

States Postal Service designated by the Board of Governors to investigate criminal matters related to the Postal Service and the mails may—

(1) serve warrants and subpoenas issued under the authority of the United States;

(2) make arrests without warrant for offenses against the United States committed in their presence;

(3) make arrests without warrant for felonies cognizable under the laws of the United States if they have reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be arrested has committed or is committing such a felony;

(4) carry firearms; and

(5) make seizures of property as provided by law.

(b) The powers granted by subsection (a) of this section shall be exercised only—

(1) in the enforcement of laws regarding property in the custody of the Postal Service, property of the Postal Service, the use of the mails, and other postal offenses; and

(2) to the extent authorized by the Attorney General pursuant to agreement between the Attorney General and the Postal Service, in the enforcement of other laws of the United States, if the Attorney General determines that violations of such laws have a detrimental effect upon the operations of the Postal Service.

(c)(1) The Postal Service may employ police officers for duty in connection with the protection of property owned or occupied by the Postal Service or under the charge and control of the Postal Service, and persons on that property, including duty in areas outside the property to the extent necessary to protect the property and persons on the property.

(2) With respect to such property, such officers shall have the power to—

(A) enforce Federal laws and regulations for the protection of persons and property;

(B) carry firearms; and

(C) make arrests without a warrant for any offense against the United States<sup>1</sup> committed in the presence of the officer or for any felony cognizable under the laws of the United States if the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be arrested has committed or is committing a felony.

(3) With respect to such property, such officers may have, to such extent as the Postal Service may by regulations prescribe, the power to—

(A) serve warrants and subpoenas issued under the authority of the United States; and

(B) conduct investigations, on and off the property in question, of offenses that may have been committed against property owned or occupied by the Postal Service or persons on the property.

(4)(A) As to such property, the Postmaster General may prescribe regulations necessary for the protection and administration of property owned or occupied by the Postal Service and persons on the property. The regulations may include reasonable penalties, within the limits prescribed in subparagraph (B), for violations of

the regulations. The regulations shall be posted and remain posted in a conspicuous place on the property.

(B) A person violating a regulation prescribed under this subsection shall be fined under this title, imprisoned for not more than 30 days, or both.

(Added Pub. L. 90-560, §5(a), Oct. 12, 1968, 82 Stat. 998; amended Pub. L. 91-375, §6(j)(38)(A), Aug. 12, 1970, 84 Stat. 781; Pub. L. 100-690, title VI, §6251(a), Nov. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 4362; Pub. L. 109-435, title X, §1001, Dec. 20, 2006, 120 Stat. 3254.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 109-435 added subsec. (c).

1988—Pub. L. 100-690 substituted “Investigative powers of Postal Service personnel” for “Powers of postal personnel” in section catchline, and amended text generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows:

“(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, officers and employees of the Postal Service performing duties related to the inspection of postal matters may, to the extent authorized by the Board of Governors—

“(1) serve warrants and subpoenas issued under the authority of the United States;

“(2) make arrests without warrant for offenses against the United States committed in their presence; and

“(3) make arrests without warrant for felonies cognizable under the laws of the United States if they have reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be arrested has committed or is committing such a felony.

“(b) The powers granted by subsection (a) of this section shall be exercised only in the enforcement of laws regarding property of the United States in the custody of the Postal Service, including property of the Postal Service, the use of the mails, and other postal offenses.”

1970—Pub. L. 91-375, §6(j)(38)(A)(i), substituted “postal personnel” for “postal inspectors” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 91-375, §6(j)(38)(A)(ii), substituted “officers and employees of the Postal Service performing duties related to the inspection of postal matters may, to the extent authorized by the Board of Governors—” for “postal inspectors may, to the extent authorized by the Postmaster General—”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 91-375, §6(j)(38)(A)(iii), substituted “Postal Service, including property of the Postal Service,” for “postal service”.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1970 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 91-375 effective within 1 year after Aug. 12, 1970, on date established therefor by the Board of Governors of the United States Postal Service and published by it in the Federal Register, see section 15(a) of Pub. L. 91-375, set out as an Effective Date note preceding section 101 of Title 39, Postal Service.

#### § 3062. General arrest authority for violation of release conditions

A law enforcement officer, who is authorized to arrest for an offense committed in his presence, may arrest a person who is released pursuant to chapter 207 if the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person is violating, in his presence, a condition imposed on the person pursuant to section 3142(c)(1)(B)(iv), (v), (viii), (ix), or (xiii), or, if the violation involves a failure to remain in a specified institution as required, a condition imposed pursuant to section 3142(c)(1)(B)(x).

