

Oct. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 3341-82, 3341-161; Pub. L. 99-661, div. A, title IX, formerly title IV, §933, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3940, renumbered title IX, Pub. L. 100-26, §3(5), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 273; Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title VIII, §853(c)(2), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1518, related to education, training, and experience requirements for persons assigned as program managers of major defense acquisition programs, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XII, §1207(c)(1), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1665, effective Oct. 1, 1991.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-201 renumbered section 1606 of this title as this section.

1989—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 101-189 substituted “The maximum allowance provided under section 1593(b) of this title” for “\$360 per year”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1989 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101-189 effective Jan. 1, 1990, see section 336(c) of Pub. L. 101-189, set out as an Effective Date note under section 1593 of this title.

§ 1623. Financial assistance to certain employees in acquisition of critical skills

(a) The Secretary of Defense shall establish an undergraduate training program with respect to civilian employees of the Defense Intelligence Agency that is similar in purpose, conditions, content, and administration to the program which the Secretary of Defense is authorized to establish under section 16 of the National Security Agency Act of 1959 (50 U.S.C. 3614) for civilian employees of the National Security Agency.

(b) Any payments made by the Secretary to carry out the program required to be established by subsection (a) may be made in any fiscal year only to the extent that appropriated funds are available for that purpose.

(Added Pub. L. 101-193, title V, §507(a)(1), Nov. 30, 1989, 103 Stat. 1709, §1608; renumbered §1623, Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title XVI, §1632(a)(2), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2745; amended Pub. L. 113-291, div. A, title X, §1071(c)(9), Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3509.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1623, added Pub. L. 99-145, title IX, §924(a)(1), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 698; amended Pub. L. 99-661, div. A, title XIII, §1343(a)(10), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3993; Pub. L. 100-26, §7(j)(4), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 283; Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title VIII, §853(c)(3), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1519, related to education, training, and experience requirements for general and flag officers assigned to a procurement command, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XII, §1207(c)(3), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1665, effective Oct. 1, 1992.

A prior section 1624, added Pub. L. 99-145, title IX, §924(a)(1), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 698, required a training program for quality assurance personnel, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XII, §1207(c)(4), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1665; Pub. L. 102-190, div. A, title X, §1061(a)(26)(C)(i), Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1474, effective Oct. 1, 1993.

AMENDMENTS

2014—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 113-291 substituted “(50 U.S.C. 3614)” for “(50 U.S.C. 402 note)”.

1996—Pub. L. 104-201 renumbered section 1608 of this title as this section.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 101-193, title V, §507(b), Nov. 30, 1989, 103 Stat. 1710, provided that: “Section 1608 [now 1623] of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a), shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act [Nov. 30, 1989].”

CHAPTER 87—DEFENSE ACQUISITION WORKFORCE

Table with 2 columns: Subchapter and Sec. Subchapter I: General Authorities and Responsibilities 1701. Subchapter II: Acquisition Positions And Acquisition Workforce Career Fields 1721. Subchapter III: Critical Acquisition Positions 1731. Subchapter IV: Education and Training 1741. Subchapter V: General Management Provisions 1761.

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AMENDMENTS

2019—Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title VIII, §861(f)(3)(B), (j)(7)(B), Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1518, 1519, substituted “Acquisition Positions And Acquisition Workforce Career Fields” for “Defense Acquisition Positions” in item for subchapter II and “Critical Acquisition Positions” for “Acquisition Corps” in item for subchapter III.

1991—Pub. L. 102-25, title VII, §704(b)(1), Apr. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 119, made technical amendment to directory language of Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XII, §1202(a), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1638, which enacted this chapter.

SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL AUTHORITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Table with 2 columns: Sec. and Description. 1701. Management policies. 1701a. Management for acquisition workforce excellence. 1701b. Enhanced pay authority for certain acquisition and technology positions. 1702. Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment: authorities and responsibilities. [1703. Repealed.] 1704. Service acquisition executives: authorities and responsibilities. 1705. Department of Defense Acquisition Workforce Development Account. 1706. Government performance of certain acquisition functions. [1707. Repealed.]¹

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2021—Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title X, §1081(a)(30), title XI, §1114(b), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3872, 3895, added items 1701b and 1702 and struck out former item 1702 “Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics: authorities and responsibilities”.

2019—Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title X, §1010(a)(2)(B), Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1576, substituted “Department of Defense Acquisition Workforce Development Account” for “Department of Defense Acquisition Workforce Development Fund” in item 1705.

2013—Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title VIII, §824(a)(2), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1833, added item 1706.

2011—Pub. L. 111-383, div. A, title VIII, §871(b), Jan. 7, 2011, 124 Stat. 4300, added item 1701a.

2008—Pub. L. 110-181, div. A, title VIII, §852(a)(2), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 250, added item 1705.

¹New section 1707 enacted by Pub. L. 116-283 without corresponding amendment of subchapter analysis.

2003—Pub. L. 108-136, div. A, title VIII, §836(1), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1551, struck out items 1703 “Director of Acquisition Education, Training, and Career Development”, 1705 “Directors of Acquisition Career Management in the military departments”, 1706 “Acquisition career program boards”, and 1707 “Personnel in the Office of the Secretary of Defense and in the Defense Agencies”.

