

(d) AGREEMENT.—The agreement referred to in subsection (a) shall provide that, consistent with the needs of the uniformed service concerned, the person executing the agreement shall be assigned to duty, for the period of obligated service covered by the agreement, as a pharmacy officer in the Medical Service Corps of the Army or Navy, a biomedical sciences officer in the Air Force designated as a pharmacy officer, or a pharmacy officer of the Public Health Service.

(e) REPAYMENT.—(1) An officer who receives a payment under subsection (a) and who fails to become and remain licensed as a pharmacist during the period for which the payment is made shall refund to the United States an amount equal to the full amount of such payment.

(2) An officer who voluntarily terminates service on active duty before the end of the period agreed to be served under subsection (a) shall refund to the United States an amount that bears the same ratio to the amount paid to the officer as the unserved part of such period bears to the total period agreed to be served.

(3) An obligation to reimburse the United States under paragraph (1) or (2) is for all purposes a debt owed to the United States.

(4) A discharge in bankruptcy under title 11 that is entered less than 5 years after the termination of an agreement under this section does not discharge the person signing such agreement from a debt arising under such agreement or this subsection. This paragraph applies to any case commenced under title 11 after the date of the enactment of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001.

(Added Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title VI, §628(a)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-154; amended Pub. L. 107-314, div. A, title X, §1062(c)(1), Dec. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2650.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The date of the enactment of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (e)(4), is the date of enactment of Pub. L. 106-398, which was approved Oct. 30, 2000.

#### AMENDMENTS

2002—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 107-314 substituted “subsection (d)” for “subsection (c)”.

#### SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 303a, 324 of this title.

### § 303. Special pay: veterinarians

(a) MONTHLY SPECIAL PAY.—Each of the following officers is entitled to special pay at the rate of \$100 a month for each month of active duty:

(1) A commissioned officer—

(A) of the Regular Army who is in the Veterinary Corps;

(B) of the Regular Air Force who is an officer in the Biomedical Sciences Corps and holds a degree in veterinary medicine; or

(C) who is a veterinary officer of the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service.

(2) A commissioned officer—

(A) of a Reserve component of the Army who is in the Veterinary Corps of the Army;

(B) of a reserve component of the Air Force, of the Army or the Air Force without specification of component, or of the National Guard, who—

(i) is designated as a veterinary officer; or

(ii) is an officer in the Biomedical Sciences Corps of the Air Force and holds a degree in veterinary medicine; or

(C) who is a veterinary officer of the Reserve Corps of the Public Health Service,

who is on active duty as a result of a call or order to active duty for a period of at least one year.

(3) A general officer of the Army or the Air Force appointed, from any of the categories named in clause (1) or (2), in the Army, the Air Force, or the National Guard, as the case may be.

(b) ADDITIONAL SPECIAL PAY FOR BOARD CERTIFICATION.—A commissioned officer entitled to special pay under subsection (a) who has been certified as a Diplomate in a specialty recognized by the American Veterinarian Medical Association is entitled to special pay (in addition to the special pay under subsection (a)) at the same rate as is provided under section 302c(b) of this title for an officer referred to in that section who has the same number of years of creditable service as the commissioned officer.

(Pub. L. 87-649, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 465; Pub. L. 88-2, §5, Mar. 28, 1963, 77 Stat. 4; Pub. L. 90-40, §5, June 30, 1967, 81 Stat. 105; Pub. L. 92-129, title I, §104, Sept. 28, 1971, 85 Stat. 355; Pub. L. 93-64, title II, §203, July 9, 1973, 87 Stat. 149; Pub. L. 95-114, §3, Sept. 30, 1977, 91 Stat. 1046; Pub. L. 95-485, title VIII, §801(b), Oct. 20, 1978, 92 Stat. 1619; Pub. L. 96-284, §4(c), June 28, 1980, 94 Stat. 591; Pub. L. 100-26, §8(d)(3), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 285; Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title XII, §1232, Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1161; Pub. L. 102-25, title VII, §702(b)(2), Apr. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 117; Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title VI, §616(a), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 652; Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title VI, §629], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-155.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| Revised section | Source (U.S. Code)                                                     | Source (Statutes at Large)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 303(a) .....    | 37:234(b) (less 1st proviso, as applicable to veterinarians).          | Oct. 12, 1949, ch. 681, §203(b) (as applicable to veterinarians), (c), 63 Stat. 809; June 25, 1952, ch. 459, §1, 66 Stat. 156; June 29, 1953, ch. 158, §8 (as applicable to veterinarians), 67 Stat. 89; June 30, 1955, ch. 250, §203, 69 Stat. 225; Apr. 30, 1956, ch. 223, §5, 70 Stat. 122; Mar. 23, 1959, Pub. L. 86-4, §5, 73 Stat. 13. |
| 303(b) .....    | 37:234(c).<br>37:234(b) (1st proviso, as applicable to veterinarians). |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

In subsection (a), clause (1) is substituted for section 234(c)(1), (2), and (3) of existing title 37. The words “of the Regular Army” and “of the Regular Air Force” are inserted in clauses (1)(A) and (B), respectively, since in contradistinction to section 234(c)(4) of existing title 37, their source was intended to apply only to regular officers. Clauses (2)(A) and (B) are substituted for the

enumeration of categories in section 234(c)(4) of existing title 37 to reflect current usage and designations of those categories. Clause (3) is substituted for section 234(c)(5) and (6) of existing title 37. Section 234(b) (2d proviso) of existing title 37 is omitted as obsolete. Section 234(b) (last proviso) of existing title 37 is omitted as inapplicable to veterinarians.

