

2011—Subsec. (e), Pub. L. 112-37 substituted “2012” for “2011”.

2008—Pub. L. 110-289, §2602(b)(7)(B), amended section catchline generally. Prior to amendment, catchline read as follows: “Assistance for veterans residing temporarily in housing owned by a family member”.

Subsec. (a), Pub. L. 110-289, §2602(b)(3)(A), (B), substituted “individual” for “veteran” and “individual’s” for “veteran’s” in two places each.

Subsec. (b), Pub. L. 110-289, §2602(b)(3)(C), substituted “an individual” for “a veteran” in two places.

Subsec. (c), Pub. L. 110-289, §2602(b)(3)(A), substituted “individual” for “veteran”.

Subsec. (e), Pub. L. 110-289, §2604, substituted “after December 31, 2011” for “after the end of the five-year period that begins on the date of the enactment of the Veterans’ Housing Opportunity and Benefits Improvement Act of 2006”.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2012 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 112-154, title II, §205(d), Aug. 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 1178, provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Aug. 6, 2012] and shall apply with respect to assistance furnished in accordance with section 2102A of title 38, United States Code, on or after that date.”

### § 2102B. Adaptations to residences of veterans in rehabilitation programs

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsections (b) and (c), the Secretary may assist a veteran who is entitled to services and assistance under chapter 31 of this title and is pursuing a rehabilitation program under such chapter in acquiring such adaptations to such veteran’s residence as are determined necessary by the Secretary to accomplish the purposes of such rehabilitation program.

(b) AMOUNT.—(1) The aggregate amount of assistance available to a veteran under subsection (a) may not exceed \$77,307. The Secretary may waive this limitation for a veteran if the Secretary determines a waiver is necessary for the rehabilitation program of the veteran.

(2) Effective on October 1 of each year (beginning in 2017), the Secretary shall increase the amount described in paragraph (1) by the percentage calculated under section 2102(e)(2) of this title.

(3) Beginning on October 1, 2019, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives a biennial report on the use of the waiver authority under paragraph (1).

(c) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out this section.

(d) REHABILITATION PROGRAM DEFINED.—In this section, the term “rehabilitation program” has the meaning given such term in section 3101 of this title.

(Added Pub. L. 115-177, §1(a), June 1, 2018, 132 Stat. 1376.)

#### REGULATIONS

Pub. L. 115-177, §1(b), June 1, 2018, 132 Stat. 1376, provided that: “The Secretary may provide assistance under section 2102B of such title [meaning title 38, United States Code], as added by subsection (a), in advance of regulations by issuing notice specifying the criteria for the application, approval, and oversight processes relating to the provision of assistance under such section.”

### § 2103. Furnishing of plans and specifications

(a) PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS.—The Secretary is authorized to furnish to individuals eligible for assistance under this chapter, without cost to the individuals, model plans and specifications of suitable housing units.

(b) HANDBOOK FOR DESIGN.—The Secretary shall make available to veterans eligible for assistance under this chapter, without cost to the veterans, a handbook containing appropriate designs for specially adapted housing. The Secretary shall update such handbook at least once every six years to take into account any new or unique disabilities, including vision impairments, impairments specific to the upper limbs, and burn injuries.

(Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1168, §803; renumbered §2103 and amended Pub. L. 102-83, §§4(b)(1), (2)(E), 5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404-406; Pub. L. 110-289, div. B, title VI, §2602(b)(4), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2859; Pub. L. 110-389, title V, §503, Oct. 10, 2008, 122 Stat. 4176.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Prior section 2103, Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1223, related to payment of mustering-out payments to beneficiaries of deceased members, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 89-50, §1(a), June 24, 1965, 79 Stat. 173, effective July 1, 1966.

#### AMENDMENTS

2008—Pub. L. 110-389 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted heading, and added subsec. (b).

Pub. L. 110-289 substituted “individuals” for “veterans” in two places.

1991—Pub. L. 102-83 renumbered section 803 of this title as this section and substituted “Secretary” for “Administrator”.

### § 2104. Benefits additional to benefits under other laws

(a) Any individual who accepts the benefits of this chapter shall not by reason thereof be denied the benefits of chapter 37 of this title.

(b) An individual eligible for assistance under section 2101(b) of this title shall not by reason of such eligibility be denied benefits for which such individual becomes eligible under section 2101(a) of this title or benefits relating to home health services under section 1717(a)(2) of this title.

(c) The Secretary may not provide assistance to a veteran under this chapter if the Secretary determines such assistance would result in a duplication of benefits under this title to the veteran.

(Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1169, §804; Pub. L. 96-385, title III, §301(c), Oct. 7, 1980, 94 Stat. 1531; renumbered §2104 and amended Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), (c)(1), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406; Pub. L. 104-262, title I, §101(e)(2), Oct. 9, 1996, 110 Stat. 3180; Pub. L. 110-289, div. B, title VI, §2602(b)(5), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2859; Pub. L. 115-177, §1(c)(3), June 1, 2018, 132 Stat. 1377.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Prior section 2104, Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1223, related to time limitations, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 89-50, §1(a), June 24, 1965, 79 Stat. 173, effective July 1, 1966.

#### AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (a), Pub. L. 115-177, §1(c)(3)(A), struck out “; however, except as provided in subsection (b) of