after Oct. 28, 2004, see section 501(g) of Pub. L. 108-375, set out as a note under section 531 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title VII, §741(c), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2600, provided that: "The amendments made by this section [amending this section and section 2123of this title] shall apply with respect to individuals who first become members of the Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship and Financial Assistance program or students of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences on or after October 1, 1996."

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1993 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title VII, §732(b), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1697, provided that: "The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply with respect to students attending the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences on or after the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 30, 1993].

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title V, §533(d), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1564, provided that: "The amendment made by subsection (b) [amending this section] shall take effect on December 31, 1991, and shall apply to persons who are first admitted to the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences after that date.'

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1989 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 101–189, div. A, title V,  $\S511(e)$ , Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1439, as amended by Pub. L. 101–510, div. A, title V,  $\S533(e)$ , Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1564, provided that: "The amendments made by this section [amending this section and sections 4348, 6959, and 9348 of this title] shall apply to persons who are first admitted to one of the military service academies after December 31, 1991.

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by section 114 of Pub. L. 96-513 effective Sept. 15, 1981, but the authority to prescribe regulations under the amendment by Pub. L. 96-513 effective on Dec. 12, 1980, see section 701 of Pub. L. 96-513, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

Amendment by section 511(65) of Pub. L. 96-513 effective Dec. 12, 1980, see section 701(b)(3) of Pub. L. 96-513.

# TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of authority of Board of Regents of Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences to Secretary of Defense, see section 8091 of Pub. L. 101-511, set out as a note under section 2113 of this title.

# Transition Provisions

Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title VII, §741(d)(2), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2600, provided that: "In the case of any person who, as of October 1, 1996, is serving an activeduty service obligation as a graduate of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences or is incurring an active-duty service obligation as a student of the University, and who is subsequently relieved of the active-duty service obligation before the completion of the obligation, the alternative obligations authorized by the amendment made by subsection (b) [amending this section] may be implemented by the Secretary of Defense with the agreement of the person.'

# §2115. Graduates: limitation on number permitted to perform civilian Federal service

The Secretary of Defense may allow not more than 20 percent of the graduates of each class at the University to perform civilian Federal service for not less than seven years following the completion of their professional education in lieu of active duty in a uniformed service if the needs of the uniformed services do not require

that such graduates perform active duty in a uniformed service and as long as the Secretary of Defense does not recall such persons to active duty in the uniformed services. Such persons who execute an agreement in writing to perform such civilian Federal service may be released from active duty following the completion of their professional education. The location and type of their duty shall be determined by the Secretary of Defense after consultation with the heads of Federal agencies concerned.

(Added Pub. L. 92–426, §2(a), Sept. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 716; amended Pub. L. 96-107, title VIII, §803(c)(1), (2), Nov. 9, 1979, 93 Stat. 812.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

## AMENDMENTS

1979—Pub. L. 96–107, \$803(c)(2), substituted "permitted" for "electing" and "service" for "duty" in section catchline.

Pub. L. 96-107, §803(c)(1), substituted provisions respecting authority of the Secretary of Defense to allow graduates to perform civilian Federal service and the execution of agreements for such service as pre-requisites for release from active duty following completion of education, for provisions relating to limitations on the number of graduates electing to perform civilian Federal duty, agreements respecting such service, and release from active duty upon completion of their education.

#### § 2116. Military nursing research

- (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
  (1) The term "military nursing research" means research on the furnishing of care and
- services by nurses in the armed forces.
  (2) The term "TriService Nursing Research Program" means the program of military nursing research authorized under this sec-
- (b) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of Defense may establish at the University a program of military nursing research.
- GROUP.—The TRISERVICE RESEARCH TriService Nursing Research Program shall be administered by a TriService Nursing Research Group composed of Army, Navy, and Air Force nurses who are involved in military nursing research and are designated by the Secretary concerned to serve as members of the group.
- (d) DUTIES OF GROUP.—The TriService Nursing Research Group shall-
  - (1) develop for the Department of Defense recommended guidelines for requesting, reviewing, and funding proposed military nursing research projects; and
  - (2) make available to Army, Navy, and Air Force nurses and Department of Defense officials concerned with military nursing research-
    - (A) information about nursing research projects that are being developed or carried out in the Army, Navy, and Air Force; and
    - (B) expertise and information beneficial to the encouragement of meaningful nursing research.
- (e) RESEARCH TOPICS.—For purposes of this section, military nursing research includes research on the following issues:
  - (1) Issues regarding how to improve the results of nursing care and services provided in the armed forces in time of peace.