

(B) identify (through the annual assessments under section 2034 of this title and other available resources) gaps in programs of the Department in serving homeless veterans, including identification of geographic areas with unmet needs, and provide recommendations to address those gaps;

(C) identify gaps in existing information systems on homeless veterans, both within and outside the Department, and provide recommendations about redressing problems in data collection;

(D) identify barriers under existing laws and policies to effective coordination by the Department with other Federal agencies and with State and local agencies addressing homeless populations;

(E) identify opportunities for increased liaison by the Department with nongovernmental organizations and individual groups providing services to homeless populations;

(F) with appropriate officials of the Department designated by the Secretary, participate with the Interagency Council on the Homeless under title II of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11311 et seq.);

(G) recommend appropriate funding levels for specialized programs for homeless veterans provided or funded by the Department;

(H) recommend appropriate placement options for veterans who, because of advanced age, frailty, or severe mental illness, may not be appropriate candidates for vocational rehabilitation or independent living; and

(I) perform such other functions as the Secretary may direct.

(c) **REPORTS.**—(1) Not later than March 31 of each year, the Committee shall submit to the Secretary a report on the programs and activities of the Department that relate to homeless veterans. Each such report shall include—

(A) an assessment of the needs of homeless veterans;

(B) a review of the programs and activities of the Department designed to meet such needs;

(C) a review of the activities of the Committee; and

(D) such recommendations (including recommendations for administrative and legislative action) as the Committee considers appropriate.

(2) Not later than 90 days after the receipt of a report under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall transmit to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives a copy of the report, together with any comments and recommendations concerning the report that the Secretary considers appropriate.

(3) The Committee may also submit to the Secretary such other reports and recommendations as the Committee considers appropriate.

(4) The Secretary shall submit with each annual report submitted to the Congress pursuant to section 529 of this title a summary of all reports and recommendations of the Committee submitted to the Secretary since the previous annual report of the Secretary submitted pursuant to that section.

(d) **TERMINATION.**—The Committee shall cease to exist September 30, 2022.

(Added Pub. L. 107–95, § 5(a)(1), Dec. 21, 2001, 115 Stat. 916; amended Pub. L. 109–444, § 2(e), Dec. 21, 2006, 120 Stat. 3304; Pub. L. 109–461, title VII, § 709, title X, § 1006(b), Dec. 22, 2006, 120 Stat. 3441, 3468; Pub. L. 112–37, § 10(f), Oct. 5, 2011, 125 Stat. 397; Pub. L. 112–191, title II, § 206, Oct. 5, 2012, 126 Stat. 1439; Pub. L. 113–59, § 11, Dec. 20, 2013, 127 Stat. 663; Pub. L. 113–175, title II, § 208, Sept. 26, 2014, 128 Stat. 1904; Pub. L. 114–58, title III, § 306, Sept. 30, 2015, 129 Stat. 534; Pub. L. 114–228, title III, § 307, Sept. 29, 2016, 130 Stat. 939; Pub. L. 115–62, title III, § 306, Sept. 29, 2017, 131 Stat. 1163; Pub. L. 115–251, title I, § 147, Sept. 29, 2018, 132 Stat. 3170.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(3)(F), is Pub. L. 100–77, July 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 482, as amended. Title II of the Act is classified generally to subchapter II (§ 11311 et seq.) of chapter 119 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 11301 of Title 42 and Tables.

#### AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 115–251 substituted “September 30, 2022” for “September 30, 2018”.

2017—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 115–62 substituted “September 30, 2018” for “December 31, 2017”.

2016—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 114–228 substituted “December 31, 2017” for “December 31, 2016”.

2015—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 114–58 substituted “December 31, 2016” for “December 31, 2015”.

2014—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 113–175 substituted “December 31, 2015” for “December 31, 2014”.

2013—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 113–59 substituted “December 31, 2014” for “December 31, 2013”.

2012—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 112–191 substituted “December 31, 2013” for “December 31, 2012”.

2011—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 112–37 substituted “December 31, 2012” for “December 30, 2011”.

2006—Subsec. (a)(3)(E) to (G). Pub. L. 109–461, § 709(a), added subpars. (E) to (G).

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 109–461, § 1006(b), provided that as of the enactment of Pub. L. 109–461, the amendments made by Pub. L. 109–444 were deemed for all purposes not to have taken effect and that Pub. L. 109–444 ceased to be in effect. See Amendment notes below and section 1006(b) of Pub. L. 109–461, set out as a Coordination of Provisions With Pub. L. 109–444 note under section 101 of this title.

Pub. L. 109–461, § 709(b), substituted “December 30, 2011” for “December 31, 2006”.

Pub. L. 109–444, which substituted “December 31, 2007” for “December 31, 2006”, was terminated by Pub. L. 109–461, § 1006(b). See Amendment notes above.

