

(Added Pub. L. 89-358, §3(b), Mar. 3, 1966, 80 Stat. 21, §1782; amended Pub. L. 92-540, title IV, §403(9), Oct. 24, 1972, 86 Stat. 1090; Pub. L. 100-323, §13(b)(6), May 20, 1988, 102 Stat. 574; renumbered §3682 and amended Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), (c)(1), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those comprising this section were contained in Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1190, 1201, which was classified to former sections 1663 and 1763 of this title, prior to repeal by sections 4(a) and 3(a)(3) of Pub. L. 89-358, respectively.

#### AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-83 renumbered section 1782 of this title as this section and substituted “3674A” for “1774A”.

1988—Pub. L. 100-323 substituted “Except as provided in section 1774A of this title, no” for “No”.

1972—Pub. L. 92-540 inserted “this chapter or” before “chapter 34 or 35”.

### § 3683. Conflicting interests

(a) Every officer or employee of the Department of Veterans Affairs who has, while such an officer or employee, owned any interest in, or received any wages, salary, dividends, profits, gratuities, or services from, any educational institution operated for profit in which an eligible person or veteran was pursuing a program of education or course under this chapter or chapter 34 or 35 of this title shall be immediately dismissed from such officer's or employee's office or employment.

(b) If the Secretary finds that any person who is an officer or employee of a State approving agency has, while such person was such an officer or employee, owned any interest in, or received any wages, salary, dividends, profits, gratuities, or services from, an educational institution operated for profit in which an eligible person or veteran was pursuing a program of education or course under this chapter or chapter 34 or 35 of this title, the Secretary shall discontinue making payments under section 3674 of this title to such State approving agency unless such agency shall, without delay, take such steps as may be necessary to terminate the employment of such person and such payments shall not be resumed while such person is an officer or employee of the State approving agency, or State department of veterans' affairs or State department of education.

(c) A State approving agency shall not approve any course offered by an educational institution operated for profit, and, if any such course has been approved, shall disapprove each such course, if it finds that any officer or employee of the Department of Veterans Affairs or the State approving agency owns an interest in, or receives any wages, salary, dividends, profits, gratuities, or services from, such institution.

(d) The Secretary may, after reasonable notice and public hearings, waive in writing the application of this section in the case of any officer or employee of the Department of Veterans Affairs or of a State approving agency, if the Secretary finds that no detriment will result to the United States or to eligible persons or veterans by reasons of such interest or connection of such officer or employee.

(Added Pub. L. 89-358, §3(b), Mar. 3, 1966, 80 Stat. 22, §1783; amended Pub. L. 92-540, title IV, §403(10), Oct. 24, 1972, 86 Stat. 1090; Pub. L. 94-502, title V, §513(a)(14)–(16), Oct. 15, 1976, 90 Stat. 2403; Pub. L. 97-295, §4(54), Oct. 12, 1982, 96 Stat. 1309; Pub. L. 101-237, title IV, §423(b)(1), Dec. 18, 1989, 103 Stat. 2092; renumbered §3683 and amended Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), (c)(1), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406.)

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#### AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), renumbered section 1783 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 102-83, §5(c)(1), substituted “3674” for “1774”.

1989—Pub. L. 101-237 substituted “Secretary” and “Department of Veterans Affairs” for “Administrator” and “Veterans' Administration”, respectively, wherever appearing.

1982—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97-295 inserted “of this title” after “34 or 35”.

1976—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94-502, §513(a)(14), substituted “such officer's or employee's” for “his”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 94-502, §513(a)(15), substituted “while such person was” for “while he was” and “the Administrator shall discontinue” for “he shall discontinue”.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 94-502, §513(a)(16), substituted “if the Administrator finds” for “if he finds”.

1972—Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 92-540 inserted “this chapter or” before “chapter 34 or 35” wherever appearing.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-502 effective Oct. 15, 1976, see section 703(b) of Pub. L. 94-502, set out as an Effective Date note under section 3693 of this title.

### § 3684. Reports by veterans, eligible persons, and institutions; reporting fee

(a)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the veteran or eligible person and the educational institution offering a course in which such veteran or eligible person is enrolled under chapter 31, 34,<sup>1</sup> 35, or 36 of this title shall, without delay, report to the Secretary, in the form prescribed by the Secretary, such enrollment and any interruption or termination of the education of each such veteran or eligible person. The date of such interruption or termination will be the last date of pursuit, or, in the case of correspondence training, the last date a lesson was serviced by a school.

(2)(A) In the case of a program of independent study pursued on less than a half-time basis in an educational institution, the Secretary may approve a delay by the educational institution in reporting the enrollment or reenrollment of an eligible veteran or eligible person until the end of the term, quarter, or semester if the educational institution requests the delay and the Secretary determines that it is not feasible for the educational institution to monitor interruption or termination of the veteran's or eligible person's pursuit of such program.

<sup>1</sup> So in original.