

waiver is effective shall be refunded. The Secretary shall provide by regulations for examination or reexamination of an insured claiming waiver of premiums under this subsection, and may deny waiver for failure to cooperate. If it is found that an insured is no longer totally and permanently disabled, the waiver of premiums shall cease as of the date of such finding and the policy and provision may be continued by payment of premiums as provided therein. In any case in which the Secretary finds that the insured's failure to make timely claim for waiver of premiums, or to submit satisfactory evidence of the existence or continuance of total permanent disability was due to circumstances beyond the insured's control, the Secretary may grant waiver or continuance of waiver of premiums. If the insured dies without filing claim for waiver, the beneficiary, within one year after the death of the insured, or, if the beneficiary is insane or a minor, within one year after removal of such legal disability, may file claim for waiver with evidence of the insured's right to waiver under this subsection. Policies containing a provision for waiver of premiums issued under this subsection may be separately classified for the purpose of dividend distribution from otherwise similar policies not containing such provision.

(Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1158, § 742; Pub. L. 87-549, July 25, 1962, 76 Stat. 219; Pub. L. 99-576, title VII, § 701(29), Oct. 28, 1986, 100 Stat. 3292; renumbered § 1942 and amended Pub. L. 102-83, §§ 4(a)(2)(C)(iii), (b)(1), (2)(E), 5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404-406.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-83, § 5(a), renumbered section 742 of this title as this section.

Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 102-83, § 4(b)(1), (2)(E), substituted "Secretary" for "Administrator" wherever appearing.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 102-83, § 4(b)(1), (2)(E), substituted "Secretary" for "Administrator" wherever appearing.

Pub. L. 102-83, § 4(a)(2)(C)(iii), substituted "by the Secretary" for "in the Veterans' Administration".

1986—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 99-576, § 701(29)(A), substituted "the insured's" for "his" and "the insured" for "he".

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 99-576, § 701(29)(B), substituted "the insured" for "he", "the term" for "his term", and "the insured's control" for "his control", and struck out "his failure" before "to submit".

1962—Pub. L. 87-549 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsecs. (b) and (c).

#### § 1943. Premiums

The premium rates for insurance shall be the net rates based upon the American Experience Table of Mortality and interest at 3½ percent per annum. Regulations shall prescribe the time and method of payment of premiums, but payments of premiums in advance shall not be required for periods of more than one month each, and may be deducted from the pay or deposit of the insured or be otherwise made at the insured's election.

(Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1158, § 743; Pub. L. 97-295, § 4(26), Oct. 12, 1982, 96 Stat. 1307; Pub. L. 99-576, title VII, § 701(30), Oct. 28, 1986, 100 Stat. 3293; renumbered § 1943, Pub. L. 102-83, § 5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-83 renumbered section 743 of this title as this section.

1986—Pub. L. 99-576 substituted "the insured's" for "his".

1982—Pub. L. 97-295 substituted "percent" for "per centum".

#### § 1944. Policy provisions

(a) Provisions for maturity at certain ages, for continuous installments during the lifetime of the insured or beneficiaries, or both, for refund of premiums, cash, loan, paid-up and extended values, dividends from gains and savings, and such other provisions for the protection and advantage of and for alternative benefits to the insured and the beneficiaries as may be found to be reasonable and practicable may be provided for in insurance contracts or from time to time by regulations.

(b) All calculations on insurance shall be based upon the American Experience Table of Mortality and interest at 3½ percent per annum, except that no deduction shall be made for continuous installments during the life of the insured in case the insured's total and permanent disability continues more than two hundred and forty months.

(c) On and after July 19, 1939, the rate of interest charged on any loan secured by a lien on insurance shall not exceed 5 percent per annum.

(Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1158, § 744; Pub. L. 97-295, § 4(26), Oct. 12, 1982, 96 Stat. 1307; Pub. L. 99-576, title VII, § 701(30), Oct. 28, 1986, 100 Stat. 3293; renumbered § 1944, Pub. L. 102-83, § 5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-83 renumbered section 744 of this title as this section.

1986—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 99-576 substituted "the insured's" for "his".

1982—Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 97-295 substituted "percent" for "per centum".

#### § 1945. Renewal

At the expiration of any term period any insurance policy issued on the five-year level premium term plan which has not been exchanged or converted to a permanent plan of insurance and which is not lapsed shall be renewed as level premium term insurance without application for a successive five-year period at the premium rate for the attained age without medical examination. However, renewal shall be effected in cases where the policy is lapsed only if the insured makes application for reinstatement and renewal of the insured's term policy within five years after the date of lapse, and reinstatement in such cases shall be under the terms and conditions prescribed by the Secretary.

(Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1159, § 745; Pub. L. 91-291, § 11, June 25, 1970, 84 Stat. 331; Pub. L. 99-576, title VII, § 701(30), Oct. 28, 1986, 100 Stat. 3293; renumbered § 1945 and amended Pub. L. 102-83, §§ 4(b)(1), (2)(E), 5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404-406.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-83 renumbered section 745 of this title as this section and substituted "Secretary" for "Administrator".