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AMENDMENTS

- 2005—Pub. L. 109-13, div. A, title I, §1032(b), May 11, 2005, 119 Stat. 259, added item 1980A.
1998—Pub. L. 105-368, title III, §302(a)(2), Nov. 11, 1998, 112 Stat. 3333, added item 1980.
1996—Pub. L. 104-275, title IV, §405(b)(3), Oct. 9, 1996, 110 Stat. 3339, substituted "SERVICEMEMBERS'

- GROUP" for "SERVICEMEN'S GROUP" in subchapter III heading and "Servicemembers' Group" for "Servicemen's Group" in item 1974.
1992—Pub. L. 102-568, title II, §203(b), Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4325, added item 1922A.
1991—Pub. L. 102-83, §5(b)(1), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406, renumbered items 701 to 788 as 1901 to 1988, respectively.
Pub. L. 102-83, §4(b)(1), (2)(E), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404, 405, substituted "Secretary" for "Administrator" in item 785.
1988—Pub. L. 100-687, div. B, title XIV, §1401(c), Nov. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 4129, added items 728, 729, and 763.
Pub. L. 100-322, title III, §331(a)(2), (b)(2), May 20, 1988, 102 Stat. 536, 537, added items 727 and 762.
1979—Pub. L. 96-128, title III, §§302(b), 303(b), Nov. 28, 1979, 93 Stat. 986, added items 726 and 761.
1974—Pub. L. 93-289, §§2(b), 9(b), May 24, 1974, 88 Stat. 165, 172, added items 777, 778, and 779 and substituted "Veterans' Special Life Insurance" for "Veterans' special term insurance" in item 723.
1971—Pub. L. 92-188, §3, Dec. 15, 1971, 85 Stat. 645, substituted "Payment or use of dividends" for "Dividends to pay premiums" in item 707.
1970—Pub. L. 91-291, §7, June 25, 1970, 84 Stat. 331, substituted "Duration and termination of coverage; conversion" for "Termination of coverage; conversion" in item 768.
1965—Pub. L. 89-214, §2, Sept. 29, 1965, 79 Stat. 886, redesignated "SUBCHAPTER III—GENERAL" as "SUBCHAPTER IV—GENERAL" and inserted "SUBCHAPTER III—SERVICEMEN'S GROUP LIFE INSURANCE" comprising items 765 to 776.
1964—Pub. L. 88-664, §12(c), Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1099, added item 725.

SUBCHAPTER I—NATIONAL SERVICE LIFE INSURANCE

§ 1901. Definitions

For the purposes of this subchapter—

- (1) The term "insurance" means National Service Life Insurance.
- (2) The terms "widow" or "widower" mean a person who was the lawful spouse of the insured at the maturity of the insurance.
- (3) The term "child" means a legitimate child, an adopted child, and, if designated as beneficiary by the insured, a stepchild or an illegitimate child.
- (4) The terms "parent", "father", and "mother" mean a father, mother, father through adoption, mother through adoption, persons who have stood in loco parentis to a member of the military or naval forces at any time before entry into active service for a period of not less than one year, and a stepparent, if designated as beneficiary by the insured.

(Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1148, §701; renumbered §1901, Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Prior section 1901 was renumbered section 3901 of this title.

Another prior section 1901, Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1215, as amended by Pub. L. 90-77, title II, §204(a), Aug. 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 184, related to veterans eligible for assistance, prior to the general revision of chapter 39 of this title by Pub. L. 91-666. See sections 3901 and 3902 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-83 renumbered section 701 of this title as this section.