

## Public Law 89-609

September 30, 1966  
[H. R. 420]

## AN ACT

To amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize the commissioning of male persons in the Regular Army in the Army Nurse Corps, the Army Medical Specialist Corps, the Regular Navy in the Nurse Corps and the Regular Air Force with a view to designation as Air Force nurses and medical specialists, and for other purposes.

Armed Forces.  
Male nurses,  
commissions.  
71 Stat. 375.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That title 10, United States Code, is amended as follows:

## (1) Section 3069 is amended—

(A) by striking out the period at the end of the third sentence and the word “She” at the beginning of the fourth sentence and inserting “, and” in place thereof; and

(B) by striking out “her regular grade, she” in the fifth sentence and inserting the words “the regular grade held, the Chief” in place thereof.

## (2) Section 3070(b) is amended—

(A) by striking out the period at the end of the second sentence and the word “She” at the beginning of the third sentence and inserting “, and” in place thereof; and

(B) by striking out the words “her regular grade, she” in the fourth sentence and inserting the words “the regular grade held, the Chief” in place thereof.

## (3) Section 3070(c) is amended—

(A) by striking out the period at the end of the second sentence and the word “She” at the beginning of the third sentence and inserting “, and” in place thereof;

(B) by striking out the word “She” at the beginning of the fourth sentence and inserting the words “An assistant chief” in place thereof; and

(C) by amending the fifth sentence to read as follows: “Without vacating the regular grade held, each assistant chief is entitled to the temporary grade of a lieutenant colonel while so serving and ranks above all other lieutenant colonels in the section.”

71 Stat. 376.

## (4) Section 3291 is amended—

(A) by striking out the word “women” wherever it appears in subsection (a) and inserting the word “persons” in place thereof;

(B) by striking out the word “woman” in subsection (b) and inserting the word “person” in place thereof; and

(C) by striking out the word “her” wherever it appears, and the words “that she”, in subsection (c).

71 Stat. 379.

## (5) Section 3915(b) is amended to read as follows:

“(b) Unless retired or separated at an earlier date, each officer of the Army Nurse Corps and the Army Medical Specialist Corps whose regular grade is major shall be retired, except as provided by section 47a of title 5, on the thirtieth day after completion of 25 years of service computed under section 3927(a) of this title. However, if the officer’s name is carried on a list of officers recommended for appointment to the regular grade of lieutenant colonel, the officer shall be retained on the active list while the name is so carried. In addition, if the authorized strength of the corps concerned in officers on the active list is not exceeded, the Secretary of the Army may retain the officer on the active list until completion of 28 years of service computed under section 3927(a) of this title, in which case the officer

70 Stat. 933;  
72 Stat. 1570.  
72 Stat. 1488.

shall be retired, except as provided by section 47a of title 5, on the thirtieth day after completion of that service.”

70 Stat. 933;  
72 Stat. 1570.

(6) Section 5140(a) is amended—

70A Stat. 287.

(A) by striking out the word “she” in the third sentence and inserting the words “the Director” in place thereof;

(B) by striking out the word “Her” at the beginning of the fourth sentence and inserting the words “The Director’s” in place thereof; and

(C) by striking out the word “her” near the end of the fourth sentence.

(7) Section 5580(a) is amended by striking out the word “female” at the beginning of the first sentence.

(8) Section 5580(b) (1) is amended to read as follows:

“(1) ensign, if the person has not reached the age of 27 on the date of nomination by the President and is not qualified for appointment as a lieutenant (junior grade) under clause (2); or”

(9) Section 5580(b) (2) is amended to read as follows: “(2) lieutenant (junior grade), if the person is qualified under regulations prescribed by the Secretary and has not reached the age of 30 on the date of nomination by the President.”

(10) Section 5601 is repealed.

72 Stat. 1495.

(11) Section 5773(c) is amended by striking out the word “her” in the first sentence and inserting the words “the person” in place thereof.

71 Stat. 383.

(12) Section 5776(d) is amended by striking out the word “she” and inserting the words “the person” in place thereof.

(13) Section 5782(d) is amended by striking out the word “her” and inserting the words “the person” in place thereof.

(14) Section 5899(e) is amended by striking out the word “she” and inserting the words “the person” in place thereof.

