

United States residing in the Republic of Panama who are citizens of the United States.”

(3) Clause (8) of section 9342(a) of such title is amended to read as follows: 10 USC 9342.

“(8) One cadet nominated by the Administrator of the Panama Canal Commission from the children of civilian personnel of the United States Government residing in the Republic of Panama who are citizens of the United States.”

APPOINTMENT OF CITIZENS OF NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS AS
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

SEC. 1006. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law respecting citizenship and in accordance with the covenant entitled “A Covenant to establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America” (approved on March 24, 1976, by Public Law 94-241), a citizen of the Northern Mariana Islands who indicates in writing to a commissioned officer of the Armed Forces of the United States an intent to become a citizen, and not a national, of the United States upon full implementation of such covenant, and who is otherwise qualified for military service under applicable laws and regulations, may be appointed as an officer in the Armed Forces of the United States, may be appointed or enrolled in the Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps program of any of the Armed Forces under chapter 103 of title 10, United States Code, and may be selected to be a participant in the Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship program under chapter 105 of such title. 10 USC 532 note.
48 USC 1681 note.

(b) This section shall expire upon the establishment of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. 10 USC 2101 et seq.
10 USC 2120 et seq.
Expiration date.

TRANSFER OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE OFFICERS TO OTHER UNIFORMED
SERVICES

SEC. 1007. (a)(1) Section 716 of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“§ 716. Commissioned officers: transfers among the armed forces, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the Public Health Service

“(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the President, within authorized strengths and with the consent of the officer involved, may transfer any commissioned officer of a uniformed service from his uniformed service to, and appoint him in, another uniformed service. The Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Transportation, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall jointly establish, by regulations approved by the President, policies and procedures for such transfers and appointments.

“(b) An officer transferred under this section may not be assigned precedence or relative rank higher than that which he held on the day before the transfer.

“(c) In this section, ‘uniformed service’ means any of the armed forces, the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, or the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service.”

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