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1612. Merit system principles and civil service protections: applicability.

1613. Miscellaneous provisions.

1614. Definitions.

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#### AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104–201, div. A, title XVI, §1632(a)(3), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2745, added table of sections for subchapter and struck out former table of sections consisting of items 1601 "Defense Intelligence Senior Executive Service", 1602 "Defense Intelligence Agency merit pay system", 1603 "Limit on pay", 1604 "Civilian personnel management", 1605 "Benefits for certain employees of the Defense Intelligence Agency", 1606 "Uniform allowance: civilian employees", and 1608 "Financial assistance to certain employees in acquisition of critical skills".

1994—Pub. L. 103-359, title V, \$501(b)(1)(A), Oct. 14, 1994, 108 Stat. 3428, amended chapter heading generally, inserting "AND CENTRAL IMAGERY OFFICE".

1989—Pub. L. 101–193, title V,  $\S507(a)(2)$ , Nov. 30, 1989, 103 Stat. 1710, added item 1608.

1987—Pub. L. 100–178, title VI, 601(b), Dec. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 1015, added item 1606.

1985—Pub. L. 99–145, title XIII, §1302(a)(2), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 737, redesignated item 192 of chapter 8 of this title as item 1605 and transferred it to this chapter.

1984—Pub. L. 98–618, title V,  $\S501(b)$ , Nov. 8, 1984, 98 Stat. 3302, added item 1604.

# § 1601. Civilian intelligence personnel: general authority to establish excepted positions, appoint personnel, and fix rates of pay

- (a) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense may—
  - (1) establish, as positions in the excepted service, such defense intelligence positions in the Department of Defense as the Secretary determines necessary to carry out the intelligence functions of the Department, including—
    - (A) Intelligence Senior Level positions designated under section 1607 of this title; and
    - (B) positions in the Defense Intelligence Senior Executive Service;
  - (2) appoint individuals to those positions (after taking into consideration the availability of preference eligibles for appointment to those positions); and
  - (3) fix the compensation of such individuals for service in those positions.
- (b) Construction With Other Laws.—The authority of the Secretary of Defense under subsection (a) applies without regard to the provisions of any other law relating to the appointment, number, classification, or compensation of employees.

(Added Pub. L. 104–201, div. A, title XVI, §1632(a)(3), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2746; amended Pub. L. 106–398, §1 [[div. A], title XI, §1141(a)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A–318.)

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# PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1601, added Pub. L. 97–89, title VII,  $\S701(a)(1)$ , Dec. 4, 1981, 95 Stat. 1159; amended Pub. L. 101–194, title V,  $\S506(c)(3)$ , Nov. 30, 1989, 103 Stat. 1759; Pub. L. 101–280,  $\S6(d)(4)$ , May 4, 1990, 104 Stat. 161; Pub. L. 101–510, div. A, title XIV,  $\S1484(l)(5)$ , Nov. 5, 1990, 104

Stat. 1720; Pub. L. 103–359, title V, \$501(b)(1)(B), Oct. 14, 1994, 108 Stat. 3428, related to the Defense Intelligence Senior Executive Service, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVI, \$1632(a)(3), 1635, Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2745, 2752, effective Oct. 1, 1996. See section 1606 of this title.

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

#### AMENDMENTS

2000—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 106–398, in introductory provisions, substituted "in the Department of Defense" for "in the intelligence components of the Department of Defense and the military departments" and "of the Department" for "of those components and departments".

### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

#### 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.

#### SHORT TITLE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 104–201, div. A, title XVI, §1631, Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2745, provided that: "This subtitle [subtitle B (§§1631–1635) of title XVI of div. A of Pub. L. 104–201, enacting this section and sections 1602, 1603, 1606 to 1610, and 1612 to 1614 of this title, amending sections 1593, 1596, 1605, 1611, and 1621 of this title and sections 7103 and 7511 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, renumbering sections 1599, 1602, 1606, and 1608 of this title as sections 1611, 1621, 1622, and 1623 of this title, respectively, repealing sections 1590, 1601, 1603, and 1604 of this title and section 833 of Title 50, War and National Defense, enacting provisions set out as a note under section 1593 of this title, and repealing provisions set out as a note under section 402 of Title 50] may be cited as the 'Department of Defense Civilian Intelligence Personnel Policy Act of 1996'."

#### DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Pub. L. 97-89, title VII, §701(b), Dec. 4, 1981, 95 Stat. 1160, provided that: "The authority of the Secretary of Defense under chapter 83 of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a), may be delegated in accordance with section 133(d) [now 113(d)] of title 10, United States Code."

# PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE DEFENSE CIVILIAN INTELLIGENCE PERSONNEL SYSTEM

Pub. L. 111–84, div. A, title XI, §1114, Oct. 28, 2009, 123 Stat. 2504, provided that:

"(a) SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN PAY AUTHORITY.—Effective with respect to amounts paid during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 28, 2009] and ending on December 31, 2010, rates of basic pay for employees and positions within any element of the intelligence community (as defined by the National Security Act of 1947 [50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.])—

"(1) may not be fixed under the Defense Civilian Intelligence Personnel System; and

"(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.—