

§ 2193a. Improvement of education in technical fields: general authority for support of elementary and secondary education in science and mathematics

The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of Education, may establish programs for the purpose of improving the mathematics and scientific knowledge and skills of elementary and secondary school students and faculty members.

(Added and amended Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title V, § 580(c)(1), (2), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 632, 633.)

CODIFICATION

The text of section 2193(b) of this title, which was transferred to, and redesignated as text of, this section, was based on Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title II, § 247(a)(1), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1521.

AMENDMENTS

1999—Pub. L. 106-65, § 580(c)(2), renumbered section 2193(b) of this title as text of this section. See Codification note above.

PILOT PROGRAM ON ENHANCEMENT OF PREPARATION OF DEPENDENTS OF MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES FOR CAREERS IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS

Pub. L. 113-291, div. A, title II, § 233, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3334, which required the Secretary of Defense to carry out a pilot program related to the enhancement of preparation of certain students for careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, was repealed by Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title II, § 211(c), Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1255. See section 2192b of this title.

§ 2193b. Improvement of education in technical fields: program for support of elementary and secondary education in science, technology, engineering, art and design, and mathematics

(a) AUTHORITY FOR PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Defense may conduct a science, technology, engineering, art and design, and mathematics education improvement program known as the “Department of Defense STARBASE Program”. The Secretary shall carry out the program in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments and the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating.

(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the program is to improve knowledge and skills of students in kindergarten through twelfth grade in science, technology, engineering, art and design, and mathematics.

(c) STARBASE ACADEMIES.—(1) The Secretary shall provide for the establishment of at least 25 academies under the program.

(2) The Secretary of Defense shall establish guidelines, criteria, and a process for the establishment of STARBASE programs in addition to those in operation on October 5, 1999.

(3)(A) Except as otherwise provided under subparagraph (B), the Secretary may not support the establishment in any State of more than four academies under the program.

(B) The Secretary may support the establishment and operation of an academy in a State in excess of four academies in that State if the Secretary expressly waives, in writing, the limitation in subparagraph (A) with respect to that

State. In the case of any such waiver, appropriated funds may be used for the establishment and operation of an academy in excess of four in that State only to the extent that appropriated funds are expressly available for that purpose. Any such waiver shall be made under criteria to be prescribed by the Secretary.

(d) PERSONS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall prescribe standards and procedures for selection of persons for participation in the program.

(e) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe regulations governing the conduct of the program.

(f) AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT FINANCIAL AND OTHER SUPPORT.—(1) The Secretary of Defense, the Secretaries of the military departments, and the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating may accept financial and other support for the program from other departments and agencies of the Federal Government, State governments, local governments, and not-for-profit and other organizations in the private sector.

(2) The Secretary of Defense shall remain the executive agent to carry out the program regardless of the source of funds for the program or any transfer of jurisdiction over the program within the executive branch.

(g) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than March 31 of each year, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report on the program under this section. The report shall contain a discussion of the design and conduct of the program and an evaluation of the effectiveness of the program.

(h) STATE DEFINED.—In this section, the term “State” includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, and Guam.

(Added Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title V, § 580(a), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 631; amended Pub. L. 107-107, div. A, title V, § 596(b), Dec. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 1127; Pub. L. 108-375, div. A, title V, § 519, title X, § 1084(d)(16), Oct. 28, 2004, 118 Stat. 1886, 2062; Pub. L. 110-181, div. A, title V, § 592, Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 138; Pub. L. 111-383, div. A, title V, § 595, Jan. 7, 2011, 124 Stat. 4234; Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title V, § 552, Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1386; Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title V, §§ 591(a), 592, Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3665, 3666.)

AMENDMENTS

2021—Pub. L. 116-283, § 591(a)(1), substituted “science, technology, engineering, art and design, and mathematics” for “science, mathematics, and technology” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 116-283, § 591(a)(2), substituted “science, technology, engineering, art and design, and mathematics” for “science, mathematics, and technology”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 116-283, § 591(a)(3), substituted “science, technology, engineering, art and design, and mathematics” for “mathematics, science, and technology”.

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 116-283, § 592, inserted “the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa,” before “Guam”.

2019—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 116-92, § 552(1), inserted “and the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating” after “military departments”.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 116-92, § 552(2), substituted “, the Secretaries of the military departments, and the Sec-