

als, bars, emblems, or insignia to which such personnel may be entitled under other provisions of law.

(Aug. 4, 1949, ch. 393, 63 Stat. 537, §502; renumbered §2746, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §116(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4226.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

This section insures that the preceding sections are not intended to prevent Coast Guard military personnel from receiving other medals, the legion of merit, for example. 81st Congress, House Report No. 557.

#### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 502 of this title as this section.

#### MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

Medal established as an award for outstanding meritorious achievement or service to the United States, see Ex. Ord. No. 11448, Jan. 16, 1969, 34 F.R. 915, as amended, set out as a note preceding section 1121 of Title 10, Armed Forces.

### § 2747. Awards and insignia for excellence in service or conduct

The Coast Guard may award trophies, badges, and cash prizes to Coast Guard personnel or groups thereof, including personnel of the reserve components thereof whether or not on active duty, for excellence in accomplishments related to Coast Guard service, to incur such expenses as may be necessary to enter such personnel in competitions, and to provide badges or buttons in recognition of special service, good conduct, and discharge under conditions other than dishonorable.

(Aug. 4, 1949, ch. 393, 63 Stat. 537, §503; renumbered §2747, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §116(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4226.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on the following language contained in the Coast Guard appropriation act for 1949, "Pay and Allowances" and preceding years: "not exceeding \$10,000 for cash prizes for men for excellence in boatmanship, gunnery, target practice, and engineering competitions" (June 19, 1948, ch. 558, 62 Stat. 561).

This section expands the language contained in the appropriation act to include the awarding of trophies and badges, and to include in the accomplishments for which such awards may be made, excellence in any field related to Coast Guard duty. 81st Congress, House Report No. 557.

#### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 503 of this title as this section.

### § 2748. Presentation of United States flag upon retirement

(a) PRESENTATION OF FLAG.—Upon the release of a member of the Coast Guard from active duty for retirement, the Secretary shall present a United States flag to the member.

(b) MULTIPLE PRESENTATIONS NOT AUTHORIZED.—A member is not eligible for a presentation of a flag under subsection (a) if the member has previously been presented a flag under this section or any other provision of law providing for the presentation of a United States flag incident to release from active service for retirement.

(c) NO COST TO RECIPIENT.—The presentation of a flag under this section shall be at no cost to the recipient.

(Added Pub. L. 105-261, div. A, title VI, §644(d)(1), Oct. 17, 1998, 112 Stat. 2049, §516; amended Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title VI, §652(e), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 666; Pub. L. 107-296, title XVII, §1704(a), Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2314; Pub. L. 107-314, div. A, title X, §1062(b)(2), Dec. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2650; Pub. L. 112-213, title II, §217(6), Dec. 20, 2012, 126 Stat. 1557; renumbered §2748, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §116(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4226.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 516 of this title as this section.

2012—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 112-213 struck out "of Homeland Security" after "Secretary".

2002—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 107-296 substituted "of Homeland Security" for "of Transportation".

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 107-314 substituted "this section" for "his section".

1999—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 106-65 substituted "under this section or any other provision of law providing for the presentation of a United States flag incident to release from active service for retirement." for "under this section or section 3681, 6141, and 8681 of title 10."

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2002 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 107-296 effective on the date of transfer of the Coast Guard to the Department of Homeland Security, see section 1704(g) of Pub. L. 107-296, set out as a note under section 101 of Title 10, Armed Forces.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section applicable with respect to releases from active duty described in this section and sections 7251, 8261, and 9251 of Title 10, Armed Forces, on or after Oct. 1, 1998, see section 644(e) of Pub. L. 105-261, set out as a note under section 7251 of Title 10, Armed Forces.

### SUBCHAPTER III—PAYMENTS

#### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §116(c)(3), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4229, inserted subchapter III designation and heading.

### § 2761. Persons discharged as result of court-martial; allowances to

The Secretary may furnish persons discharged pursuant to the sentence of a Coast Guard court-martial suitable civilian clothing and a monetary allowance not to exceed \$25 if the person discharged would not otherwise have suitable clothing or funds to meet immediate needs.

(Added May 5, 1950, ch. 169, §16(a), 64 Stat. 148, §509; amended Pub. L. 90-377, §8, July 5, 1968, 82 Stat. 288; renumbered §2761, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §116(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4226.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 509 of this title as this section.

1968—Pub. L. 90-377 substituted "Persons discharged as result of court-martial; allowances to" for "Prisoners; allowances to; transportation" in section catchline, and struck out provision that persons confined in prisons in pursuance of the sentence of a Coast Guard court shall during such confinement, be allowed a reasonable sum, not to exceed \$3 per month, for necessary prison expenses and the provision that the Commandant of the Coast Guard may transport to their