

**SEC. 616. INCREASE IN MAXIMUM BONUS AND STIPEND AMOUNTS  
AUTHORIZED UNDER NURSE OFFICER CANDIDATE ACCESSION  
PROGRAM AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS STIPEND PROGRAM.**

(a) Bonus Under Nurse Officer Candidate Accession Program- Section 2130a(a)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is amended--

(1) by striking ` \$10,000' and inserting ` \$20,000'; and

(2) by striking ` \$5,000' and inserting ` \$10,000'.

(b) Monthly Stipend Under Nurse Officer Candidate Accession Program- Section 2130a(a)(2) of title is amended by striking ` of not more than \$1,000' and inserting ` in an amount not to exceed the stipend rate in effect under section 2121(d) of this title'.

(c) Monthly Stipend for Students in Nursing or Other Health Professions Under Health Professions Stipend Program- Section 16201(e)(2)(A) of title is amended by striking ` stipend of \$100 per month' and inserting ` monthly stipend in an amount not to exceed the stipend rate in effect under section 2121(d) of this title'.