

§§ 1844(b)(1), 1845(b), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4245, 4247; Pub. L. 117–81, div. A, title XVIII, § 1701(u)(5)(B), (6)(B), Dec. 27, 2021, 135 Stat. 2154.)

Sec. 4204. Milestone decision authority.
4205. Weapon systems for which procurement funding requested in budget: development and procurement schedules.

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2021—Pub. L. 116–283, § 1845(b), as amended by Pub. L. 117–81, § 1701(u)(6)(B), renumbered section 2681 of this title as this section.

Pub. L. 116–283, § 1844(b)(1), which directed the renumbering of section 2681 of this title as section 4144 of this title instead of this section, was repealed by Pub. L. 117–81, § 1701(u)(5)(B).

1998—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 105–261, § 820(a), struck out heading and text of subsec. (g). Text read as follows: “The authority provided to the Secretary of Defense by subsection (a) shall terminate on September 30, 2002.”

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 105–261, § 820(b), struck out heading and text of subsec. (h). Text read as follows: “Not later than March 1, 1998, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on National Security of the House of Representatives a report identifying existing and proposed procedures to ensure that the use of Major Range and Test Facility Installations by commercial entities does not compete with private sector test and evaluation services.”

1997—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 105–85, § 842(a), substituted “2002” for “1998”.

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 105–85, § 842(b), amended subsec. (h) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (h) read as follows:

“(h) REPORT.—Not later than January 1, 1998, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report describing the number and purposes of contracts entered into under subsection (a) and evaluating the extent to which the authority under this section is exercised to open Major Range and Test Facility Installations to commercial test and evaluation activities.”

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2021 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 117–81 applicable as if included in the enactment of title XVIII of Pub. L. 116–283 as enacted, see section 1701(a)(2) of Pub. L. 117–81, set out in a note preceding section 3001 of this title and note below.

Amendment by Pub. L. 116–283 effective Jan. 1, 2022, with additional provisions for delayed implementation and applicability of existing law, see section 1801(d) of Pub. L. 116–283, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

Subpart F—Major Systems, Major Defense Acquisition Programs, and Weapon Systems Development

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PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior subpart F “Special Categories of Contracting: Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation”, consisting of chapters 321 to 329, was repealed by Pub. L. 116–283, div. A, title XVIII, § 1841(a)(1)(A), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4242.

CHAPTER 321—GENERAL MATTERS

Sec. 4201. Major defense acquisition programs: definition; exceptions.
4202. Authority to increase definitional threshold amounts: major defense acquisition programs; major systems.
4203. Major subprograms.

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PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior chapter 321 “RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT GENERALLY”, consisting of reserved section 4201, was repealed by Pub. L. 116–283, div. A, title XVIII, § 1841(a)(1)(A), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4242.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

PENALTY FOR COST OVERRUNS

Pub. L. 114–92, div. A, title VIII, § 828, Nov. 25, 2015, 129 Stat. 910, as amended by Pub. L. 115–91, div. A, title VIII, § 825, Dec. 12, 2017, 131 Stat. 1466; Pub. L. 115–232, div. A, title X, § 1081(d), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1986; Pub. L. 116–92, div. A, title VIII, § 805(a), (b)(2), Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1485, provided that:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—For fiscal years 2018 and 2019, the Secretary of each military department shall pay a penalty for cost overruns on the covered major defense acquisition programs of the military department.

“(b) CALCULATION OF PENALTY.—For the purposes of this section:

“(1) The amount of the cost overrun on any major defense acquisition program or subprogram in a fiscal year is the difference between the current program acquisition unit cost for the program or subprogram and the program acquisition unit cost for the program as shown in the original Baseline Estimate for the program or subprogram, multiplied by the quantity of items to be purchased under the program or subprogram, as reported in the final Selected Acquisition Report for the fiscal year in accordance with section 2432 of title 10, United States Code [now 10 U.S.C. 4351].

“(2) Cost overruns for covered major defense acquisition programs that are joint programs of more than one military department shall be allocated among the military departments in percentages determined by the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment.

“(3) The cumulative amount of cost overruns for a military department in a fiscal year is the sum of the cost overruns for all covered major defense acquisition programs of the department in the fiscal year (including cost overruns allocated to the military department in accordance with paragraph (2)).

“(4) The cost overrun penalty for a military department in a fiscal year is three percent of the cumulative amount of cost overruns of the military department in the fiscal year, as determined pursuant to paragraph (3).

“(c) TOTAL COST OVERRUN PENALTY.—Notwithstanding the amount of a cost overrun penalty determined in subsection (b), the total cost overrun penalty for a military department (including any cost overrun penalty for joint programs of military departments) for a fiscal year may not exceed \$50,000,000.

“(d) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—

“(1) REDUCTION OF RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION OR PROCUREMENT ACCOUNTS.—Not later than 60 days after the end of each fiscal years 2018 through 2022, the Secretary of each military department shall reduce the research, development, test, and evaluation or procurement accounts of the military department by the amount determined under paragraph (2), and remit such amount to the Secretary of Defense.

“(2) DETERMINATION OF AMOUNTS.—The reductions to research, development, test, and evaluation or procurement accounts of a military department referred to in paragraph (1) are the reductions to such accounts necessary to equal, when combined, the cost