any individual applying for a license, any relevant training received by such individual while serving as a member of the armed forces, for the purpose of satisfying the requirements for such license.

"(b) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this Act-

"(1) the term 'license' means a license, certification, or other grant of permission to engage in a particular activity;

"(2) the term 'Federal licensing authority' means a department, agency, or other entity of the Government having authority to issue a license;

"(3) the term 'armed forces' has the meaning given such term by section 2101(2) of title 5, United States Code: and

"(4) the term 'Government' means the Government of the United States.

"SEC. 3. REGULATIONS.

"The head of each Federal licensing authority shall—"(1) with respect to any license a licensing authority grants or is empowered to grant as of the date of enactment of this Act [July 23, 2012], prescribe any

regulations necessary to carry out this Act not later

than 180 days after such date; and

"(2) with respect to any license of a licensing authority not constituted or not empowered to grant the license as of the date of enactment of this Act, prescribe any regulations necessary to carry out this Act not later than 180 days after the date on which the agency is so constituted or empowered, as the case may be."

§ 4115. Longitudinal study of job counseling, training, and placement service for veterans

- (a) STUDY REQUIRED.—(1) The Secretary shall enter into a contract with a non-government entity to conduct a longitudinal study of a statistically valid sample of each of the groups of individuals described in paragraph (2). The contract shall provide for the study of each such group over a period of at least 5 years.
- (2) The groups of individuals described in this paragraph are the following:
 - (A) Veterans who have received intensive services.
- (B) Veterans who did not receive intensive services but who otherwise received services under this chapter.
- (C) Veterans who did not seek or receive services under this chapter.
- (3) The study required by this subsection shall include the collection of the following information for each individual who participates in the study:
 - (A) The average number of months such individual served on active duty.
 - (B) The disability ratings of such individual.
 - (C) Any unemployment benefits received by such individual.
 - (D) The average number of months such individual was employed during the year covered by the report.
 - (E) The average annual starting and ending salaries of any such individual who was employed during the year covered by the report.
 - (F) The average annual income of such individual.
 - (G) The average total household income of such individual for the year covered by the report.
 - (H) The percentage of such individuals who own their principal residences.
 - (I) The employment status of such individual.

- (J) In the case of such an individual who received services under this chapter, whether the individual believes that any service provided by a disabled veterans' outreach program specialist or local veterans' employment representative helped the individual to become employed.
- (K) In the case of such an individual who believes such a service helped the individual to become employed, whether—
 - (i) the individual retained the position of employment for a period of 1 year or longer; and
 - (ii) the individual believes such a service helped the individual to secure a higher wage or salary.
- (L) The conditions under which such individual was discharged or released from the Armed Forces.
- (M) Whether such individual has used any educational assistance to which the individual is entitled under this title.
- (N) Whether such individual has participated in a rehabilitation program under chapter 31 of this title.
- (O) Whether such individual had contact with a One-Stop Career Center employee while attending a workshop or job fair under the Transition GPS Program of the Department of Defense.
- (P) Demographic information about such individual.
- (Q) Such other information as the Secretary determines appropriate.
- (b) ANNUAL REPORT.—(1) By not later than July 1 of each year covered by the study required under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representatives a report on the outcomes of the study during the preceding year.
- (2) The Secretary shall include in each report submitted under paragraph (1) the following:
 - (A) Information with respect to job fairs attended by One-Stop Career Center employees at which the employees had contact with a veteran, including, for the year preceding the year in which the report is submitted, the following:
 - (i) The number of job fairs attended by One-Stop Career Center employees at which the employees had contact with a veteran.
 - (ii) The number of veterans contacted at each such job fair.
 - (B) Such information as the Secretary determines is necessary to determine the long-term outcomes of the individuals in the groups described in subsection (a)(2).

(Added Pub. L. 114–315, title V, §502(a), Dec. 16, 2016, 130 Stat. 1566.)

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AMENDMENTS

2002—Pub. L. 107–288, $\S2(a)(2)$, Nov. 7, 2002, 116 Stat. 2034, added item 4215.

1991—Pub. L. 102-83, §5(b)(1), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406, renumbered items 2011 to 2014 as 4211 to 4214, respectively.

Pub. L. 102-16, \$9(c)(1), Mar. 22, 1991, 105 Stat. 55, struck out "DISABLED AND VIETNAM ERA" before "VETERANS" in chapter heading.

1980—Pub. L. 96-466, title VIII, §801(k)(2)(B), Oct. 17, 1980, 94 Stat. 2217, substituted "Federal employment and" for "certain Federal manpower" in item 2013.

1974—Pub. L. 93–508, title IV, $\S403(b)$, Dec. 3, 1974, 88 Stat. 1594, added item 2014.

