 105-206, which provided that the amendments made by that section as originally enacted shall be treated for all purposes as not having been made. See Effective Date of 1998 Amendment note below.

1991—Pub. L. 102-83 renumbered section 331 of this title as this section.

1990—Pub. L. 101-508 substituted “a result of the veteran's own willful misconduct or abuse of alcohol or drugs” for “the result of the veteran's own willful misconduct”.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Title IX of Pub. L. 105-206 effective simultaneously with enactment of Pub. L. 105-178 and to be treated as included in Pub. L. 105-178 at time of enactment, and provisions of Pub. L. 105-178, as in effect on day before July 22, 1998, that are amended by title IX of Pub. L. 105-206 to be treated as not enacted, see section 9016 of Pub. L. 105-206, set out as a note under section 101 of Title 23, Highways.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101-508 effective with respect to claims filed after Oct. 31, 1990, see section 8052(b) of Pub. L. 101-508, set out as a note under section 105 of this title.

## CONSTRUCTION OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105-206, title IX, §9014(a), July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 865, provided that section 8202 of Pub. L. 105-178 is amended generally and that the amendments made by that section as originally enacted shall be treated for all purposes as not having been made.

## § 1132. Presumption of sound condition

For the purposes of section 1131 of this title, every person employed in the active military, naval, or air service for six months or more shall be taken to have been in sound condition when examined, accepted and enrolled for service, except as to defects, infirmities, or disorders