

1996—Pub. L. 104–106, div. A, title V, § 545(b), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 318, added item 2111a.

1991—Pub. L. 102–190, div. A, title V, § 522(b)(2), Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1362, substituted “Army Reserve and Army National Guard” for “military junior colleges” in item 2107a.

1988—Pub. L. 100–456, div. A, title VI, § 633(a)(3)(B), Sept. 29, 1988, 102 Stat. 1986, substituted “Practical military training” for “Field training; practice cruises” in item 2109.

1980—Pub. L. 96–357, § 1(c)(2), Sept. 24, 1980, 94 Stat. 1180, added item 2107a.

1964—Pub. L. 88–647, title II, § 201(1), Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1064, added chapter heading and items 2101 to 2111.

§ 2101. Definitions

In this chapter:

(1) The term “program” means the Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps of an armed force.

(2) The term “member of the program” means a student who is enrolled in the Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps of an armed force.

(3) The term “advanced training” means the training and instruction offered in the Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps to students enrolled in an advanced education program beyond the baccalaureate degree level or to students in the third and fourth years of a four-year Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps course, or the equivalent period of training in an approved two-year Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps course (except that, in the case of a student enrolled in an academic program which has been approved by the Secretary of the military department concerned and which requires more than four academic years for completion of baccalaureate degree requirements, including elective requirements of the Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps course, such term includes a fifth academic year or a combination of a part of a fifth academic year and summer sessions).

(Added Pub. L. 88–647, title II, § 201(1), Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1064; amended Pub. L. 98–94, title X, § 1003(a)(1), title XII, § 1268(11), Sept. 24, 1983, 97 Stat. 656, 706; Pub. L. 100–180, div. A, title XII, § 1231(17), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1161; Pub. L. 104–201, div. A, title V, § 553(b), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2526.)

AMENDMENTS

1996—Par. (3). Pub. L. 104–201 inserted “students enrolled in an advanced education program beyond the baccalaureate degree level or to” after “Training Corps to”.

1987—Pub. L. 100–180, in pars. (1) to (3), inserted “The term” after each par. designation, and struck out uppercase letter of first word after first quotation marks in each par. and substituted lowercase letter.

1983—Pub. L. 98–94, § 1268(11)(A), substituted a colon for a dash after “In this chapter” in provision preceding par. (1).

Par. (1). Pub. L. 98–94, § 1268(11)(B), (C), substituted “Program” for “program” and a period for a semicolon after “armed force”.

Par. (2). Pub. L. 98–94, § 1268(11)(D), (E), substituted “Member” for “member”, and a period for “; and” after “armed force”.

Par. (3). Pub. L. 98–94, § 1268(11)(F), substituted “Advanced” for “advanced”.

Pub. L. 98–94, § 1003(a)(1), inserted parenthetical provision relating to a fifth academic year or a combination of a fifth academic year and summer sessions.

SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE TRAINING FOR ADMINISTRATORS AND INSTRUCTORS OF SENIOR RESERVE OFFICERS’ TRAINING CORPS

Pub. L. 114–92, div. A, title V, § 540, Nov. 25, 2015, 129 Stat. 818, provided that: “The Secretary of a military department shall ensure that the commander of each unit of the Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps and all Professors of Military Science, senior military instructors, and civilian employees detailed, assigned, or employed as administrators and instructors of the Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps receive regular sexual assault prevention and response training and education.”

PROMOTION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE SKILLS AMONG MEMBERS OF THE RESERVE OFFICERS’ TRAINING CORPS

Pub. L. 109–163, div. A, title V, § 535, Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3249, as amended by Pub. L. 111–383, div. A, title X, § 1075(h)(2), Jan. 7, 2011, 124 Stat. 4377, provided that:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall support the acquisition of foreign language skills among cadets and midshipmen in the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps, including through the development and implementation of—

“(1) incentives for cadets and midshipmen to participate in study of a foreign language, including special emphasis for Arabic, Chinese, and other ‘strategic languages’, as defined by the Secretary of Defense in consultation with other relevant agencies; and

“(2) a recruiting strategy to target foreign language speakers, including members of heritage communities, to participate in the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps.

“(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Jan. 6, 2006], the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report on the actions taken to carry out this section.”

§ 2102. Establishment

(a) For the purpose of preparing selected students for commissioned service in the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps, the Secretary of each military department, under regulations prescribed by the President, may establish and maintain a Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps program, organized into one or more units, at any accredited civilian educational institution authorized to grant baccalaureate degrees, and at any school essentially military that does not confer baccalaureate degrees, upon the request of the authorities at that institution.

(b) No unit may be established or maintained at an institution unless—

(1) the senior commissioned officer of the armed force concerned who is assigned to the program at that institution is given the academic rank of professor;

(2) the institution fulfills the terms of its agreement with the Secretary of the military department concerned; and

(3) the institution adopts, as a part of its curriculum, a four-year course of military instruction or a two-year course of advanced training of military instruction, or both, which the Secretary of the military department concerned prescribes and conducts.

