

**§ 4511. Definition and general provisions**

(a) For purposes of this subchapter, the term “agency” means any Executive agency.

(b) A cash award under this subchapter is in addition to the regular pay of the recipient. Acceptance of a cash award under this subchapter constitutes an agreement that the use by the Government of an idea, method, or device for which the award is made does not form the basis of a further claim of any nature against the Government by the employee, his heirs, or assigns.

(Added Pub. L. 97-35, title XVII, §1703(a), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 755.)

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

Section effective Oct. 1, 1981, see section 1703(c) of Pub. L. 97-35, set out as an Effective Date of 1981 Amendment note under section 4501 of this title.

**AUTHORITY TO MAKE AWARDS**

Pub. L. 102-487, §1(c), Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 3134, provided that: “Awards may be made under subchapter II of chapter 45 of title 5, United States Code, on and after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 24, 1992].”

**§ 4512. Agency awards for cost savings disclosures**

(a) The Inspector General of an agency, or any other agency employee designated under subsection (b), may pay a cash award to any employee of such agency whose disclosure of fraud, waste, or mismanagement to the Inspector General of the agency, or to such other designated agency employee, has resulted in cost savings for the agency. The amount of an award under this section may not exceed the lesser of—

(1) \$10,000; or

(2) an amount equal to 1 percent of the agency’s cost savings which the Inspector General, or other employee designated under subsection (b), determines to be the total savings attributable to the employee’s disclosure.

For purposes of paragraph (2), the Inspector General or other designated employee may take into account agency cost savings projected for subsequent fiscal years which will be attributable to such disclosure.

(b) In the case of an agency for which there is no Inspector General, the head of the agency shall designate an agency employee who shall have the authority to make the determinations and grant the awards permitted under this section.

(Added Pub. L. 97-35, title XVII, §1703(a), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 755; amended Pub. L. 99-145, title XII, §1225(b)(2), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 730.)

**AMENDMENTS**

1985—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 99-145 struck out subsec. (c) which provided that the Inspector General, or other employee designated under subsection (b), shall submit to the Comptroller General documentation substantiating any award made under this section and that the Comptroller General shall, from time to time, review awards made under this section and procedures used in making such awards to verify the cost savings for which the awards were made.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

Section effective Oct. 1, 1981, see section 1703(c) of Pub. L. 97-35, set out as an Effective Date of 1981 Amendment note under section 4501 of this title.

**§ 4513. Presidential awards for cost savings disclosures**

The President may pay a cash award in the amount of \$20,000 to any employee whose disclosure of fraud, waste, or mismanagement has resulted in substantial cost savings for the Government. In evaluating the significance of a cost savings disclosure made by an employee for purposes of determining whether to make an award to such employee under this section, the President may take into account cost savings projected for subsequent fiscal years which will be attributable to the disclosure. During any fiscal year, the President may not make more than 50 awards under this section.

(Added Pub. L. 97-35, title XVII, §1703(a), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 755.)

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

Section effective Oct. 1, 1981, see section 1703(c) of Pub. L. 97-35, set out as an Effective Date of 1981 Amendment note under section 4501 of this title.

**[§ 4514. Repealed. Pub. L. 102-487, §1(a), Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 3134]**

Section, added Pub. L. 97-35, title XVII, §1703(a), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 756; amended Pub. L. 99-145, title XII, §1225(b)(1)(A), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 730; Pub. L. 100-611, §1(a), Nov. 5, 1988, 102 Stat. 3179, provided that no award could be made under this subchapter after Sept. 30, 1990.

**SUBCHAPTER III—AWARD TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR FOREIGN LANGUAGE CAPABILITIES****AMENDMENTS**

1992—Pub. L. 102-378, §2(20), Oct. 2, 1992, 106 Stat. 1348, substituted “OFFICERS” for “OFFICER”.

**§ 4521. Definition**

For the purpose of this subchapter, the term “law enforcement officer” means—

(1) a law enforcement officer within the meaning of section 5541(3) and to whom the provisions of chapter 51 apply;

(2) a member of the United States Secret Service Uniformed Division;

(3) a member of the United States Park Police;

(4) a special agent in the Diplomatic Security Service;

(5) a probation officer (referred to in section 3672 of title 18); and

(6) a pretrial services officer (referred to in section 3153 of title 18).

(Added Pub. L. 101-509, title V, §529 [title IV, §408(a)], Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1427, 1467; amended Pub. L. 102-141, title VI, §627, Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 874; Pub. L. 102-378, §2(21), Oct. 2, 1992, 106 Stat. 1348.)

**AMENDMENTS**

1992—Pub. L. 102-378 amended section generally, substituting in par. (1) “section 5541(3)” for “section 8331(20) or section 8401(17)”.

1991—Pub. L. 102-141 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: “For the purpose of this subchapter, the term ‘law enforcement officer’ has the same meaning as under section 5949(a).”

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

Pub. L. 101-509, title V, §529 [title IV, §408(d)], Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1427, 1468, provided that: “The amend-