Public Law 96–600
96th Congress

An Act

To authorize the Secretary of Defense to provide civilian career employees of the Department of Defense who are residents of Guam, the Virgin Islands, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico the same relative rotation rights as apply to other career employees, to authorize the Delegates in Congress from Guam and the Virgin Islands to have two appointments at a time, rather than one appointment, to each of the service academies, and to authorize the establishment of a National Guard of Guam.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

That section 1586 of title 10, United States Code, relating to the rotation of civilian employees of the Department of Defense assigned to duty outside the United States, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(h) The Secretary of Defense may, under such regulations as he may prescribe, make the provisions of subsections (a) through (g) applicable to civilian employees of the Department of Defense who are residents of Guam, the Virgin Islands, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico at the time of their employment by the Department of Defense in the same manner as if the references in such subsections to the United States (when used in a geographical sense) were references to Guam, the Virgin Islands, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, as the case may be."

Sec. 2. (a) Section 4342(a) of title 10, United States Code, relating to the number of cadets at the United States Military Academy, is amended by striking out "One cadet" in clauses (6) and (9) and inserting in lieu thereof "Two cadets".

(b) Section 6954(a) of such title, relating to the number of midshipmen at the United States Naval Academy, is amended by striking out "One" in clauses (6) and (9) and inserting in lieu thereof "Two".

(c) Section 9342(a) of such title, relating to the number of cadets at the United States Air Force Academy, is amended by striking out "One cadet" in clauses (6) and (9) and inserting in lieu thereof "Two cadets".

(d) The amendments made by this section shall be effective beginning with the nominations for appointment to the service academies for academic years beginning more than one year after the date of enactment of this Act.

Sec. 3. (a) Section 101(1) of title 32, United States Code, relating to the definition of the term "Territory", is amended by inserting "Guam and" before "the Virgin Islands".
(b) Clauses (7) and (9) of section 101 of title 37, United States Code, relating to the definitions of the terms "Army National Guard" and "Air National Guard", are each amended by inserting "Guam," after "Puerto Rico,"

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