

“(2) shall instead be fixed in accordance with the provisions of law that (disregarding DCIPS) would then otherwise apply.

The preceding sentence shall not apply with respect to the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency.

“(b) RESPONSE TO GAO REPORT.—Not later than 3 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional oversight committees a written description of any actions taken or proposed to be taken by such Secretary in response to the review and recommendations of the Government Accountability Office regarding the Defense Civilian Intelligence Personnel System.

“(c) INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, and the Director of National Intelligence shall jointly designate an independent organization to review the operation of the Defense Civilian Intelligence Personnel System, including—

“(A) its impact on career progression;

“(B) its appropriateness or inappropriateness in light of the complexities of the workforce affected;

“(C) its sufficiency in terms of providing protections for diversity in promotion and retention of personnel; and

“(D) the adequacy of the training, policy guidelines, and other preparations afforded in connection with transitioning to that system.

“(2) DEADLINE.—The independent organization shall, after appropriate consultation with employees and employee organizations, submit its findings and recommendations under this section to the Secretary of Defense and the congressional oversight committees, in a written report, not later than June 1, 2010.

“(d) PROPOSED ACTIONS BASED ON REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after receiving the report of the independent organization under subsection (c), the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Director of the Office of Personnel Management and the Director of National Intelligence, shall submit to the congressional oversight committees a written report describing any actions that the Secretary has taken or proposes to take in response to such report.

“(e) HOLD-HARMLESS PROVISION.—No employee shall suffer any loss of or decrease in pay as a result of being converted from DCIPS in compliance with subsection (a).

“(f) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

“(1) the terms ‘Defense Civilian Intelligence Personnel System’ and ‘DCIPS’ mean the civilian personnel system established by the Secretary of Defense under regulations—

“(A) prescribed pursuant to sections 1601 through 1614 of title 10, United States Code; and

“(B) taking effect in September 2008 or thereafter; and

“(2) the term ‘congressional oversight committees’ means—

“(A) the Committee on Armed Services and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives; and

“(B) the Committee on Armed Services and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate.”

§ 1602. Basic pay

(a) AUTHORITY TO FIX RATES OF BASIC PAY.—The Secretary of Defense (subject to the provisions of this section) shall fix the rates of basic pay for positions established under section 1601 of this title in relation to the rates of pay provided for comparable positions in the Department of Defense and subject to the same limitations on maximum rates of pay established for employees of the Department of Defense by law or regulation.

(b) PREVAILING RATE SYSTEMS.—The Secretary of Defense may, consistent with section 5341 of

title 5, adopt such provisions of that title as provide for prevailing rate systems of basic pay and may apply those provisions to positions for civilian employees in or under which the Department of Defense may employ individuals described by section 5342(a)(2)(A) of that title.

(Added Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVI, § 1632(a)(3), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2746; amended Pub. L. 108-375, div. A, title XI, § 1103(a), Oct. 28, 2004, 118 Stat. 2072; Pub. L. 109-364, div. A, title X, § 1071(g)(12), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2403.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1602 was renumbered section 1621 of this title.

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in sections 1590(b) and (c) and 1604(b)(1) and (c) of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 104-201, §§ 1632(a)(3), 1633(a).

AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 109-364 made technical correction to directory language of Pub. L. 108-375, § 1103(a)(1). See 2004 Amendment note below.

2004—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108-375, § 1103(a)(1), as amended by Pub. L. 109-364, substituted “in relation to the rates of pay provided for comparable positions in the Department of Defense and subject to the same limitations on maximum rates of pay established for employees of the Department of Defense by law or regulation” for “in relation to the rates of basic pay provided in subpart D of part III of title 5 for positions subject to that subpart which have corresponding levels of duties and responsibilities”.

Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 108-375, § 1103(a)(2), (3), redesignated subsec. (c) as (b) and struck out heading and text of former subsec. (b). Text read as follows: “A rate of basic pay fixed under subsection (a) for a position established under section 1601 of this title may not (except as otherwise provided by law) exceed—

“(1) in the case of a Defense Intelligence Senior Executive Service position, the maximum rate provided in section 5382 of title 5;

“(2) in the case of an Intelligence Senior Level position, the maximum rate provided in section 5382 of title 5; and

“(3) in the case of any other position, the maximum rate provided in section 5306(e) of title 5.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2006 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 109-364, div. A, title X, § 1071(g), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2402, provided that the amendment made by section 1071(g)(12) is effective as of Oct. 28, 2004, and as if included in Pub. L. 108-375 as enacted.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1996, see section 1635 of Pub. L. 104-201, set out as an Effective Date of 1996 Amendment note under section 1593 of this title.

§ 1603. Additional compensation, incentives, and allowances

(a) ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION BASED ON TITLE 5 AUTHORITIES.—The Secretary of Defense may provide employees in defense intelligence positions compensation (in addition to basic pay), including benefits, incentives, and allowances, consistent with, and not in excess of the level authorized for, comparable positions authorized by title 5.

(b) ALLOWANCES BASED ON LIVING COSTS AND ENVIRONMENT.—(1) In addition to basic pay, employees in defense intelligence positions who are citizens or nationals of the United States and are stationed outside the continental United