

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2021 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 116-315, title II, §2201(e), Jan. 5, 2021, 134 Stat. 4983, provided that: "The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect on the date that is two years after the date of the enactment of this Act [Jan. 5, 2021]."

Amendment by section 2202(b)(1)(C) of Pub. L. 116-315 applicable to deaths that occur on or after the date that is two years after Jan. 5, 2021, see section 2202(d) of Pub. L. 116-315, set out as a note under section 113 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2013 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 112-260 effective on the date that is one year after Jan. 10, 2013, and applicable with respect to burials and funerals occurring on or after that date, see section 104(b)(3) of Pub. L. 112-260, set out as a note under section 2302 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1976, see section 406 of Pub. L. 94-433, set out as an Effective Date of 1976 Amendment note under section 1101 of this title.

CHAPTER 24—NATIONAL CEMETERIES AND MEMORIALS

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AMENDMENTS

2021—Pub. L. 116-315, title II, §2205(b)(2), Jan. 5, 2021, 134 Stat. 4987, inserted ", counties, and tribal organizations" after "States" in item 2408.

2013—Pub. L. 112-260, title I, §103(b), Jan. 10, 2013, 126 Stat. 2420, added item 2414.

2012—Pub. L. 112-154, title VI, §§601(c)(2), 602(b), Aug. 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 1199, 1200, added items 2410A and 2413 and struck out former item 2413 "Prohibition on certain demonstrations at cemeteries under control of the National Cemetery Administration and at Arlington National Cemetery".

2006—Pub. L. 109-228, §2(a)(2), May 29, 2006, 120 Stat. 388, added item 2413.

2004—Pub. L. 108-454, title VI, §602(b), Dec. 10, 2004, 118 Stat. 3624, added item 2412.

1998—Pub. L. 105-368, title IV, §403(c)(4), (d)(1), Nov. 11, 1998, 112 Stat. 3338, 3339, substituted "Administration; composition of Administration" for "System; composition of such system; appointment of director" in item 2400 and "Administration" for "System" in item 2411.

1997—Pub. L. 105-116, §1(b), Nov. 21, 1997, 111 Stat. 2382, added item 2411.

1991—Pub. L. 102-83, §5(b)(1), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406, renumbered items 1000 to 1010 as 2400 to 2410, respectively.

1989—Pub. L. 101-237, title V, §502(b), Dec. 18, 1989, 103 Stat. 2093, added item 1010.

1986—Pub. L. 99-576, title IV, §413(b), Oct. 28, 1986, 100 Stat. 3284, added item 1009.

1978—Pub. L. 95-476, title II, §202(b)(2), Oct. 18, 1978, 92 Stat. 1505, added item 1008.

§2400. Establishment of National Cemetery Administration; composition of Administration

(a) There shall be within the Department a National Cemetery Administration responsible for the interment of deceased servicemembers and veterans. The National Cemetery Administration shall be headed by the Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs, who shall perform such functions as may be assigned by the Secretary.

(b) The national cemeteries and other facilities under the control of the National Cemetery Administration shall consist of—

(1) national cemeteries transferred from the Department of the Army to the Veterans' Administration by the National Cemeteries Act of 1973;

(2) cemeteries under the jurisdiction of the Veterans' Administration on the date of enactment of this chapter; and

(3) any other cemetery, memorial, or monument transferred to the Veterans' Administration by the National Cemeteries Act of 1973, or later acquired or developed by the Secretary.

(Added Pub. L. 93-43, §2(a), June 18, 1973, 87 Stat. 75, §1000; amended Pub. L. 99-576, title VII, §701(52), Oct. 28, 1986, 100 Stat. 3295; Pub. L. 100-527, §13(i), Oct. 25, 1988, 102 Stat. 2644; Pub. L. 101-237, title III, §313(b)(1), Dec. 18, 1989, 103 Stat. 2077; renumbered §2400 and amended Pub. L. 102-83, §§4(a)(3), (4), 5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404, 406; Pub. L. 105-368, title IV, §403(c)(3), Nov. 11, 1998, 112 Stat. 3338.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

The National Cemeteries Act of 1973, referred to in subsec. (b)(1), (3), is Pub. L. 93-43, June 18, 1973, 87 Stat. 75, as amended, which is classified principally to this chapter (§2400 et seq.). For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 1 of Pub. L. 93-43 set out as a Short Title of 1973 Amendment note under section 101 of this title and Tables.

For national cemeteries transferred from the Department of the Army to the Veterans' Administration by the National Cemeteries Act of 1973, and any other cemetery, memorial, or monument transferred to the Veterans' Administration by the National Cemeteries Act of 1973, referred to in subsec. (b)(1), (3), see Transfer of Functions note set out under section 2404 of this title.

The date of enactment of this chapter, referred to in subsec. (b)(2), is the date of enactment of Pub. L. 93-43, which was approved June 18, 1973.