Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 102–83, § 5(c)(1), substituted ''1712(i)'' for ''612(i)''.

Pub. L. 102–83, § 4(b)(1), (2)(E), substituted ''Secretary'' for ''Administrator''.

1986—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99–576, § 205(1), substituted ''may use'' for ''may utilize'', ''purposes. Such'' for ''purposes, at nominal remuneration, and such'', and ''use'' for ''utilization''.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 99–576, § 205(2), struck out ''for remuneration'' after ''therapeutic work''.

Subsec. (c)(2), (3). Pub. L. 99–576, § 205(3), substituted ''distribute'' for ''pay'' in par. (2), and substituted ''rates of distribution'' for ''and wage rates'' in par. (3).

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 99–576, § 205(4), designated existing provisions as par. (1), substituted ''a distribution'' for ''remuneration'', and added par. (2).

1984—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 98–543 added subsec. (f).

1976—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94–581, § 105(a)(1), (2), designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and substituted ''In providing rehabilitative services under this chapter, the'' for ''The'' and ''health care facilities'' for ''hospitals and domiciliaries''.

Subsecs. (b) to (e). Pub. L. 94–581, § 105(a)(3), added subsecs. (b) to (e).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94–581 effective Oct. 21, 1976, see section 211 of Pub. L. 94–581, set out as a note under section 111 of this title.

DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM OF COMPENSATED WORK THERAPY AND THERAPEUTIC TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Section 7 of Pub. L. 102–54, as amended by Pub. L. 102–83, § 5(c)(2), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406; Pub. L. 102–86, title V, § 501, Aug. 14, 1991, 105 Stat. 424; Pub. L. 103–452, title I, § 103(f), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4787; Pub. L. 104–110, title I, § 102(b), Feb. 13, 1996, 110 Stat. 769, authorized Secretary of Veterans' Affairs, between Oct. 1, 1991, and Dec. 31, 1997, to carry out compensated work therapy and therapeutic transitional housing demonstration program, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105–114, title II, § 202(c)(1), Nov. 21, 1997, 111 Stat. 2287.

SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS

Section 105(b) of Pub. L. 94–581, as amended by Pub. L. 97–258, § 4(b), Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1067; Pub. L. 102–83, § 6(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 407, provided that:

''(1) The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may settle claims made by the Department of Veterans Affairs against any private nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of any State, for the use of facilities and personnel of the Department in work projects as a part of a therapeutic or rehabilitation program for patients and members in health care facilities of the Department, and to execute a binding release of all claims by the United States against any such corporation, in such amounts, and upon such terms and conditions as the Secretary considers appropriate.

''(2) For the purposes of this subsection, notwithstanding section 3302 of title 31, or any other provision of law, the Secretary may utilize any funds received under any settlement made pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection for any purpose agreed upon by the Secretary and such corporation.''

## § 1719. Repair or replacement of certain prosthetic and other appliances

The Secretary may repair or replace any artificial limb, truss, brace, hearing aid, spectacles, or similar appliance (not including dental appliances) reasonably necessary to a veteran and belonging to such veteran which was damaged or destroyed by a fall or other accident caused by a service-connected disability for which such veteran is in receipt of, or but for the receipt of retirement pay would be entitled to, disability compensation.

(Added Pub. L. 87–850, § 1(a), Oct. 23, 1962, 76 Stat. 1126, § 619; amended Pub. L. 94–581, title II, § 210(a)(6), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2862; renumbered § 1719 and amended Pub. L. 102–83, §§ 4(b)(1), (2)(E), 5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404–406.)

AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102–83, § 5(a), renumbered section 619 of this title as this section.

Pub. L. 102–83, § 4(b)(1), (2)(E), substituted ''Secretary'' for ''Administrator''.

1976—Pub. L. 94–581 substituted ''belonging to such veteran'' for ''belonging to him''.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94–581 effective Oct. 21, 1976, see section 211 of Pub. L. 94–581, set out as a note under section 111 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 2 of Pub. L. 87–850 provided that: ''The amendment made by this Act [enacting this section] shall apply only with respect to the repair or replacement of artificial limbs, trusses, braces, hearing aids, spectacles, and similar devices damaged or destroyed after the date of enactment of this Act [Oct. 23, 1962].''

## § 1720. Transfers for nursing home care; adult day health care

(a)(1) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, the Secretary may transfer to a non-Department nursing home, for care at the expense of the United States—

(A) a veteran—

(i) who has been furnished care by the Secretary in a facility under the direct jurisdiction of the Secretary; and

(ii) who the Secretary determines—

(I) requires a protracted period of nursing home care which can be furnished in the non-Department nursing home; and

(II) in the case of a veteran who has been furnished hospital care in a facility under the direct jurisdiction of the Secretary, has received maximum benefits from such care; and

(B) a member of the Armed Forces—

(i) who has been furnished care in a hospital of the Armed Forces;

(ii) who the Secretary concerned determines has received maximum benefits from such care but requires a protracted period of nursing home care; and

(iii) who upon discharge from the Armed Forces will become a veteran.

(2) The Secretary may transfer a person to a nursing home under this subsection only if the Secretary determines that the cost to the United States of the care of such person in the nursing home will not exceed—

(A) the amount equal to 45 percent of the cost of care furnished by the Department in a general hospital under the direct jurisdiction of the Secretary (as such cost may be determined annually by the Secretary); or

(B) the amount equal to 50 percent of such cost, if such higher amount is determined to be necessary by the Secretary (upon the recommendation of the Under Secretary for Health) to provide adequate care.

(3) Nursing home care may not be furnished under this subsection at the expense of the