

- (A) Operation and maintenance accounts.
- (B) Procurement accounts.
- (C) Research, development, test, and evaluation accounts.

(2) Upon determination by the Secretary that all or part of the amounts transferred from the Fund under paragraph (1) are not necessary for the purpose for which transferred, such amounts may be transferred back to the Fund.

(3) The transfer of an amount to an account under the authority in paragraph (1) shall be deemed to increase the amount authorized for such account by an amount equal to the amount so transferred.

(4) The transfer authority provided by paragraphs (1) and (2) is in addition to any other transfer authority available to the Department of Defense by law.

(e) SUNSET.—The authority to make expenditures or transfers from the Fund shall expire on September 30, 2018.

(Added Pub. L. 112–81, div. A, title VIII, §846(a)(1), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1516; amended Pub. L. 112–239, div. A, title X, §1076(e)(2), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1951; Pub. L. 113–291, div. A, title VIII, §860, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3461.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 804(b) of the Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011, referred to in subsec. (c)(1), is section 804(b) of Pub. L. 111–383, which is set out as a note under section 2302 of this title.

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2216a, added Pub. L. 104–106, div. A, title III, §371(a)(1), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 277, §2216; renumbered §2216a and amended Pub. L. 104–201, div. A, title III, §§363(c), 364, title X, §1074(a)(10), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2493, 2494, 2659, related to Defense Business Operations Fund, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105–261, div. A, title X, §1008(b), Oct. 17, 1998, 112 Stat. 2117.

#### AMENDMENTS

2014—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 113–291 substituted “September 30, 2018” for “September 30, 2015”.

2013—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 112–239 substituted “on September 30, 2015.” for “on the last day of the third fiscal year that begins after the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012.”

#### LIMITATION ON COMMENCEMENT OF EXPENDITURES FROM FUND

Pub. L. 112–81, div. A, title VIII, §846(b), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1517, provided that: “No expenditure may be made from the Joint Urgent Operational Needs Fund established by section 2216a of title 10, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)), until the Secretary of Defense certifies to the congressional defense committees [Committees on Armed Services and Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives] that the Secretary has developed and implemented an expedited review process in compliance with the requirements of section 804 of the Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011 (Public Law 111–383; 124 Stat. 4256; 10 U.S.C. 2302 note).”

### § 2217. Comparable budgeting for common procurement weapon systems

(a) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED IN ANNUAL DEFENSE BUDGETS.—In preparing the defense budget for any fiscal year, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) specifically identify each common procurement weapon system included in the budget;

(2) take all feasible steps to minimize variations in procurement unit costs for any such system as shown in the budget requests of the different armed forces requesting procurement funds for the system; and

(3) identify and justify in the budget all such variations in procurement unit costs for common procurement weapon systems.

(b) COMPTROLLER.—The Secretary shall carry out this section through the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term “defense budget” means the budget of the Department of Defense included in the President’s budget submitted to Congress under section 1105 of title 31 for a fiscal year.

(2) The term “common procurement weapon system” means a weapon system for which two or more of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps request procurement funds in a defense budget.

(Added Pub. L. 100–370, §1(d)(3)(A), July 19, 1988, 102 Stat. 843; amended Pub. L. 104–106, div. A, title XV, §1503(a)(20), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 512.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Section is based on Pub. L. 99–500, §101(c) [title X, §955], Oct. 18, 1986, 100 Stat. 1783–82, 1783–173, and Pub. L. 99–591, §101(c) [title X, §955], Oct. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 3341–82, 3341–173; Pub. L. 99–661, div. A, title IX, formerly title IV, §955, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3953, renumbered title IX, Pub. L. 100–26, §3(5), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 273.

#### AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104–106 substituted “Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller)” for “Comptroller of the Department of Defense”.

### § 2218. National Defense Sealift Fund

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the Treasury of the United States a fund to be known as the “National Defense Sealift Fund”.

(b) ADMINISTRATION OF FUND.—The Secretary of Defense shall administer the Fund consistent with the provisions of this section.

(c) FUND PURPOSES.—(1) Funds in the National Defense Sealift Fund shall be available for obligation and expenditure only for the following purposes:

(A) Construction (including design of vessels), purchase, alteration, and conversion of Department of Defense sealift vessels.

(B) Operation, maintenance, and lease or charter of Department of Defense vessels for national defense purposes.

(C) Installation and maintenance of defense features for national defense purposes on privately owned and operated vessels that are constructed in the United States and documented under the laws of the United States.

(D) Expenses for maintaining the National Defense Reserve Fleet under section 11 of the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946 (50 U.S.C. 4405),<sup>1</sup> and for the costs of acquisition of ves-

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.