#### CHANGE OF NAME

Interagency Council on the Homeless changed to United States Interagency Council on Homelessness by Pub. L. 108–199, div. G, title II, § 216, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 394.

### § 2067. National Center on Homelessness Among Veterans

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—(1) The Secretary shall establish and operate a center to carry out the functions described in subsection (b).

(2) The center established under paragraph (1) shall be known as the “National Center on Homelessness Among Veterans”.

(3) To the degree practicable, the Secretary shall operate the center established under paragraph (1) independently of the other programs of

the Department that address homelessness among veterans.

(b) FUNCTIONS.—The functions described in this subsection are as follows:

(1) To carry out and promote research into the causes and contributing factors to veteran homelessness.

(2) To assess the effectiveness of programs of the Department to meet the needs of homeless veterans.

(3) To identify and disseminate best practices with regard to housing stabilization, income support, employment assistance, community partnerships, and such other matters as the Secretary considers appropriate with respect to addressing veteran homelessness.

(4) To integrate evidence-based and best practices, policies, and programs into programs of the Department for homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness and to ensure that the staff of the Department and community partners can implement such practices, policies, and programs.

(5) To serve as a resource center for, and promote and seek to coordinate the exchange of information regarding, all research and training activities carried out by the Department and by other Federal and non-Federal entities with respect to veteran homelessness.

(Added Pub. L. 114-315, title VII, §713(a), Dec. 16, 2016, 130 Stat. 1588.)

#### CHAPTER 21—SPECIALLY ADAPTED HOUSING FOR DISABLED VETERANS

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#### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-177, §1(d), June 1, 2018, 132 Stat. 1378, added item 2102B.

2012—Pub. L. 112-154, title VII, §701(a)(2), Aug. 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 1203, added item 2109.

2010—Pub. L. 111-275, title II, §203(b), Oct. 13, 2010, 124 Stat. 2874, added item 2108.

2008—Pub. L. 110-289, div. B, title VI, §2602(b)(8), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2860, substituted "Acquisition and adaptation of housing: eligible veterans" for "Veterans eligible for assistance" in item 2101, added item 2101A, and substituted "individuals" for "veterans" in item 2102A.

2006—Pub. L. 109-233, title I, §101(d), June 15, 2006, 120 Stat. 399, added items 2102A and 2107.

1992—Pub. L. 102-568, title II, §204(b), Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4325, substituted "Veterans'" for "Veteran's" in item 2106.

1991—Pub. L. 102-83, §5(b)(1), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406, renumbered items 801 to 806 as 2101 to 2106, respectively.

1988—Pub. L. 100-322, title III, §333(a)(2), May 20, 1988, 102 Stat. 539, substituted "Veteran's mortgage life insurance" for "Mortgage Protection Life Insurance" in item 806.

1971—Pub. L. 92-95, §2, Aug. 11, 1971, 85 Stat. 322, added item 806.

#### § 2101. Acquisition and adaptation of housing: eligible veterans

(a) ACQUISITION OF HOUSING WITH SPECIAL FEATURES.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), the Secretary may assist a disabled veteran described in paragraph (2) in acquiring a suitable housing unit with special fixtures or movable facilities made necessary by the nature of the veteran's disability, and necessary land therefor.

(2)(A) A veteran is described in this paragraph if the veteran—

(i) is entitled to compensation under chapter 11 of this title for a permanent and total service-connected disability that meets any of the criteria described in subparagraph (B); or

(ii) served in the Armed Forces on or after September 11, 2001, and is entitled to compensation under chapter 11 of this title for a permanent service-connected disability that meets the criterion described in subparagraph (C).

(B) The criteria described in this subparagraph are as follows:

(i) The disability is due to the loss, or loss of use, of both lower extremities such as to preclude locomotion without the aid of braces, crutches, canes, or a wheelchair.

(ii) The disability is due to—

(I) blindness in both eyes, having only light perception, plus

(II) loss or loss of use of one lower extremity.

(iii) The disability is due to the loss or loss of use of one lower extremity together with—

(I) residuals of organic disease or injury; or

(II) the loss or loss of use of one upper extremity,

which so affect the functions of balance or propulsion as to preclude locomotion without the aid of braces, crutches, canes, or a wheelchair.

(iv) The disability is due to the loss, or loss of use, of both upper extremities such as to preclude use of the arms at or above the elbows.

(v) The disability is due to a severe burn injury (as determined pursuant to regulations prescribed by the Secretary).

(C) The criterion described in this subparagraph is that the disability—

(i) was incurred on or after September 11, 2001; and

(ii) is due to the loss or loss of use of one or more lower extremities which so affects the functions of balance or propulsion as to preclude ambulating without the aid of braces, crutches, canes, or a wheelchair.

(3) The regulations prescribed under subsection (d) shall require that assistance under