cifically to assist members of the armed forces stationed overseas who are preparing for discharge or release from active duty, and the dependents of such members, in readjusting to civilian life. The program shall focus on the special needs and requirements of such members and dependents due to their overseas locations and shall include, to the maximum extent possible, computerized job relocation assistance and job search information.

(Added Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title V, §502(a)(1), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1556; amended Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title V, §542(a)(7), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2768; Pub. L. 107-296, title XVII, §1704(b)(1), Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2314.)

# AMENDMENTS

2002—Pub. L. 107-296 substituted "of Homeland Security" for "of Transportation".

 $1994\mathrm{--Pub.\ L.\ }103\mathrm{--}337$  inserted "and the Secretary of Transportation" after "Secretary of Defense".

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2002 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 107-296 effective on the date of transfer of the Coast Guard to the Department of Homeland Security, see section 1704(g) of Pub. L. 107-296, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-337 applicable only to members of the Coast Guard who are separated after Sept. 30, 1994, see section 542(e) of Pub. L. 103-337, set out as a note under section 1141 of this title.

#### PILOT PROGRAM

Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title V, §502(d), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1558, required the Secretary of Defense to carry out the program required by this section during fiscal year 1991 at not less than 10 military installations located outside the United States.

## §1149. Excess leave and permissive temporary dutv

Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of Homeland Security with respect to the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a service in the Navy, the Secretary concerned shall grant a member of the armed forces who is to be involuntarily separated such excess leave (for a period not in excess of 30 days), or such permissive temporary duty (for a period not in excess of 10 days), as the member requires in order to facilitate the member's carrying out necessary relocation activities (such as job search and residence search activities), unless to do so would interfere with military missions.

(Added Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title V, §502(a)(1), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1557; amended Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title V, §542(a)(8), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2768; Pub. L. 107-296, title XVII, §1704(b)(1), Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2314; Pub. L. 112–239, div. A, title X, §1076(f)(17), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1952.)

# AMENDMENTS

2013—Pub. L. 112-239 inserted "when it is not operating as a service in the Navy" after "Coast Guard". 2002—Pub. L. 107–296 substituted "of Homeland Secu-

rity" for "of Transportation".

1994—Pub. L. 103-337 inserted "or the Secretary of Transportation with respect to the Coast Guard" after

"Secretary of Defense" and struck out "of the military department" before "concerned".

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2002 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 107-296 effective on the date of transfer of the Coast Guard to the Department of Homeland Security, see section 1704(g) of Pub. L. 107-296, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-337 applicable only to members of the Coast Guard who are separated after Sept. 30, 1994, see section 542(e) of Pub. L. 103-337, set out as a note under section 1141 of this title.

# § 1150. Affiliation with Guard and Reserve units: waiver of certain limitations

(a) Preference for Certain Persons.—A person who is separated from the armed forces during the period beginning on October 1, 1990, and ending on December 31, 2001, and who applies to become a member of a National Guard or Reserve unit within one year after the date of such separation shall be given preference over other equally qualified applicants for existing or projected vacancies within the unit to which the member applies.

(b) LIMITED WAIVER OF STRENGTH LIMITA-TIONS.—Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, a person covered by subsection (a) who enters a National Guard or Reserve unit pursuant to an application described in such subsection may be retained in that unit for up to three years without regard to reservecomponent strength limitations so long as the individual maintains good standing in that unit.

(c) COAST GUARD.—This section shall apply to the Coast Guard in the same manner and to the same extent as it applies to the Department of Defense. The Secretary of Homeland Security shall prescribe regulations to implement this section for the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a service in the Navy.

(Added Pub. L. 101–510, div. A, title V, §502(a)(1), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1557; amended Pub. L. 102-484, div. A, title V, §514, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2406; Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title V, §561(j), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1668; Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title V, §542(a)(9), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2768; Pub. L. 105-261, div. A, title V, §561(p), Oct. 17, 1998, 112 Stat. 2027; Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title V, §571(o)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-135; Pub. L. 107-296, title XVII, §1704(b)(1), Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2314; Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title X, §1076(f)(18), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1952.)

## AMENDMENTS

2013—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 112-239 inserted "when it is not operating as a service in the Navy" after "for the

2002—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 107–296 substituted "of Homeland Security" for "of Transportation".

2000—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 106-398 substituted "December 31, 2001" for "September 30, 2001"

1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105-261 substituted "during the period beginning on October 1, 1990, and ending on September 30, 2001" for "during the nine-year period beginning on October 1, 1990"

1994—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 103-337 added subsec. (c).

1993—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103-160 substituted "nineyear period" for "five-year period"

1992—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-484 struck out "involuntarily" after "who is".