

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of Public Health Service, see note under section 802 of this title.

§ 1444a. Regulations regarding payment of annuity to a representative payee

(a) The regulations prescribed pursuant to section 1444(a) of this title shall provide procedures for the payment of an annuity under this subchapter in the case of—

- (1) a person for whom a guardian or other fiduciary has been appointed; and
- (2) a minor, mentally incompetent, or otherwise legally disabled person for whom a guardian or other fiduciary has not been appointed.

(b) Those regulations may include the provisions set out in section 1455(d)(2) of this title.

(c) An annuity paid to a person on behalf of an annuitant in accordance with the regulations prescribed pursuant to subsection (a) discharges the obligation of the United States for payment to the annuitant of the amount of the annuity so paid.

(Added Pub. L. 102-190, div. A, title VI, §654(b)(1), Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1390; amended Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title X, §1073(a)(26), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1901.)

AMENDMENTS

1997—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-85 substituted “section 1455(d)(2)” for “section 1455(c)”.

§ 1445. Correction of administrative deficiencies

Whenever he considers it necessary, the Secretary concerned may, under regulations prescribed under section 1444(a) of this title, correct any election, or any change or revocation of an election, under this subchapter when he considers it necessary to correct an administrative error. Except when procured by fraud, a correction under this section is final and conclusive on all officers of the United States.

(Added Pub. L. 87-381, §6(1), Oct. 4, 1961, 75 Stat. 811; amended Pub. L. 92-425, §1(2)(A), Sept. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 706.)

AMENDMENTS

1972—Pub. L. 92-425 substituted “subchapter” for “chapter”.

§ 1446. Restriction on participation

(a) Notwithstanding section 1441 of this title, if a person—

- (1) has made an election under this subchapter; and
- (2) is retired for physical disability before he completes 19 years of service for which he is entitled to credit in the computation of his basic pay;

and thereafter dies, his beneficiaries are not entitled to the annuities provided under this subchapter until they give proof to the department concerned that they are not eligible for benefits under chapter 11 or 13 of title 38. If the beneficiaries are not eligible for benefits under chapter 11 or 13 of title 38, the annuity shall begin on the first day of the month in which the death occurs.

(b) Whenever the beneficiaries on whose behalf the election was made are restricted, under sub-

section (a), from participating in the annuities provided under this subchapter, the amount withheld from the elector’s retired or retainer pay as a result of an election under this subchapter shall be refunded to the beneficiaries, less the amount of any annuities paid under this subchapter, and in either case without interest.

(Added Pub. L. 87-381, §6(1), Oct. 4, 1961, 75 Stat. 811; amended Pub. L. 90-485, §1(8), Aug. 13, 1968, 82 Stat. 754; Pub. L. 92-425, §1(2)(A), Sept. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 706.)

AMENDMENTS

1972—Pub. L. 92-425 substituted “subchapter” for “chapter” wherever appearing.

1968—Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 90-485 substituted “19” for “18”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1968 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 90-485 effective on first day of third calendar month following Aug. 13, 1968, see section 6 of Pub. L. 90-485, set out as a note under section 1431 of this title.

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AMENDMENTS

1997—Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title VI, §641(a)(2), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1798, added item 1448a.

1996—Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title VI, §634, Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2551, amended analysis generally, reenacting items 1447 to 1452, 1454, and 1455 without change and substituting “Recovery of amounts” for “Recovery of annuity” in item 1453.

1989—Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title XIV, §1407(a)(10)(B), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1589, substituted “errors” for “deficiencies” in item 1454.

1985—Pub. L. 99-145, title VII, §719(8)(B), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 676, struck out “or retainer” after “retired” in item 1452.

1972—Pub. L. 92-424, §1(3), Sept. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 706, added subchapter II heading and items 1447 to 1455.

§ 1447. Definitions

In this subchapter:

(1) **PLAN.**—The term “Plan” means the Survivor Benefit Plan established by this subchapter.

(2) **STANDARD ANNUITY.**—The term “standard annuity” means an annuity provided by virtue of eligibility under section 1448(a)(1)(A) of this title.

(3) **RESERVE-COMPONENT ANNUITY.**—The term “reserve-component annuity” means an annuity provided by virtue of eligibility under section 1448(a)(1)(B) of this title.

(4) **RETIRED PAY.**—The term “retired pay” includes retainer pay paid under section 6330 of this title.

(5) **RESERVE-COMPONENT RETIRED PAY.**—The term “reserve-component retired pay” means