2001—Pub. L. 107-107, div. A, title X, §1048(b)(3)(B), Dec. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 1225, substituted “Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics: authorities and responsibilities” for “Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology: authorities and responsibilities” in item 1702.

1993—Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title IX, §904(d)(2), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1728, inserted “and Technology” after “Acquisition” in item 1702.

§ 1701. Management policies

(a) **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.**—The Secretary of Defense shall establish policies and procedures for the effective management (including accession, education, training, and career development) of persons serving in acquisition positions in the Department of Defense.

(b) **UNIFORM IMPLEMENTATION.**—The Secretary shall ensure that, to the maximum extent practicable, acquisition workforce policies and procedures established in accordance with this chapter are uniform in their implementation throughout the Department of Defense.

(Added Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XII, §1202(a), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1638.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XII, §1211, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1667, provided that: “Except as otherwise provided in this title [see Short Title note below], this title and the amendments made by this title, including chapter 87 of title 10, United States Code (as added by section 1202), shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 5, 1990].”

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XII, §1201, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1638, provided that: “This title [enacting this chapter, sections 5379 and 5380 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, and section 317 of Title 37, Pay and Allowances of the Uniformed Services, amending sections 101 and 2435 of this title and sections 4107, 4301, 5102, 5532, 5724, 5742, 5924, 5942, 8344, and 8468 of Title 5, repealing sections 1621 to 1624 of this title, enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and sections 1621 to 1623, 1705, 1721, 1722, 1724, 1733, 1734, 1746, 1761, 1762, and 2435 of this title, sections 3326, 5380, and 5532 of Title 5, and section 317 of Title 37, and repealing provisions set out as a note under section 2304 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act’.”

REGULATIONS

Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XII, §1210(a), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1667, provided that: “Unless otherwise provided in this title [see Short Title note above] and in subsection (b) [set out below], the Secretary of Defense shall promulgate regulations to implement this title and the amendments made by this title not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 5, 1990].”

ACQUISITION WORKFORCE INCENTIVES RELATING TO TRAINING ON, AND AGREEMENTS WITH, CERTAIN START-UP BUSINESSES

Pub. L. 117-263, div. A, title VIII, §834, Dec. 23, 2022, 136 Stat. 2713, provided that:

“(a) TRAINING.—

“(1) **CURRICULA.**—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 23, 2022], the Director of the Acquisition Innovation Research Center shall make recommendations on one or more curricula for members of the acquisition workforce on financing and operations of start-up businesses, which may include the development of new curricula, the modification of existing curricula, or the adoption of curricula from another agency, academia, or the private sector.

“(2) **ELEMENTS.**—Courses under curricula recommended under paragraph (1) shall be offered with varying course lengths and level of study.

“(3) **INCENTIVES.**—The Secretary of Defense shall develop a program to offer incentives to a member of the acquisition workforce that completes a curriculum developed, modified, or adopted under paragraph (1).

“(4) **ADDITIONAL TRAINING MATERIALS.**—In recommending curricula under paragraph (1), the Director of the Acquisition Innovation Research Center shall consider and incorporate appropriate training materials from university, college, trade-school, or private-sector curricula in business, law, or public policy.

“(b) EXCHANGES.—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot program under which the Secretary shall, in accordance with section 1599g of title 10, United States Code, arrange for the temporary assignment of—

“(A) one or more members of the acquisition workforce to a start-up business; or

“(B) an employee of a start-up business to an office of the Department of Defense.

“(2) **PRIORITY.**—The Secretary shall prioritize for participation in the pilot program described under paragraph (1)(A) members of the acquisition workforce who have completed a curriculum required under paragraph (1) [probably means par. (1) of subsection (a)].

“(3) **TERMINATION.**—The Secretary may not carry out the pilot program authorized by this subsection after the date that is three years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

“(c) **CONFERENCES.**—The Secretary of Defense shall identify existing conferences sponsored by the Department of Defense that might be expanded to include opportunities for sharing knowledge and best practices on software acquisition issues. Such opportunities shall maximize participation between members of the acquisition workforce, employees of start-up businesses, and investors in start-up businesses.

“(d) PILOT PROGRAM.—

“(1) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 23, 2022], the Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot program to test the feasibility of innovative approaches to negotiating and establishing intellectual property and data rights in agreements with start-up businesses for the procurement of software and software-embedded systems.

“(2) **AUTHORITY.**—To the maximum extent practicable, the Secretary shall—

“(A) ensure that a member of the acquisition workforce who has completed a curriculum required under subsection (a) is able to exercise authority to apply an approach described in paragraph (1); and

“(B) provide incentives to such member to exercise such authority.

“(3) **ELEMENTS.**—An approach described in paragraph (1) shall include the following:

“(A) Flexible and tailored requirements relating to the acquisition and licensing of intellectual property and data rights in the software and software-embedded systems to be acquired under the agreement.

“(B) An identification and definition of the technical interoperability standards required for such software and software-embedded systems.