(c) At those institutions where a unit of the program is established membership of students

in the program shall be elective or compulsory as provided by State law or the authorities of the institution concerned.

(d) The President shall cause to be established and maintained in each State at least one unit of the program if—

(1) a unit is requested by an educational institution in the State;

(2) such request is approved by the Governor of the State in which the institution requesting the unit is located; and

(3) the Secretary of the military department concerned determines that there will be not less than 40 students enrolled in such unit and that the provisions of this section are otherwise satisfied.

(Added Pub. L. 88-647, title II, §201(1), Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1065; amended Pub. L. 95-79, title VI, §602, July 30, 1977, 91 Stat. 332.)

AMENDMENTS

1977—Subsec. (d), Pub. L. 95-79 added subsec. (d).

DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of President under subsec. (a) of this section delegated to Secretary of Defense, see section 1(10) of Ex. Ord. No. 11390, Jan. 22, 1968, 33 F.R. 841, set out as a note under section 301 of Title 3, The President.

MILITARY TRAINING FOR FEMALE UNDERGRADUATES AT MILITARY COLLEGES; REGULATIONS

Pub. L. 95-485, title VIII, §809, Oct. 20, 1978, 92 Stat. 1623, directed the Secretary of Defense to require that any college or university designated as a military college provide that qualified female undergraduate students be eligible to participate in military training at such college or university, and prohibited the Secretary from requiring such college or university to require female undergraduate students enrolled in such college or university to participate in military training, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 98-525, title XIV, §§1403(b), 1404, Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2621, eff. Oct. 1, 1985. See section 2009 of this title.

§ 2103. Eligibility for membership

(a) To be eligible for membership in the program a person must be a student at an institution where a unit of the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps is established. However, a student at an institution that does not have a unit of the Corps is eligible, if otherwise qualified, to be a member of a unit at another institution.

(b) Persons from foreign countries may be enrolled as members of the program when their enrollment is approved by the Secretary of the military department concerned under criteria approved by the Secretary of State.

(c) A medical, dental, pharmacy, veterinary, or sciences allied to medicine, student may be admitted to a unit of the program for a course of training consisting of 90 hours of instruction a year for four academic years.

(d) Under such conditions as the Secretary of the military department concerned may prescribe, a medical, dental, pharmacy, veterinary, or sciences allied to medicine, student who is a commissioned officer of a reserve component of an armed force may be admitted to and trained in a unit of the program.

(e) An educational institution at which a unit of the program has been established shall give priority for enrollment in the program to stu-

dents who are eligible for advanced training under section 2104 of this title.

(Added Pub. L. 88-647, title II, §201(1), Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1065; amended Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title V, §551(a)(1), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2525.)

AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (e), Pub. L. 104-201 added subsec. (e).

§ 2103a. Students not eligible for advanced training: commitment to military service

(a) **AUTHORITY.**—A member of the program who has completed successfully the first year of a four-year Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps course and who is not eligible for advanced training under section 2104 of this title and is not a cadet or midshipman appointed under section 2107 of this title may—

(1) contract with the Secretary of the military department concerned, or the Secretary's designated representative, to serve for the period required by the program; and

(2) agree in writing to accept an appointment, if offered, as a commissioned officer in the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps, as the case may be, and to serve in the armed forces for the period prescribed by the Secretary.

(b) **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.**—A member of the program may enter into a contract and agreement under this section (and receive a subsistence allowance under section 209(c) of title 37) only if the person—

(1) is a citizen of the United States;

(2) enlists in an armed force under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the military department concerned for the period prescribed by the Secretary; and

(3) executes a certificate of loyalty in such form as the Secretary of Defense prescribes or take a loyalty oath as prescribed by the Secretary.

(c) **PARENTAL CONSENT FOR MINORS.**—A member of the program who is a minor may enter into a contract under subsection (a)(1) only with the consent of the member's parent or guardian.

(Added Pub. L. 108-136, div. A, title V, §523(b)(1), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1464; amended Pub. L. 108-375, div. A, title V, §525, Oct. 28, 2004, 118 Stat. 1889; Pub. L. 109-364, div. A, title X, §1071(a)(10), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2398.)

AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (b), Pub. L. 109-364 substituted "Eligibility" for "Eligibility" in heading.

2004—Subsec. (d), Pub. L. 108-375 struck out heading and text of subsec. (d). Text read as follows: "No contract may be entered into under subsection (a)(1) after December 31, 2006."

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 108-136, div. A, title V, §523(c), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1464, provided that: "The amendments made by subsections (a) and (b) [enacting this section and amending section 209 of Title 37, Pay and Allowances of the Uniformed Services] shall take effect on January 1, 2004."

§ 2104. Advanced training; eligibility for

(a) Advanced training shall be provided to eligible members of the program and, if the insti-