- 8724. Protection of oil reserves; contracts for conservation.
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- leum reserves.
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- 8739. Certain oil shale reserves: transfer of jurisdiction and petroleum exploration, development, and production.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior chapter 869, consisting of sections 8961 to 8966, related to retired grade for members of the Air Force, prior to renumbering as chapter 943 of this title.

Amendments

2018—Pub. L. 115–232, div. A, title VIII, \$07(e)(4), (f)(1), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1838, redesignated chapter 641 of this title as this chapter and items 7420 to 7425, 7427 to 7433, and 7435 to 7439 as 8720 to 8725, 8727 to 8733, and 8735 to 8739, respectively.

2000—Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [div. C, title XXXIV, §3402(b)(3)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-484, struck out item 7426 "Cooperative or unit plans affecting Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 1".

1997—Pub. L. 105-85, div. C, title XXXIV, §3404(b), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 2061, added item 7439.

1996—Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title X, §1074(a)(19), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2660, struck out item 7434 "Annual report to congressional committees".

Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title XV, §§1502(a)(28)(B), 1503(b)(4), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 506, 513, substituted "Agreements" for "Agreement" in item 7428 and "congressional committees" for "Armed Services Committees" in item 7434.

1990—Pub. L. 101–510, div. A, title XIII, §1331(9), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1673, amended item 7434 generally, substituting "Annual report." for "Quarterly reports."

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1980—Pub. L. 96-513, title V, §513(32)(C), Dec. 12, 1980,
94 Stat. 2933, substituted "Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered" for "naval petroleum reserve numbered" in item 7426.

1979—Pub. L. 96-137, §3(b)(2), Dec. 12, 1979, 93 Stat. 1062, substituted "Authorizations of appropriations" for "Naval petroleum reserve special account" in item 7432.

1976—Pub. L. 94–258, title II, §201(20), Apr. 5, 1976, 90 Stat. 313, added item 7420 and substituted "Naval petroleum reserve special account" for "Expenditures; appropriations chargeable" in item 7432.

1962—Pub. L. 87–796, §1(13), Oct. 11, 1962, 76 Stat. 906, substituted "Rifle, Colorado, plant; possession, use, and transfer of" for "Exclusion of naval oil shale reserves" in item 7438.

§8720. Definitions

In this chapter:

(1) The term "national defense" includes the needs of, and the planning and preparedness to meet, essential defense, industrial, and military emergency energy requirements relative to the national safety, welfare, and economy, particularly resulting from foreign military or economic actions.

(2) The term "naval petroleum reserves" means the naval petroleum and oil shale re-

serves established by this chapter, including Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 1 (Elk Hills), located in Kern County, California, established by Executive order of the President, dated September 2, 1912; Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 2 (Buena Vista), located in Kern County, California, established by Executive order of the President, dated December 13, 1912; Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 3 (Teapot Dome), located in Wyoming, established by Executive order of the President, dated April 30, 1915; Oil Shale Reserve Numbered 1, located in Colorado, established by Executive order of the President, dated December 6, 1916, as amended by Executive order dated June 12, 1919; Oil Shale Reserve Numbered 2, located in Utah, established by Executive order of the President, dated December 6, 1916; and Oil Shale Reserve Numbered 3, located in Colorado, established by Executive order of the President, dated September 27, 1924.

(3) The term "petroleum" includes crude oil, gases (including natural gas), natural gasoline, and other related hydrocarbons, oil shale, and the products of any of such resources.

(4) The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of Energy.

(5) The term "small refiner" means an owner of a refinery or refineries (including refineries not in operation) who qualifies as a small business refiner under the rules and regulations of the Small Business Administration.

(6) The term "maximum efficient rate" means the maximum sustainable daily oil or gas rate from a reservoir which will permit economic development and depletion of that reservoir without detriment to the ultimate recovery.

(Added Pub. L. 94–258, title II, §201(1), Apr. 5, 1976, 90 Stat. 307, §7420; amended Pub. L. 96–513, title V, §513(30), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2933; Pub. L. 100–26, §7(k)(5), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 284; renumbered §8720, Pub. L. 115–232, div. A, title VIII, §807(d)(5), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1836.)

Amendments

 $2018\mbox{--}\mbox{Pub. L}.$ 115–232 renumbered section 7420 of this title as this section.

1987—Pub. L. 100-26 substituted colon for dash at end of introductory provisions, inserted "The term" in each par., substituted periods for semicolons in pars. (1) to (4) and period for "; and" in par. (5).

1980—Pub. L. 96-513 in introductory text struck out "(a)" before "In", in par. (2) struck out provisions relating to Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 4, and in par. (4) substituted "Energy" for "the Navy".

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-513 effective Dec. 12, 1980, see section 701(b)(3) of Pub. L. 96-513, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVE

Pub. L. 109-58, title III, subtitle D, Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. $694, \, {\rm provided \ that:}$

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