In subsection (b), the words “disability retirement pay” are omitted as covered by the words “retired pay”.

#### AMENDMENTS

2000—Subsec. (a)(1)(B). Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title VI, §629(1)], substituted “who is an officer in the Biomedical Sciences Corps and holds a degree in veterinary medicine” for “who is designated as a veterinary officer”.

Subsec. (a)(2)(B). Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title VI, §629(2)], added subpar. (B) and struck out former subpar. (B) which read as follows: “of a Reserve component of the Air Force, of the Army or the Air Force without specification of component, or of the National Guard, who is designated as a veterinary officer of the Army or the Air Force, as the case may be; or”.

1999—Pub. L. 106-65 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted subsec. heading, and added subsec. (b).

1991—Par. (3). Pub. L. 102-25 struck out “of this subsection” after “clause (1) or (2)”.

1987—Pub. L. 100-180 substituted semicolon for comma at end of par. (2)(A) and “; or” for “., or” at end of par. (2)(B).

Pub. L. 100-26 substituted “A” for “a” at beginning of pars. (1) to (3), semicolon for comma at end of par. (1)(A), “; or” for “., or” at end of par. (1)(B), period for semicolon at end of par. (1)(C), and period for “; and” at end of par. (2); and directed substitution of semicolon for comma at end of par. (1)(B) which could not be executed because no comma appeared at end of par. (1)(B).

1980—Pub. L. 96-284 substituted “Each” for “(a) In addition to any other basic pay, special pay, incentive pay or allowance to which he is entitled, each”, struck out “beginning on or after October 1, 1977” after “active duty”, struck out subsec. (b) which prohibited inclusion of active duty monthly special pay in computation of amount of increase in pay authorized in any other provision of this title or in computation of retired pay or severance pay, and struck out subsec. (c) which provided that no special pay be paid for any month after September 1980.

1978—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 95-485 substituted “September 1980” for “September 1978”.

1977—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 95-114 amended subsec. (a) to provide for the reinstatement of special pay provisions for veterinarians for each month on active duty beginning on or after Oct. 1, 1977.

Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 95-114 reenacted subsec. (b) without change and added subsec. (c).

1973—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 93-64 substituted “July 1, 1975” for “July 1, 1973” wherever appearing.

1971—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 92-129 substituted “July 1, 1973” for “July 1, 1971” wherever appearing.

1967—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 90-40 substituted “July 1, 1971” for “July 1, 1967” wherever appearing.

1963—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 88-2 substituted “July 1, 1967” for “July 1, 1963” wherever appearing.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1999 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title VI, §616(b), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 652, provided that: “The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on October 1, 1999, and shall apply with respect to months beginning on and after that date.”

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1977 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-114 effective Oct. 1, 1977, see section 4 of Pub. L. 95-114, set out as a note under section 302a of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1973 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 93-64 effective July 1, 1973, see section 206 of Pub. L. 93-64, set out as a note under section 401 of this title.

#### SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 302f, 303a, 306 of this title.

### § 303a. Special pay: health professionals; general provisions

(a) The Secretary of Defense, with respect to the Army, Navy, and Air Force, and the Secretary of Health and Human Services, with respect to the Public Health Service, shall prescribe regulations for the administration of sections 301d, 302 through 302j, and 303 of this title.

(b)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) or as otherwise provided under a provision of this chapter, a commissioned officer in the Regular or Reserve Corps of the Public Health Service is entitled to special pay under a provision of this chapter in the same amounts, and under the same terms and conditions, as a commissioned officer of the armed forces is entitled to special pay under that provision.

(2) A commissioned medical officer in the Regular or Reserve Corps of the Public Health Service (other than an officer serving in the Indian Health Service) may not receive additional special pay under section 302(a)(4) of this title for any period during which the officer is providing obligated service under the following provisions of law:

(A) Section 338B of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254f-1).

(B) Section 225(e) of the Public Health Service Act, as that section was in effect before October 1, 1977.

(C) Section 752 of the Public Health Service Act, as that section was in effect between October 1, 1977, and August 13, 1981.

(c) Special pay authorized under sections 301d, 302 through 302j, and 303 of this title is in addition to any other pay or allowance to which an officer is entitled. The amount of special pay to which an officer is entitled under any of such sections may not be included in computing the amount of any increase in pay authorized by any other provision of this title or in computing retired pay, separation pay, severance pay, or readjustment pay.

(d) The Secretary of Defense shall conduct a review every two years of the special pay for health professionals authorized by sections 301d, 302 through 302j, and 303 of this title.

(Added Pub. L. 96-284, §5(a), June 28, 1980, 94 Stat. 592; amended Pub. L. 96-513, title V, §506(6), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2919; Pub. L. 100-140, §2(b)(1), Oct. 26, 1987, 101 Stat. 831; Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title VII, §§705(b), 706(b), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1472, 1473; Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title VI, §611(d), title XIII, §1322(c)(2), title XIV, §1484(c)(1), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1577, 1672, 1716; Pub. L. 102-484, div. A, title X, §1054(a)(3), Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2502; Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title VI, §614(b), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 361; Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title VI, §615(c)(3), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2546; Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div.