72 Stat. 1503.

(15) Section 6324 is amended by striking out the word “her” wherever it appears and inserting the words “the person’s” in place thereof.

70A Stat. 394.

(16) Section 6377(c) is amended by striking out the word “she” and inserting the words “the person” in place thereof.

71 Stat. 384.

(17) Section 6377(d) is amended by striking out the word “she” and inserting the words “the person” in place thereof.

(18) Section 6384(c) (3) is amended by striking out the word “her” and inserting the words “the Person’s” in place thereof.

70A Stat. 407.

(19) Section 6384(c) (4) is amended by striking out the word “her” and inserting the words “the person’s” in place thereof.

(20) Section 6388(d) (1) is amended by striking out the word “her” and inserting the words “the person’s” in place thereof.

(21) Section 6388(d) (2) is amended by striking out the word “her” and inserting the words “the person’s” in place thereof.

(22) Section 6395(h) (3) is amended by striking out the word “her” and inserting the words “the person’s” in place thereof.

(23) Section 6396(a) is amended by striking out the word “she” and inserting the words “the person” in place thereof.

71 Stat. 385.

(24) Section 6396(b) is amended by striking out the word “she” and inserting the words “the person” in place thereof.

70A Stat. 413;  
71 Stat. 385.

(25) Section 6396(c) (1) is amended—

(a) by striking out the words “by her” near the beginning of the sentence; and

(b) by striking out the word “her” near the end of the sentence and inserting the words “the person’s” in place thereof.

77 Stat. 214.

(26) Section 6396(c) (2) is amended—

(a) by striking out the words “she would be” near the beginning of the sentence; and

(b) by striking out the words “to him” near the middle of the sentence.

72 Stat. 1511.

(27) Section 6397(b) is amended by striking out the word “he” wherever it appears and inserting the words “the person” in place thereof.

71 Stat. 386.

(28) Section 8287(b) is amended by striking out the word “her” wherever it appears and the words “that she”.

71 Stat. 387.

(29) Section 8299(g) is amended by striking out the words “with which she is entitled to be credited” and inserting the word “creditable” in place thereof.

70A Stat. 547;  
71 Stat. 388.

(30) Section 8888(2) (D) is amended to read as follows:

“(D) For an Air Force nurse or medical specialist, the period of service credited under the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947, as amended, or credited under section 8287(b) of this title at the time of appointment, plus the years of active commissioned service in the Regular Air Force after appointment in the Regular Air Force.”

61 Stat. 41.

(31) Section 8915 is amended—

(A) by amending the catchline to read as follows:

“§ 8915. **Twenty-five years: female majors except those designated under section 8067 (a)-(d) or (g)-(i) of this title; male majors designated under section 8067 (e) or (f) of this title**”;

70A Stat. 494.

(B) by inserting the words “and each male officer of the Air Force, designated under section 8067 (e) or (f) of this title, whose regular grade is major,” before the word “shall” in subsection (a); and

(C) by striking out the word “she” in subsections (a) and

(b) and inserting the words “that officer” in place thereof.

(32) The analysis of chapter 867 is amended by striking out the following item:

“8915. **Twenty-five years: female majors except those designated under section 8067 (a)-(d) or (g)-(i) of this title.**”

and inserting the following item in place thereof:

“8915. **Twenty-five years: female majors except those designated under section 8067 (a)-(d) or (g)-(i) of this title; male majors designated under section 8067 (e) or (f) of this title.**”

72 Stat. 1540.

(33) Section 8927(a) (4) is amended to read as follows:

“(4) For an Air Force nurse or medical specialist, the period of service credited under the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947, as amended, or credited under section 8287 (b) of this title at the time of appointment, plus the years of active commissioned service in the Regular Air Force after appointment in the Regular Air Force.”

Age limitations,  
waiver authority.

71 Stat. 376.

SEC. 2. For two years following the effective date of this Act the Secretary of the Army may waive the provisions of section 3291(a), title 10, United States Code, which establish maximum ages for appointment in the Regular Army in the Army Nurse Corps or Army Medical Specialist Corps, with respect to male persons who are otherwise qualified for appointment.

Approved September 30, 1966.