

Section 8885, acts Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 547; Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85-861, §33(a)(42), 72 Stat. 1567; Nov. 2, 1966, Pub. L. 89-718, §3, 80 Stat. 1115, provided that, unless retired or separated at an earlier date or unless retained under section 8923(2) of this title, each commissioned officer whose regular grade is major general be retired when he becomes 62 years of age, except as provided by section 8301 of title 5. See section 1251 of this title.

Section 8886, acts Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 547; Aug. 6, 1958, Pub. L. 85-600, §1(18), 72 Stat. 523; Nov. 2, 1966, Pub. L. 89-718, §3, 80 Stat. 1115, provided that, unless retired or separated at an earlier date, each commissioned officer whose regular grade is major general, and whose retirement under section 8923 of this title has been deferred under cl. (2) of that section, and each permanent professor and the registrar of the United States Air Force Academy, be retired when he becomes 64 years of age, except as provided by section 8301 of title 5. See section 1251 of this title.

A prior section 8887, act Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 547, related to computation of years of service of Air Force nurses or woman medical specialists for purposes of retirement under former sections 8881 or 8882 of this title, or retirement pay under former section 8991 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 85-155, title IV, §401(1), Aug. 21, 1957, 71 Stat. 390.

Prior sections 8888 And 8889 were repealed by Pub. L. 96-513, title II, §216, Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2886, effective Sept. 15, 1981.

Section 8888, acts Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 547; Aug. 21, 1957, Pub. L. 85-155, title III, §301(16), 71 Stat. 388; May 20, 1958, Pub. L. 85-422, §11(a)(7), 72 Stat. 131; Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85-861, §1(194), 72 Stat. 1538; Sept. 30, 1966, Pub. L. 89-609, §1(30), 80 Stat. 854, related to computation of years of service for determining retired pay of a commissioned officer of Regular Air Force retired under former section 8883, 8884, 8885, or 8886 of this title. See section 1405 of this title.

Section 8889, act Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 548, provided that a member of Air Force retired under this chapter be entitled to retired pay computed under former chapter 871 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232, §807(d)(9), renumbered section 7681 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 115-232, §809(a), substituted “section 8852(a)” for “section 7652(a)”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

RECIPROCAL PRIVILEGES

The Governments listed below are accorded like privileges with respect to prizes captured under authority of the said Governments and brought into the territorial waters of the United States or taken or appropriated in the territorial waters of the United States for the use of the said Governments, namely: Australia, Proc. No. 2617, Aug. 16, 1944, 9 F.R. 9969; Canada, Proc. No. 2594, Sept. 27, 1943, 8 F.R. 13217; India, Proc. No. 2601, Dec. 6, 1943, 8 F.R. 16351; New Zealand, Proc. No. 2582, Apr. 2, 1943, 8 F.R. 4275; United Kingdom, Proc. No. 2575, Feb. 2, 1944, 8 F.R. 1429.

CHAPTER 885—STAY OF JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS

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AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §807(e)(4), (f)(1), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1838, redesignated chapter 657 of this title as this chapter and items 7721 to 7730 as 8891 to 8900, respectively.

§ 8891. Scope of chapter

(a) This chapter applies to any suit against the United States under chapter 311 of title 46 for—

- (1) damage caused by a vessel in the naval service; or
- (2) compensation for towage or salvage services, including contract salvage, rendered to a vessel in the naval service.

(b) In this chapter, the term “vessel in the naval service” means—

- (1) any vessel of the Navy, manned by the Navy, or chartered on bareboat charter to the Navy; or
- (2) when the Coast Guard is operating as a service in the Navy, any vessel of the Coast Guard, manned by the Coast Guard, or chartered on bareboat charter to the Coast Guard.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 483, §7721; Pub. L. 96-513, title V, §513(43), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2935; Pub. L. 100-26, §7(k)(10), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 284; Pub. L. 103-35, title II, §201(c)(11), May 31, 1993, 107 Stat. 98; Pub. L. 109-304, §17(a)(6), Oct. 6, 2006, 120 Stat. 1706; renumbered §8891, Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §807(d)(10), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1837.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
7721(a) .....	46 U.S.C. 791 (2d sentence).	July 3, 1944, ch. 399, §1 (2d sentence), 58 Stat. 723.
7721(b) .....	46 U.S.C. 793.	July 3, 1944, ch. 399, §3, 58 Stat. 724.

In subsection (a) the words “wherein a claim is made” are omitted as surplusage. The words “vessel in the naval service” are substituted for the words “vessel in the Navy, or in the naval service” for brevity. No change in meaning results, since the term used in subsection (a) is defined in subsection (b).

