

§ 519(b), Sept. 29, 1988, 102 Stat. 1972; Pub. L. 108-375, div. A, title V, § 534(a), (b), Oct. 28, 2004, 118 Stat. 1901; Pub. L. 109-364, div. A, title V, § 519(a)-(c), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2190, 2191; Pub. L. 111-383, div. A, title V, § 521, Jan. 7, 2011, 124 Stat. 4214; Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title V, § 503, Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1715; Pub. L. 114-92, div. A, title VIII, § 843, Nov. 25, 2015, 129 Stat. 915; Pub. L. 114-328, div. A, title V, § 510A, Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2111.)

### Editorial Notes

#### AMENDMENTS

2016—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 114-328, § 510A(a), amended par. (1) generally. Prior to amendment, par. (1) read as follows: “In this chapter, the term ‘joint matters’ means matters related to the achievement of unified action by integrated military forces in operations conducted across domains such as land, sea, or air, in space, or in the information environment, including matters relating to—

“(A) national military strategy;

“(B) strategic planning and contingency planning;

“(C) command and control of operations under unified command;

“(D) national security planning with other departments and agencies of the United States;

“(E) combined operations with military forces of allied nations; or

“(F) acquisition matters addressed by military personnel and covered under chapter 87 of this title.”

Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 114-328, § 510A(b), substituted “integrated forces” for “integrated military forces” and “achieving unified action with” for “the planning or execution (or both) of operations involving” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (b)(1)(A). Pub. L. 114-328, § 510A(c), added subpar. (A) and struck out former subpar. (A) which read as follows: “shall be limited to assignments in which the officer gains significant experience in joint matters; and”.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 114-328, § 510A(d), struck out subsec. (d). Text read as follows:

“(1) In this chapter, the term ‘critical occupational specialty’ means a military occupational specialty involving combat operations within the combat arms, in the case of the Army, or the equivalent arms, in the case of the Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps, that the Secretary of Defense designates as critical.

“(2) At a minimum, the Secretary of Defense shall designate as a critical occupational specialty under paragraph (1) any military occupational specialty within a combat arms (or the equivalent) that is experiencing a severe shortage of trained officers in that specialty, as determined by the Secretary.”

2015—Subsec. (a)(1)(F). Pub. L. 114-92 added subpar. (F).

2013—Subsec. (b)(1)(B). Pub. L. 112-239 substituted “student assignments for joint training and education” for “assignments for joint training and education, except an assignment as an instructor responsible for preparing and presenting courses in areas of the curricula designated in section 2155(c) of this title as part of a program designated by the Secretary of Defense as joint professional military education Phase II”.

2011—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 111-383, § 521(1)(A), substituted “integrated” for “multiple” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (a)(1)(D). Pub. L. 111-383, § 521(1)(B), substituted “or” for “and”.

Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 111-383, § 521(2), added par. (2) and struck out former par. (2), which read as follows: “In the context of joint matters, the term ‘multiple military forces’ refers to forces that involve participants from the armed forces and one or more of the following:

“(A) Other departments and agencies of the United States.

“(B) The military forces or agencies of other countries.

“(C) Non-governmental persons or entities.”

2006—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 109-364, § 519(a), amended heading and text of subsec. (a) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “In this chapter, the term ‘joint matters’ means matters relating to the integrated employment of land, sea, and air forces, including matters relating to—

“(1) national military strategy;

“(2) strategic planning and contingency planning; and

“(3) command and control of combat operations under unified command.”

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 109-364, § 519(b), substituted provisions limiting the definition of “joint duty assignment” to assignments in which the officer gains significant experience in joint matters and excluding assignments for joint training and education, except an assignment as an instructor responsible for courses as part of a program designated as joint professional military education Phase II, for provisions limiting the definition of “joint duty assignment” to assignments in which the officer gains significant experience in joint matters and excluding assignments for joint training or joint education and assignments within an officer’s own military department.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 109-364, § 519(c), added subsec. (d).

2004—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 108-375, § 534(a), substituted “a joint duty assignment list” for “a list” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 108-375, § 534(b), struck out “within the same organization” before “without a break”.

1988—Subsecs. (c), (f). Pub. L. 100-456 redesignated subsec. (f) as (c).

1987—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 100-180, § 1302(c)(1), inserted “and, of those positions, those that are positions held by general or flag officers and the number of such positions” in subpars. (A) and (B).

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 100-180, § 1303(b), added subsec. (f).

### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2006 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 109-364 effective Oct. 1, 2007, see section 519(e) of Pub. L. 109-364, set out as a note under section 664 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2004 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 108-375, div. A, title V, § 534(c), Oct. 28, 2004, 118 Stat. 1901, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (b) [amending this section] shall not apply in the case of a joint duty assignment completed by an officer before the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 28, 2004], except in the case of an officer who has continued in joint duty assignments, without a break in service in such assignments, between the end of such assignment and the date of the enactment of this Act.”

#### PUBLICATION OF REVISED JOINT DUTY ASSIGNMENT LIST

Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title XIII, § 1302(c)(2), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1170, directed the Secretary of Defense to publish a revised list under subsec. (b)(2) of this section not later than six months after Dec. 4, 1987, which would take into account the amendments to this section and section 661 of this title made by Pub. L. 100-180, § 1302.

#### TRANSITION TO JOINT OFFICER PERSONNEL POLICY

The list of positions required to be published by subsec. (b)(2) of this section to be published not later than six months after Oct. 1, 1986, see section 406(a)(2) of Pub. L. 99-433, set out as a note under section 661 of this title.