(Added Pub. L. 98-473, title II, §204(d), Oct. 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 1986; amended Pub. L. 100-690, title VII, §7052, Nov. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 4401.)

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be “United”.

## AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-690 substituted “section 3142(c)(1)(B)(iv), (v), (viii), (ix), or (xiii)” for “section 3142(c)(2)(D), (c)(2)(E), (c)(2)(H), (c)(2)(I), or (c)(2)(M)” and “section 3142(c)(1)(B)(x)” for “section 3142(c)(2)(J)”.

### § 3063. Powers of Environmental Protection Agency

(a) Upon designation by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, any law enforcement officer of the Environmental Protection Agency with responsibility for the investigation of criminal violations of a law administered by the Environmental Protection Agency, may—

- (1) carry firearms;
- (2) execute and serve any warrant or other processes issued under the authority of the United States; and
- (3) make arrests without warrant for—
  - (A) any offense against the United States committed in such officer’s presence; or
  - (B) any felony offense against the United States if such officer has probable cause to believe that the person to be arrested has committed or is committing that felony offense.

(b) The powers granted under subsection (a) of this section shall be exercised in accordance with guidelines approved by the Attorney General.

(Added Pub. L. 100-582, §4(a), Nov. 1, 1988, 102 Stat. 2958.)

### § 3064. Powers of Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Authorized employees of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration may direct a driver of a commercial motor vehicle (as defined in section 31132 of title 49) to stop for inspection of the vehicle, driver, cargo, and required records at or in the vicinity of an inspection site.

(Added Pub. L. 109-59, title IV, §4143(b), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1748.)

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## AMENDMENTS

1994—Pub. L. 103-359, title VIII, §803(c)(2), Oct. 14, 1994, 108 Stat. 3439, inserted “AND ESPIONAGE” after “TERRORIST ACTS” in chapter heading.

### § 3071. Information for which rewards authorized

(a) With respect to acts of terrorism primarily within the territorial jurisdiction of the United

<sup>1</sup>Section repealed by Pub. L. 107-273 without corresponding amendment of chapter analysis.

States, the Attorney General may reward any individual who furnishes information—

- (1) leading to the arrest or conviction, in any country, of any individual or individuals for the commission of an act of terrorism against a United States person or United States property; or
- (2) leading to the arrest or conviction, in any country, of any individual or individuals for conspiring or attempting to commit an act of terrorism against a United States person or property; or
- (3) leading to the prevention, frustration, or favorable resolution of an act of terrorism against a United States person or property.

(b) With respect to acts of espionage involving or directed at the United States, the Attorney General may reward any individual who furnishes information—

- (1) leading to the arrest or conviction, in any country, of any individual or individuals for commission of an act of espionage against the United States;
- (2) leading to the arrest or conviction, in any country, of any individual or individuals for conspiring or attempting to commit an act of espionage against the United States; or
- (3) leading to the prevention or frustration of an act of espionage against the United States.

(Added Pub. L. 98-533, title I, §101(a), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2706; amended Pub. L. 103-359, title VIII, §803(a), Oct. 14, 1994, 108 Stat. 3438.)

## AMENDMENTS

1994—Pub. L. 103-359 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

## SHORT TITLE

Section 1 of Pub. L. 98-533 provided that: “This Act [enacting this chapter and section 2708 of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse, amending sections 2669, 2678 and 2704 of Title 22, enacting provisions set out as a note under section 5928 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees and amending provisions set out as a note under section 2651 of Title 22] may be cited as the ‘1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism.’”

### ATTORNEY GENERAL’S AUTHORITY TO PAY REWARDS TO COMBAT TERRORISM

Pub. L. 107-56, title V, §501, Oct. 26, 2001, 115 Stat. 363, which provided that funds available to Attorney General could be used for payment of rewards to combat terrorism and defend Nation against terrorist acts, in accordance with procedures and regulations established or issued by Attorney General, and set forth conditions in making such rewards, was repealed by Pub. L. 107-273, div. A, title III, §301(c)(1), Nov. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 1781.

### § 3072. Determination of entitlement; maximum amount; Presidential approval; conclusiveness

The Attorney General shall determine whether an individual furnishing information described in section 3071 is entitled to a reward and the amount to be paid.

(Added Pub. L. 98-533, title I, §101(a), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2707; amended Pub. L. 107-273, div. A, title III, §301(c)(2), Nov. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 1781.)