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Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108-447, div. B, title I, §114(b), Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 2869, and Pub. L. 108-458, title II, §2004(b), Dec. 17, 2004, 118 Stat. 3704, amended analysis identically, adding item for subchapter VII.

Pub. L. 108-458, title II, §2004(b), Dec. 17, 2004, 118 Stat. 3704, added item 3598, set out second.

Pub. L. 108-447, div. B, title I, §114(b), Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 2869, added item 3598, set out first.

2002—Pub. L. 107-296, title XIII, §1313(a)(1)(B), Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2294, substituted “RETENTION PREFERENCE, VOLUNTARY SEPARATION INCENTIVE PAYMENTS, RESTORATION, AND REEMPLOYMENT” for “RETENTION PREFERENCE, RESTORATION, AND REEMPLOYMENT” in chapter heading and added item for subchapter II and items 3521 to 3525.

1994—Pub. L. 103-353, §2(b)(2)(C), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3169, struck out item for subchapter II “RESTORATION AFTER ACTIVE DUTY OR TRAINING DUTY” and item 3551 “Restoration; Reserves and National Guardsmen”.

1984—Pub. L. 98-615, title III, §306(c)(2), Nov. 8, 1984, 98 Stat. 3220, added item 3595a.

1981—Pub. L. 97-35, title XVII, §1704(a)(2), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 757, redesignated item 3595 as 3596, and added item 3595.

1980—Pub. L. 96-465, title II, §2301(b), Oct. 17, 1980, 94 Stat. 2164, added item for subchapter VI and item 3597.

¹ So in original. Two sections “3598” have been enacted.

² So in original. Does not conform to section catchline.

1978—Pub. L. 95-454, title IV, §404(c), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1167, added item for subchapter V and items 3591 to 3595.

SUBCHAPTER I—RETENTION PREFERENCE

§ 3501. Definitions; application

(a) For the purpose of this subchapter, except section 3504—

(1) “active service” has the meaning given it by section 101 of title 37;

(2) “a retired member of a uniformed service” means a member or former member of a uniformed service who is entitled, under statute, to retired, retirement, or retainer pay on account of his service as such a member; and

(3) a preference eligible employee who is a retired member of a uniformed service is considered a preference eligible only if—

(A) his retirement was based on disability—

(i) resulting from injury or disease received in line of duty as a direct result of armed conflict; or

(ii) caused by an instrumentality of war and incurred in the line of duty during a period of war as defined by sections 101 and 1101 of title 38;

(B) his service does not include twenty or more years of full-time active service, regardless of when performed but not including periods of active duty for training; or

(C) on November 30, 1964, he was employed in a position to which this subchapter applies and thereafter he continued to be so employed without a break in service of more than 30 days.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by this subsection and section 3504 of this title, this subchapter applies to each employee in or under an Executive agency. This subchapter does not apply to an employee whose appointment is required by Congress to be confirmed by, or made with the advice and consent of, the Senate or to a member of the Senior Executive Service or the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Drug Enforcement Administration Senior Executive Service.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 428; Pub. L. 94-183, §2(8), Dec. 31, 1975, 89 Stat. 1057; Pub. L. 95-454, title IV, §404(a), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1165; Pub. L. 100-325, §2(e), May 30, 1988, 102 Stat. 581; Pub. L. 102-83, §5(c)(2), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
(a)(1), (2) ...	5 U.S.C. 3101 (as applicable to 5 U.S.C. 861).	Aug. 19, 1964, Pub. L. 88-448, §101 (as applicable to §202), 78 Stat. 484.
(a)(3)	5 U.S.C. 861(b).	June 27, 1944, ch. 287, §12(b); added Aug. 19, 1964, Pub. L. 88-448, §202(4) (“(b)”), 78 Stat. 486.

In subsection (a), the definitions of “uniformed services” and “armed forces” are omitted as unnecessary in view of the definitions in section 2101. The definition of “civilian office” is omitted as unnecessary as subsection (b) of this section states the application of this subchapter.