

of Defense, or the Inspector General of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in the case of a complaint regarding the National Aeronautics and Space Administration” for “an agency”, and added par. (2).

Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 110-181, § 846(c)(1), in introductory provisions, substituted “Not later than 30 days after receiving an Inspector General report pursuant to subsection (b), the head of the agency concerned shall determine whether there is sufficient basis to conclude that the contractor concerned has subjected the complainant to a reprisal prohibited by subsection (a) and shall either issue an order denying relief or shall” for “If the head of the agency determines that a contractor has subjected a person to a reprisal prohibited by subsection (a), the head of the agency may”.

Subsec. (c)(2) to (5). Pub. L. 110-181, § 846(c)(2), (3), added pars. (2) and (3) and redesignated former pars. (2) and (3) as (4) and (5), respectively.

Subsec. (e)(4). Pub. L. 110-181, § 846(d)(1), inserted “or a grant” after “a contract”.

Subsec. (e)(5). Pub. L. 110-181, § 846(d)(2), inserted “and any Inspector General that receives funding from, or has oversight over contracts awarded for or on behalf of, the Secretary of Defense” before period at end.

1996—Pub. L. 104-106 made technical correction to Pub. L. 103-355, § 6005(a). See 1994 Amendment note below.

1994—Pub. L. 103-355, § 6005(a), as amended by Pub. L. 104-106, amended section generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (a) related to prohibition of reprisals, subsec. (b) to investigation of complaints, subsec. (c) to construction of section, and subsec. (d) to coordination of section with former section 2409a of this title.

1992—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 102-484 amended subsec. (d) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (d) read as follows: “EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall not be in effect during the period when section 2409a of this title is in effect.”

1991—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 102-25 added subsec. (d).

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2013 AMENDMENT

For effective date and applicability of amendments by Pub. L. 112-239, see section 827(i) of Pub. L. 112-239, set out as a note under section 2324 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 104-106, div. D, title XLIII, § 4321(a), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 671, provided that the amendment made by that section is effective as of Oct. 13, 1994, and as if included in Pub. L. 103-355 as enacted.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

For effective date and applicability of amendment by Pub. L. 103-355, see section 10001 of Pub. L. 103-355, set out as a note under section 2302 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1992 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 102-484, div. A, title X, § 1052(30)(B), Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2501, provided that: “The amendment made by subparagraph (A) [amending this section] shall take effect as if enacted immediately following the enactment of Public Law 102-25 (105 Stat. 75).”

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 99-500, § 101(c) [title X, § 942(b)], Oct. 18, 1986, 100 Stat. 1783-82, 1783-162, Pub. L. 99-591, § 101(c) [title X, § 942(b)], Oct. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 3341-82, 3341-162, and Pub. L. 99-661, div. A, title IX, formerly title IV, § 942(b), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3942, renumbered title IX, Pub. L. 100-26, § 3(5), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 273, provided that: “Section 2409 of title 10, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)(1)), shall apply with respect to any reprisal action taken on or after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 18, 1986].”

#### INFORMATION FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES ON THEIR WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS

Pub. L. 110-417, [div. A], title VIII, § 842, Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4539, provided that:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that contractors of the Department of Defense inform their employees in writing of employee whistleblower rights and protections under section 2409 of title 10, United States Code, as implemented by subpart 3.9 of part I of title 48, Code of Federal Regulations.

“(b) CONTRACTOR DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘contractor’ has the meaning given that term in section 2409(e)(4) of title 10, United States Code.”

#### § 2409a. Repealed. Pub. L. 103-355, title VI, § 6005(b)(1), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3365]

Section, added Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title VIII, § 837(a)(1), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1616; amended Pub. L. 102-25, title VII, § 701(j)(4), (k)(2), Apr. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 116, 117, required promulgation of regulations prohibiting defense contractor from discharging or discriminating against employee for disclosing to Government official information concerning contract between contractor and Department of Defense evidencing violation of Federal law or regulation and providing certain complaint and investigation provisions and provided procedures for review and enforcement.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

For effective date and applicability of repeal, see section 10001 of Pub. L. 103-355, set out as an Effective Date of 1994 Amendment note under section 2302 of this title.

#### § 2410. Requests for equitable adjustment or other relief: certification

(a) CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—A request for equitable adjustment to contract terms or request for relief under Public Law 85-804 (50 U.S.C. 1431 et seq.) that exceeds the simplified acquisition threshold may not be paid unless a person authorized to certify the request on behalf of the contractor certifies, at the time the request is submitted, that—

- (1) the request is made in good faith, and
- (2) the supporting data are accurate and complete to the best of that person’s knowledge and belief.

(b) RESTRICTION ON LEGISLATIVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS.—In the case of a contract of an agency named in section 2303(a) of this title, no provision of a law enacted after September 30, 1994, that directs the payment of a particular claim under such contract, a particular request for equitable adjustment to any term of such contract, or a particular request for relief under Public Law 85-804 (50 U.S.C. 1431 et seq.) regarding such contract may be implemented unless such provision of law—

- (1) specifically refers to this subsection; and
- (2) specifically states that this subsection does not apply with respect to the payment directed by that provision of law.

(c) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “simplified acquisition threshold” has the meaning given that term in section 134 of title 41.

(Added Pub. L. 103-355, title II, § 2301(a), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3320; amended Pub. L. 111-350, § 5(b)(27), Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3845.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Public Law 85-804, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (b), is Pub. L. 85-804, Aug. 28, 1958, 72 Stat. 972, which is classified generally to chapter 29 (§ 1431 et seq.) of Title 50, War and National Defense. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.