# (c) Affect <sup>1</sup> of stay on fine or penalty

When a court grants a stay under this section, a fine or penalty shall not accrue on the obligation, liability, tax, or assessment for the period of compliance with the terms and conditions of the stay.

(Oct. 17, 1940, ch. 888, title VII, §701, as added Pub. L. 108-189, §1, Dec. 19, 2003, 117 Stat. 2860.)

## **Editorial Notes**

# CODIFICATION

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#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 701 of act Oct. 17, 1940, ch. 888, art. VII, as added Pub. L. 92-540, title V, §504(2), Oct. 24, 1972, 86 Stat. 1098; amended Pub. L. 102-12, §3, Mar. 18, 1991, 105 Stat. 34, related to power of attorney, prior to the general amendment of this Act by Pub. L. 108-189. See section 4022 of this title.

Provisions similar to this section were contained in section 700 of act Oct. 17, 1940, ch. 888, art. VII, as added Oct. 6, 1942, ch. 581, §18, 56 Stat. 777, prior to the general amendment of this Act by Pub. L. 108–189.

#### **Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

Effective Date

Section applicable to any case not final before Dec. 19, 2003, see section 3 of Pub. L. 108-189, set out as a note under section 3901 of this title.

## §4022. Power of attorney

### (a) Automatic extension

A power of attorney of a servicemember shall be automatically extended for the period the servicemember is in a missing status (as defined in section 551(2) of title 37) if the power of attorney—

(1) was duly executed by the servicemember—

(A) while in military service; or

(B) before entry into military service but after the servicemember—

(i) received a call or order to report for military service; or

(ii) was notified by an official of the Department of Defense that the person could receive a call or order to report for military service;

(2) designates the servicemember's spouse, parent, or other named relative as the servicemember's attorney in fact for certain, specified, or all purposes; and

(3) expires by its terms after the servicemember entered a missing status.

# (b) Limitation on power of attorney extension

A power of attorney executed by a servicemember may not be extended under subsection (a) if the document by its terms clearly indicates that the power granted expires on the date specified even though the servicemember, after the date of execution of the document, enters a missing status.

(Oct. 17, 1940, ch. 888, title VII, §702, as added Pub. L. 108-189, §1, Dec. 19, 2003, 117 Stat. 2861.)

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### PRIOR PROVISIONS

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#### **Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section applicable to any case not final before Dec. 19, 2003, see section 3 of Pub. L. 108-189, set out as a note under section 3901 of this title.

## §4023. Professional liability protection

# (a) Applicability

This section applies to a servicemember who— (1) after July 31, 1990, is ordered to active duty (other than for training) pursuant to sections 688, 12301(a), 12301(g), 12302, 12304, 12306, or 12307 of title 10 or who is ordered to active duty under section 12301(d) of such title during a period when members are on active duty pursuant to any of the preceding sections; and (2) immediately before receiving the order to

(2) immediately before receiving the order to active duty—

(A) was engaged in the furnishing of health-care or legal services or other services determined by the Secretary of Defense to be professional services; and

(B) had in effect a professional liability insurance policy that does not continue to cover claims filed with respect to the servicemember during the period of the servicemember's active duty unless the premiums are paid for such coverage for such period.

# (b) Suspension of coverage

# (1) Suspension

Coverage of a servicemember referred to in subsection (a) by a professional liability insurance policy shall be suspended by the insurance carrier in accordance with this subsection upon receipt of a written request from the servicemember by the insurance carrier.

#### (2) Premiums for suspended contracts

A professional liability insurance carrier— (A) may not require that premiums be paid by or on behalf of a servicemember for any professional liability insurance coverage

suspended pursuant to paragraph (1); and (B) shall refund any amount paid for coverage for the period of such suspension or, upon the election of such servicemember, apply such amount for the payment of any premium becoming due upon the reinstatement of such coverage.

# (3) Nonliability of carrier during suspension

A professional liability insurance carrier shall not be liable with respect to any claim

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>So in original. Probably should be "Effect".