### CHAPTER 39—ACTIVE DUTY

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- 671a. Members: service extension during war.
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- 688. Retired members: authority to order to active duty; duties.
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- 689. Retired members: grade in which ordered to active duty and upon release from active duty.
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- 691. Permanent end strength levels to support the National Defense Strategy.

**Editorial Notes**

AMENDMENTS

- 2021—Pub. L. 117–81, div. A, title X, §1081(a)(12), Dec. 27, 2021, 135 Stat. 1920, inserted period at end of item 691.
- Pub. L. 116–283, div. A, title IV, §402(b), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3556, added item 691 and struck out former item 691 “Permanent end strength levels to support two major regional contingencies”.
- 2013—Pub. L. 113–66, div. A, title XVII, §1713(b), Dec. 26, 2013, 127 Stat. 964, added item 674.
- 2011—Pub. L. 112–81, div. A, title V, §582(b), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1432, added item 673.
- 2006—Pub. L. 109–364, div. A, title VI, §621(d)(2)(B), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2255, substituted “Retired members: temporary authority to order to active duty in high-demand, low-density assignments” for “Retired aviators: temporary authority to order to active duty” in item 688a.
- 2002—Pub. L. 107–314, div. A, title V, §503(a)(2), Dec. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2530, added item 688a.
- 1996—Pub. L. 104–201, div. A, title V, §521(c), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2517, added items 688, 689, and 690 and struck out former item 688 “Retired members”.
- Pub. L. 104–106, div. A, title IV, §401(b)(2), title XV, §1501(c)(7), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 286, 499, struck out items 687 “Ready Reserve: muster duty” and 690 “Limitation on duty with Reserve Officer Training Corps units” and added item 691.
- 1994—Pub. L. 103–337, div. A, title XVI, §1671(b)(7), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 3013, substituted “Reference to chapter 1209” for “Reserve components generally” in item 672 and struck out former items 673 to 686 and 689.
- 1991—Pub. L. 102–190, div. A, title X, §1061(a)(4)(B), Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1472, substituted “Corps” for “Corp” in item 690.
- Pub. L. 102–25, title VII, §701(e)(3), Apr. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 114, transferred item 687 “Limitation on duty with Reserve Officer Training Corp units” to appear after item 689 and redesignated that item as 690.
- 1990—Pub. L. 101–510, div. A, title V, §559(a)(2), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1571, added item 687 “Limitation on duty with Reserve Officer Training Corp units”.
- 1989—Pub. L. 101–189, div. A, title V, §502(a)(2), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1436, added item 687.
- 1987—Pub. L. 100–180, div. A, title XII, §1231(4), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1160, amended analysis by transferring item 686 from the end to a position immediately below item 685.
- 1986—Pub. L. 99–661, div. A, title IV, §412(b)(2), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3862, added item 686 at end of analysis.

- 1983—Pub. L. 98–94, title X, §§1017(b)(4), 1021(b), Sept. 24, 1983, 97 Stat. 669, 670, substituted “Retired members” for “Regular components: retired members” in item 688, and added item 673c.
- 1980—Pub. L. 96–513, title V, §501(8), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2907, struck out item 687 “Non-Regulars: readjustment payment upon involuntary release from active duty” and added items 688 and 689.
- 1979—Pub. L. 96–107, title III, §303(a)(2), Nov. 9, 1979, 93 Stat. 806, struck out item 686 “Reports to Congress”.
- 1976—Pub. L. 94–286, §1, May 14, 1976, 90 Stat. 517, added item 673b.
- 1968—Pub. L. 90–235, §1(a)(1)(B), Jan. 2, 1968, 81 Stat. 753, added items 671a and 671b.
- 1967—Pub. L. 90–40, §6(2), June 30, 1967, 81 Stat. 106, added item 673a.
- 1962—Pub. L. 87–651, title I, §102(b), Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 508, added item 687.
- 1958—Pub. L. 85–861, §1(16), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1441, added items 684 and 685.

**§ 671. Members not to be assigned outside United States before completing training**

(a) A member of the armed forces may not be assigned to active duty on land outside the United States and its territories and possessions until the member has completed the basic training requirements of the armed force of which he is a member.

(b) In time of war or a national emergency declared by Congress or the President, the period of required basic training (or its equivalent) may not (except as provided in subsection (c)) be less than 12 weeks.

(c)(1) A period of basic training (or equivalent training) shorter than 12 weeks may be established by the Secretary concerned for members of the armed forces who have been credentialed in a medical profession or occupation and are serving in a health-care occupational specialty, as determined under regulations prescribed under paragraph (2). Any such period shall be established under regulations prescribed under paragraph (2) and may be established notwithstanding section 4(a) of the Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. 3803(a)).

(2) The Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of Homeland Security with respect to the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a service in the Navy, shall prescribe regulations for the purposes of paragraph (1). The regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense shall apply uniformly to the military departments.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 27; Pub. L. 94–106, title VIII, §802(b), Oct. 7, 1975, 89 Stat. 537; Pub. L. 99–661, div. A, title V, §501, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3863; Pub. L. 103–160, div. A, title V, §511, Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1648; Pub. L. 107–296, title XVII, §1704(b)(1), Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2314; Pub. L. 114–328, div. A, title X, §1081(b)(1)(A)(v), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2418.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
671 .....	50 App.454(a) (words between semicolon and proviso of 6th par.)	June 24, 1948, ch. 625, §4(a) (words between semicolon and proviso of 6th par.); restated June 19, 1951, ch. 144, §1(d) (words between semicolon and proviso of 6th par.), 65 Stat. 78.

The words “four months of basic training or its equivalent” are substituted for the words “the equiva-