In subsection (b) the words “service in” are substituted for the words “part of” to conform to the terminology used in 14 U.S.C. 3.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232 renumbered section 7721 of this title as this section.

2006—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 109-304 substituted “chapter 311 of title 46” for “the Act of March 3, 1925 (commonly referred to as the ‘Public Vessels Act’) (46 U.S.C. App. 781-790)”.

1993—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103-35 substituted “(46 U.S.C. App. 781-790)” for “(46 U.S.C. 781-790)”.

1987—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 100-26 inserted “, the term” after “In this chapter”.

1980—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 96-513 substituted “the Act of March 3, 1925 (commonly referred to as the ‘Public Vessels Act’) (46 U.S.C. 781-790)” for “sections 781-790 of title 46”.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-513 effective Dec. 12, 1980, see section 701(b)(3) of Pub. L. 96-513, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of authorities, functions, personnel, and assets of the Coast Guard, including the authorities and functions of the Secretary of Transportation relating thereto, to the Department of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 468(b), 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

**§ 8892. Stay of suit**

(a) Whenever in time of war the Secretary of the Navy certifies to a court, or to a judge of a court, in which a suit described in section 8891 of this title is pending, that the prosecution of the suit would tend to endanger the security of naval operations in the war, or would tend to interfere with those operations, all further proceedings in the suit shall be stayed.

(b) A stay under this section does not suspend the issue of process to take or preserve evidence to be used in the trial or prevent the completion of action under similar process issued before the stay.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 484, §7722; renumbered §8892 and amended Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §§807(d)(10), 809(a), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1837, 1840.)

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
7722(a) .....	46 U.S.C. 791 (1st sentence, less applicability to duration of stay).	July 3, 1944, ch. 399, §1 (1st sentence, less applicability to duration of stay), 58 Stat. 723.
7722(b) .....	46 U.S.C. 791 (less 1st and 2d sentences and less proviso).	July 3, 1944, ch. 399, §1 (less 1st and 2d sentences and less proviso), 58 Stat. 723.

In subsection (a) the word “forthwith” is omitted as surplusage.

In subsection (b) the words “of proceedings in pending suits as provided” are omitted as surplusage. The words “does not suspend” are substituted for the words “shall not operate to suspend”. The words “of the issues” and “the authority of” are omitted as surplusage. The words “issued before the stay” are substituted for the words “already issued at the time of such stay of suit”.

## AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232, §807(d)(10), renumbered section 7722 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 115-232, §809(a), substituted “section 8891” for “section 7721”.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

**§ 8893. Stay of proceedings for preserving evidence after stay of suit**

If, at the time of certification under section 8892 of this title, or at any time before the termination of the stay based on the certificate, the Secretary of the Navy files with the court an additional certificate to the effect that the issue of any process to preserve evidence or the completion of action on process previously issued would tend to endanger the security of the United States or of any of its naval or military operations in the war, or would tend to interfere with those operations, then all proceedings for the taking or preserving of evidence to be used by either party in the trial shall be stayed.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 484, §7723; renumbered §8893 and amended Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §§807(d)(10), 809(a), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1837, 1840.)

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
7723 .....	46 U.S.C. 791 (proviso, less applicability to duration of stay).	July 3, 1944, ch. 399, §1 (proviso, less applicability to duration of stay), 58 Stat. 723.

The word “stayed” is substituted for the word “suspended” for uniformity and clarity.

## AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232 renumbered section 7723 of this title as this section and substituted “section 8892” for “section 7722”.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

**§ 8894. Stay of proceedings for taking evidence before suit is filed**

(a) If in time of war, with respect to any claim against the United States on which a suit described in section 8891 of this title would lie, the Secretary of the Navy certifies to the court, or to a judge of the court, in which proceedings are pending for—

- (1) the granting of a *dedimus potestatem* to take depositions;
- (2) a direction to take depositions in *perpetuum rei memoriam*; or
- (3) the taking of depositions or production of evidence pursuant to such *dedimus potestatem* or direction, or pursuant to any other proceedings for the purpose;

that the proceedings would tend to endanger the security of the United States or any of its naval or military operations in the war, or would tend to interfere with those operations, then the proceedings may not be started or, if they have been started, they shall, when the certificate is filed, be stayed.

(b) The time during which a claimant may file suit of the type described in section 8891 of this title is computed by excluding the time during which a stay under this section or any extension of such a stay is in effect.