under subsections (a) and (b), is authorized to assign such personnel to any position or set of duties in the Department of State regardless of the position held or duties performed by such personnel prior to transfer, except that, by virtue of such assignment, such personnel shall not have their grade or class or their rate of basic pay or basic salary rate reduced, nor their tenure changed. In carrying out the reorganization under this Act, the Secretary shall ensure that the advances made in increasing the number and status of women and minorities within the foreign affairs agencies of the Federal Government, in terms of representation within the agencies as well as relative rank, are not undermined by discrimination within the newly reorganized Department of State. The Secretary shall consult with the relevant exclusive representatives (as defined in section 4102 of this title and in section 7103 of title 5) with regard to the exercise of this authority. This subsection does not authorize the Secretary to assign any individual to any position that by law requires appointment by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

## (d) Superseding other provisions of law

Subsections (a) through (c) shall be exercised notwithstanding any other provision of law.

(Pub. L. 105–277, div. G, subdiv. A, title XVI, §1613, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–799; Pub. L. 106–113, div. B, §1000(a)(7) [div. A, title III, §341], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1536, 1501A–444.)

### **Editorial Notes**

#### References in Text

Subchapter III, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (b), was in the original "title XIII", meaning title XIII of subdiv. A of div. G of Pub. L. 105–277, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–776. For complete classification of title XIII of div. G of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original "this subdivision", meaning subdiv. A of div. G of Pub. L. 105–277, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–765, known as the Foreign Affairs Agencies Consolidation Act of 1998. For complete classification of this subdivision to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 6501 of this title and Tables.

This Act, referred to in subsec. (c), probably means division G of Pub. L. 105–277, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–761, as amended, known as the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998. For complete classification of division G to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 6501 of this title and Tables.

Section 4102 of this title, referred to in subsec. (c), was in the original "section 1002 of the Foreign Service Act", and was translated as meaning section 1002 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

#### Amendments

1999—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 106–113 inserted after first sentence "In carrying out the reorganization under this Act, the Secretary shall ensure that the advances made in increasing the number and status of women and minorities within the foreign affairs agencies of the Federal Government, in terms of representation within the agencies as well as relative rank, are not undermined by discrimination within the newly reorganized Department of State.".

### §6614. Incidental transfers

The Director of the Office of Management and Budget, when requested by the Secretary, is authorized to make such incidental dispositions of personnel, assets, liabilities, grants, contracts, property, records, and unexpended balances of appropriations, authorizations, allocations, and other funds held, used, arising from, available to, or to be made available in connection with such functions, as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of any subchapter of this chapter. The Director of the Office of Management and Budget, in consultation with the Secretary, shall provide for the termination of the affairs of all entities terminated by this chapter and for such further measures and dispositions as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of any subchapter of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. A, title XVI, §1614, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-799.)

### **Editorial Notes**

#### References in Text

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this subdivision", meaning subdiv. A of div. G of Pub. L. 105–277, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–765, known as the Foreign Affairs Agencies Consolidation Act of 1998. For complete classification of this subdivision to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 6501 of this title and Tables.

# §6615. Savings provisions

#### (a) Continuing legal force and effect

All orders, determinations, rules, regulations, permits, agreements, grants, contracts, certificates, licenses, registrations, privileges, and other administrative actions—

(1) that have been issued, made, granted, or allowed to become effective by the President, any Federal agency or official thereof, or by a court of competent jurisdiction, in the performance of functions that are transferred under any subchapter of this chapter; and

(2) that are in effect as of the effective date of such subchapter, or were final before the effective date of such subchapter and are to become effective on or after the effective date of such subchapter,

shall continue in effect according to their terms until modified, terminated, superseded, set aside, or revoked in accordance with law by the President, the Secretary, or other authorized official, a court of competent jurisdiction, or by operation of law.

### (b) Pending proceedings

# (1) In general

The provisions of any subchapter of this chapter shall not affect any proceedings, including notices of proposed rulemaking, or any application for any license, permit, certificate, or financial assistance pending on the effective date of any subchapter of this chapter before any Federal agency, commission, or component thereof, functions of which are transferred by any subchapter of this chapter. Such proceedings and applications, to the extent that they relate to functions so transferred, shall be continued.

### (2) Orders, appeals, payments

Orders shall be issued in such proceedings, appeals shall be taken therefrom, and pay-