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§ 255(h)(1) (1) The President may, with respect to any military personnel account,<sup>1545</sup> exempt that account from sequestration<sup>1546</sup> or provide for a lower uniform percentage reduction than would otherwise apply.

§ 255(h)(2) (2) The President may not use the authority provided by paragraph (1) unless he notifies the Congress of the manner in which such authority will be exercised on or before the initial snapshot date<sup>1547</sup> for the budget year.<sup>1548</sup>

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<sup>1544</sup>(...continued)

existing subsection (h) to read as the new subsection (h), Congress evidently wanted to add another subsection and not to repeal the existing subsection (h). As subsections (h) and (i) already existed, however, the Budget Enforcement Act should have added a new subsection (j) at the end of section 255, or perhaps have inserted the new subsection (h) in place of the existing subsection (f), which at least some drafters of the Budget Enforcement Act intended to repeal, as section 256(a) (*see infra* p. 578) now accomplishes effectively the same thing as section 255(f) (among other things).

<sup>1545</sup> Section 250(c)(11) defines "account." *See supra* p. 445.

<sup>1546</sup> Section 250(c)(2) defines "sequestration." *See supra* p. 440.

<sup>1547</sup> Gramm-Rudman-Hollings formerly defined this snapshot date. Sections 254(a) (*see supra* pp. 541-542) and 254(c) (*see supra* p. 547) make clear that this reference is to August 10.

<sup>1548</sup> Section 250(c)(12) defines "budget year." *See supra* p. 446.