

Subsec. (d)(7). Pub. L. 96-533 increased to \$20,000 from \$5,000 fiscal year expenditures limitation.

1966—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 89-572, §3(a), substituted “2506(a)(2)” for “2506(c)(2)”.

Subsec. (d)(4). Pub. L. 89-572, §3(b), substituted “2506(c)” for “2506(e)”.

1965—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 89-134 struck out provision that training not be considered employment or holding of office under section 2 of the Act of July 31, 1894, as amended (5 U.S.C. 62).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-465 effective Feb. 15, 1981, except as otherwise provided, see section 2403 of Pub. L. 96-465, set out as an Effective Date note under section 3901 of this title.

§ 2514a. Authorization for Peace Corps to provide separation pay for host country resident personal services contractors of the Peace Corps

(a) Establishment of fund

There is established in the Treasury of the United States a fund for the Peace Corps to provide separation pay for host country resident personal services contractors of the Peace Corps.

(b) Funding

The Director of the Peace Corps may deposit in the fund established under subsection (a)—

- (1) amounts previously obligated and not canceled to provide the separation pay described in such subsection; and
- (2) amounts obligated for fiscal years after fiscal year 2006 for current and future costs of providing such separation pay.

(c) Availability

Beginning in fiscal year 2007, amounts deposited in the fund established under subsection (a) shall be available without fiscal year limitation for severance, retirement, or other separation payments to host country resident personal services contractors of the Peace Corps in countries where such payments are legally authorized.

(Pub. L. 110-86, §1, Sept. 27, 2007, 121 Stat. 979.)

CODIFICATION

Section was not enacted as part of the Peace Corps Act which comprises this chapter.

§ 2515. Foreign Currency Fluctuations Account

(a) Establishment

(1) There is established in the Treasury of the United States an account to be known as the “Foreign Currency Fluctuations, Peace Corps, Account”. The account shall be used for the purpose of providing funds to pay expenses for operations of the Peace Corps outside the United States which, as a result of fluctuations in currency exchange rates, exceed the amount appropriated for such expenses.

(2) Funds in the account may be transferred, upon the certification of the Director of the Peace Corps (or the Director’s designee) that the transfer is necessary for the purpose specified in paragraph (1), to the account containing funds appropriated for the expenses of the Peace Corps.

(b) Use of funds in account

Funds transferred under subsection (a) shall be merged with, and be available for the same

time period, as the appropriation to which they are applied. Notwithstanding any provision of law limiting the amount of funds the Peace Corps may obligate in any fiscal year, such amount shall be increased to the extent necessary to reflect fluctuations in exchange rates from those used in preparing the budget submission.

(c) Exchange rates applicable to obligations

An obligation of the Peace Corps payable in the currency of a foreign country may be recorded as an obligation based upon exchange rates used in preparing a budget submission. A change reflecting fluctuations in exchange rates may be recorded as a disbursement is made.

(d) Transfers back to account

Funds transferred from the Foreign Currency Fluctuations, Peace Corps, Account may be transferred back to that account—

- (1) if the funds are not needed to pay obligations incurred because of fluctuations in currency exchange rates of foreign countries in the appropriation to which the funds were originally transferred; or
- (2) because of subsequent favorable fluctuations in the rates or because other funds are, or become, available to pay such obligations.

(e) Limitation on transfers back

A transfer of funds back to the account under subsection (d) may not be made after the end of the fiscal year or other period for which the appropriation, to which the funds were originally transferred, is available for obligation.

(f) Transfers to account from regular appropriations

(1) At the end of the fiscal year or other period for which appropriations for the expenses of the Peace Corps are made available, unobligated balances of such appropriation may be transferred into the Foreign Currency Fluctuations, Peace Corps, Account, to be merged with, and to be available for the same period and purposes as, that account.

(2) The authority of this subsection shall be exercised only to the extent that specific amounts are provided in advance in an appropriation Act.

(g) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Foreign Currency Fluctuations, Peace Corps, Account for each fiscal year such sums as may be necessary to maintain a balance of \$5,000,000 in such account at the beginning of such fiscal year.

(h) Reports

Each year the Director of the Peace Corps shall submit to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, a report on funds transferred under this section.

(Pub. L. 87-293, title I, §16, as added Pub. L. 102-565, §2(a), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 4265.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2515, Pub. L. 87-293, title I, §16, Sept. 22, 1961, 75 Stat. 622, related to appointment of persons

servicing under prior law, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 89-572, § 5(a), Sept. 13, 1966, 80 Stat. 765.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 102-565, § 2(b), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 4266, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [enacting this section] applies with respect to each fiscal year after fiscal year 1992.”

REPEALS; AMENDMENTS AND APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS UNAFFECTED; CONTINUATION OF DETERMINATIONS, AUTHORIZATION, REGULATIONS, ORDERS, CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, AND OTHER ACTIONS

Pub. L. 89-572, § 5, Sept. 13, 1966, 80 Stat. 765, provided that:

“(a) Section 16 of the Peace Corps Act, as amended [former section 2515 of this title], which relates to appointment of persons serving under prior law, section 20 of the Peace Corps Act, as amended, which relates to moratorium on student loans [amending section 425 of Title 20, Education], section 21 of the Peace Corps Act, as amended, which amends the Civil Service Retirement Act [section 8301 et seq. of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees], and title II of the Act, which relates to Internal Revenue Code and Social Security Act amendments [amending sections 912, 1303, 3121, 3122, 3401 and 6051 of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code, and sections 405, 409 and 410 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, and notes under sections 912 and 3121 of Title 26] are hereby repealed.

“(b) Such repeal shall not be deemed to affect amendments contained in such provisions and the application of the amendments contained in the title. All determinations, authorizations, regulations, orders, contracts, agreements, and other actions issued, undertaken, or entered into under authority of the provisions of law repealed by subsection (a) shall continue in full force and effect until modified by appropriate authority.”

§ 2516. Use of foreign currencies

Whenever possible, expenditures incurred in carrying out functions under this chapter shall be paid for in such currency of the country or area where the expense is incurred as may be available to the United States.

(Pub. L. 87-293, title I, § 17, Sept. 22, 1961, 75 Stat. 623.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 87-293, Sept. 22, 1961, 75 Stat. 612, as amended, known as the Peace Corps Act. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2501 of this title and Tables.

§ 2517. Activities promoting Americans’ understanding of other peoples

In order to further the goal of the Peace Corps, as set forth in section 2501 of this title, relating to the promotion of a better understanding of other peoples on the part of the American people, the Director, utilizing the authorities under section 2509(a)(1) of this title and other provisions of law, shall, as appropriate, encourage, facilitate, and assist activities carried out by former volunteers in furtherance of such goal and the efforts of agencies, organizations, and other individuals to support or assist in former volunteers’ carrying out such activities.

(Pub. L. 87-293, title I, § 18, as added Pub. L. 100-202, § 101(e) [title II, § 201], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-131, 1329-145.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2517, Pub. L. 87-293, title I, § 18, Sept. 22, 1961, 75 Stat. 623, provided that Mutual Defense Assistance Control Act of 1951 (22 U.S.C. 1611 et seq.) applied, subject to an exception, to functions carried out under this chapter, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97-113, title VI, § 605(b), Dec. 29, 1981, 95 Stat. 1543. The 1951 Act was superseded by the Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. 4601 et seq.).

PAUL D. COVERDELL WORLD WISE SCHOOLS PROGRAM

Pub. L. 106-570, title VI, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 3051, as amended by Pub. L. 107-21, § 2, July 26, 2001, 115 Stat. 194, provided that:

“SEC. 601. SHORT TITLE.

“This title may be cited as the ‘Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools Act of 2000’.

“SEC. 602. FINDINGS.

“Congress makes the following findings:

“(1) Paul D. Coverdell was elected to the Georgia State Senate in 1970 and later became Minority Leader of the Georgia State Senate, a post he held for 15 years.

“(2) As the 11th Director of the Peace Corps from 1989 to 1991, Paul Coverdell’s dedication to the ideals of peace and understanding helped to shape today’s Peace Corps.

“(3) Paul D. Coverdell believed that Peace Corps volunteers could not only make a difference in the countries where they served but that the greatest benefit could be felt at home.

“(4) In 1989, Paul D. Coverdell founded the Peace Corps World Wise Schools Program to help fulfill the Third Goal of the Peace Corps, ‘to promote a better understanding of the people served among people of the United States’.

“(5) The World Wise Schools Program is an innovative education program that seeks to engage learners in an inquiry about the world, themselves, and others in order to broaden perspectives; promote cultural awareness; appreciate global connections; and encourage service.

“(6) In a world that is increasingly interdependent and ever changing, the World Wise Schools Program pays tribute to Paul D. Coverdell’s foresight and leadership. In the words of one World Wise Schools teacher, ‘It’s a teacher’s job to touch the future of a child; it’s the Peace Corps’ job to touch the future of the world. What more perfect partnership.’

“(7) Paul D. Coverdell served in the United States Senate from the State of Georgia from 1993 until his sudden death on July 18, 2000.

“(8) Senator Paul D. Coverdell was beloved by his colleagues for his civility, bipartisan efforts, and his dedication to public service.

“SEC. 603. DESIGNATION OF PAUL D. COVERDELL WORLD WISE SCHOOLS PROGRAM.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Effective on the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 27, 2000], the program under section 18 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2517) referred to before such date as the ‘World Wise Schools Program’ is redesignated as the ‘Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools Program’.

“(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference before the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 27, 2000] in any law, regulation, order, document, record, or other paper of the United States to the Peace Corps World Wise Schools Program shall, on and after such date, be considered to refer to the Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools Program.

“(c) NEW REFERENCES IN PEACE CORPS DOCUMENTS.—The Director of the Peace Corps shall ensure that any reference in any public document, record, or other paper of the Peace Corps, including any promotional material, produced on or after the date of enactment of this subsection [July 26, 2001], to the program described in subsection (a) be a reference to the ‘Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools Program’.”