§ 4211. Definitions

As used in this chapter—

- (1) The term "special disabled veteran" means—
 - (A) a veteran who is entitled to compensation (or who but for the receipt of military retired pay would be entitled to compensation) under laws administered by the Secretary for a disability (i) rated at 30 percent or more, or (ii) rated at 10 or 20 percent in the case of a veteran who has been determined under section 3106 of this title to have a serious employment handicap; or
- (B) a person who was discharged or released from active duty because of service-connected disability.
- (2) The term "veteran of the Vietnam era" means an eligible veteran any part of whose active military, naval, or air service was during the Vietnam era.
- (3) The term "disabled veteran" means (A) a veteran who is entitled to compensation (or who but for the receipt of military retired pay would be entitled to compensation) under laws administered by the Secretary, or (B) a person who was discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability.
- (4) The term "eligible veteran" means a person who—
 - (A) served on active duty for a period of more than 180 days and was discharged or released therefrom with other than a dishonorable discharge;
 - (B) was discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability;
 - (C) as a member of a reserve component under an order to active duty pursuant to section 12301(a), (d), or (g), 12302, or 12304 of title 10, served on active duty during a period of war or in a campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge is authorized and was discharged or released from such duty with other than a dishonorable discharge; or
 - (D) was discharged or released from active duty by reason of a sole survivorship discharge (as that term is defined in section 1174(i) of title 10).
- (5) The term "department or agency" means any agency of the Federal Government or the District of Columbia, including any Executive

agency as defined in section 105 of title 5 and the United States Postal Service and the Postal Regulatory Commission, and the term "department, agency, or instrumentality in the executive branch" includes the United States Postal Service and the Postal Regulatory Commission.

(6) The term "recently separated veteran" means any veteran during the three-year period beginning on the date of such veteran's discharge or release from active duty.

(Added Pub. L. 92-540, title V, §503(a), Oct. 24, 1972, 86 Stat. 1097, §2011; amended Pub. L. 94-502, title VI, §607(1), Oct. 15, 1976, 90 Stat. 2405; Pub. L. 96-466, title V, §508, Oct. 17, 1980, 94 Stat. 2206; Pub. L. 97-306, title III, §309, Oct. 14, 1982, 96 Stat. 1441; Pub. L. 98-223, title II, §206, Mar. 2, 1984, 98 Stat. 43; Pub. L. 101–237, title IV, §407(a)(2), Dec. 18, 1989, 103 Stat. 2082; Pub. L. 102-16, §1, Mar. 22, 1991, 105 Stat. 48; Pub. L. 102-54, §14(c)(9), June 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 285; renumbered §4211 and amended Pub. L. 102-83, §§ 4(a)(1), 5(a), (c)(1), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 403, 406; Pub. L. 102-127, §5, Oct. 10, 1991, 105 Stat. 622; Pub. L. 102-568, title V, §502, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4340; Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title XV, §1501(e)(2)(D), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 501; Pub. L. 106-419, title III, §322(c), Nov. 1, 2000, 114 Stat. 1855; Pub. L. 107-288, §2(b)(2)(D), Nov. 7, 2002, 116 Stat. 2036; Pub. L. 109-435, title VI, §604(f), Dec. 20, 2006, 120 Stat. 3242; Pub. L. 110-317, §6(b), Aug. 29, 2008, 122 Stat. 3528.)

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2008—Par. (4)(D). Pub. L. 110-317 added subpar. (D).

2006—Par. (5). Pub. L. 109–435 substituted "Postal Regulatory Commission" for "Postal Rate Commission" in two places.

2002—Par. (6). Pub. L. 107-288 substituted "three-year period" for "one-year period".

2000—Par. (6). Pub. L. 106-419 added par. (6).

1996—Par. (4)(C). Pub. L. 104–106 substituted "section 12301(a), (d), or (g), 12302, or 12304 of title 10" for "section 672(a), (d), or (g), 673, or 673b of title 10".

1992—Par. (2). Pub. L. 102–568 substituted "The term" for "(A) Subject to subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, the term" and struck out subpar. (B) which read as follows: "No veteran may be considered to be a veteran of the Vietnam era under this paragraph after December 31, 1994, except for purposes of section 4214 of this title."

1991—Pub. L. 102–83, 5(a), renumbered section 2011 of this title as this section.

Par. (1)(A). Pub. L. 102–83, $\S5(c)(1)$, substituted "3106" for "1506" in cl. (ii).

Pub. L. 102-83, §4(a)(1), substituted "laws administered by the Secretary" for "laws administered by the Veterans' Administration" in introductory provisions.

Par. (2)(B). Pub. L. 102-83, §5(c)(1), substituted "4214" for "2014".

Pub. L. 102-54 inserted comma before "except for purposes".

Pub. L. 102–16 substituted "1994" for "1991".

Par. (3). Pub. L. 102–83, §4(a)(1), substituted "laws administered by the Secretary" for "laws administered by the Veterans' Administration".

Par. (4). Pub. L. 102–127 amended par. (4) generally. Prior to amendment, par. (4) read as follows: "The term 'eligible veteran' means a person who (A) served on active duty for a period of more than 180 days and was discharged or released therefrom with other than a dishonorable discharge, or (B) was discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability."