wish to become volunteers as the Director determines will further the purposes of this chapter.

## (f) Government assistance; eligibility; special limitations

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law except as may be provided expressly in limitation of this subsection, payments to volunteers under this chapter shall not in any way reduce or eliminate the level of or eligibility for assistance or services any such volunteers may be receiving under any governmental program, except that this paragraph shall not apply in the case of such payments when the Director determines that the value of all such payments, adjusted to reflect the number of hours such volunteers are serving, is equivalent to or greater than the minimum wage then in effect under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 201 et seq.) or the minimum wage, under the laws of the State where such volunteers are serving, whichever is the greater.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person enrolled for full-time service as a volunteer under subchapter I of this chapter who was otherwise entitled to receive assistance or services under any governmental program prior to such volunteer's enrollment shall not be denied such assistance or services because of such volunteer's failure or refusal to register for, seek, or accept employment or training during the period of such service.

(Pub. L. 93-113, title IV, §404, Oct. 1, 1973, 87 Stat. 408; Pub. L. 96-143, §9, Dec. 13, 1979, 93 Stat. 1077; Pub. L. 98-288, §19, May 21, 1984, 98 Stat. 195; Pub. L. 99-551, §10(i)(7), Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3078; Pub. L. 103-82, title III, §364, Sept. 21, 1993, 107 Stat. 908; Pub. L. 111-13, title II, §2151, Apr. 21, 2009, 123 Stat. 1591.)

#### References in Text

This chapter, referred to in subsecs. (a), (b), (e), and (f), was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 93-113, Oct. 1, 1973, 87 Stat. 394, known as the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4950 of this title and Tables.

The National and Community Service Act of 1990, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 101-610, Nov. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 3127, which is classified principally to chapter 129 (§ 12501 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 12501 of this title and Tables.

The Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, referred to in subsec. (f)(1), is act June 25, 1938, ch. 676, 52 Stat. 1060, which is classified generally to chapter 8 (\$201 et seq.) of Title 29, Labor. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 201 of Title 29 and Tables.

#### AMENDMENTS

2009—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 111-13 inserted "or other volunteers (not including participants under this chapter and the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.))," after "employed workers" in two places.

1993—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 103-82, §364(1), inserted "from such volunteers or from beneficiaries" after "compensation".

Subsecs. (f), (g). Pub. L. 103-82, §364(2), (3), redesignated subsec. (g) as (f) and struck out former subsec. (f) which read as follows: "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Director shall assign or delegate any substantial responsibility for carrying out programs

under this chapter only to persons appointed or employed pursuant to clauses (1) and (2) of section 5042 of this title, and persons assigned or delegated such substantial responsibilities on October 1, 1973, and who are receiving compensation in accordance with provisions of law other than the applicable provisions of title 5 on such date shall, by operation of law on such date, be assigned a grade level pursuant to such latter provisions so as to fix the compensation of such persons under such authority at no less than their compensation rate on the day preceding such date."

1986—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 99-551 substituted "the Director" for "he" before "determines will".

1984—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 98-288 struck out "and except as provided in the second sentence of this subsection" after "Notwithstanding any other provision of law" and struck out "The Director may personally make exceptions to the requirements set forth in the first sentence of this subsection for persons he finds will be assigned to carrying out functions under the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.) within six months after October 1, 1973."

1979—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 96–143 designated existing provisions as par. (1), inserted ", except that this paragraph shall not apply in the case of such payments when the Director determines that the value of all such payments, adjusted to reflect the number of hours such volunteers are serving, is equivalent to or greater than the minimum wage then in effect under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 or the minimum wage, under the laws of the State where such volunteers are serving, whichever is the greater" after "governmental program", and added par. (2).

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2009 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 111-13 effective Oct. 1, 2009, see section 6101(a) of Pub. L. 111-13, set out as a note under section 4950 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1993 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-82 effective Oct. 1, 1993, see section 392 of Pub. L. 103-82, set out as a note under section 4951 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1986 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 99-551 effective Oct. 1, 1986, except as otherwise provided, see section 11 of Pub. L. 99-551, set out as an Effective Date note under section 4950 of this title.

## § 5045. Repealed. Pub. L. 98–288, § 20(a), May 21, 1984, 98 Stat. 195

Section, Pub. L. 93-113, title IV, §405, Oct. 1, 1973, 87 Stat. 409; Pub. L. 94-293, §5(a), May 27, 1976, 90 Stat. 526; Pub. L. 96-470, title I, §113, Oct. 19, 1980, 94 Stat. 2240; Pub. L. 96-533, title VI, §602(b), Dec. 16, 1980, 94 Stat. 3156, provided for a National Voluntary Service Advisory Council.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Pub. L. 98-288, 20(a), May 21, 1984, 98 Stat. 195, provided that the repeal of this section is effective Jan. 1, 1986.

# §5046. Labor standards for federally assisted projects, buildings, and works

All laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors in the construction, alteration or repair, including painting and decorating of projects, buildings and works which are federally assisted under this chapter shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar construction in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with sections 3141–3144, 3146, and 3147 of title 40. The Secretary of Labor shall have,