| Revised<br>Section | Source (U.S. Code)  | Source (Statutes at Large)  |
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| 30121(a)           | 15:1397(a)(1)(D) (re-<br>lated to<br>15:1415(b)).                               | Sept. 9, 1966, Pub. L. 89-563,<br>§108(a)(1)(D) (related to<br>§155), 80 Stat. 722; restated<br>Oct. 27, 1974, Pub. L.<br>93-492, §103(a)(1)(A), (3), 86<br>Stat. 1477, 1478.               |
|                    | 15:1415(b).   | Sept. 9, 1966, Pub. L. 89–563<br>80 Stat. 718, §155(b)–(d)<br>added Oct. 27, 1974, Pub. L<br>93–492, §102(a), 88 Stat<br>1474.  |
| 30121(b)           | 15:1397(a)(1)(D) (re-<br>lated to<br>15:1415(c)).<br>15:1415(c).                |   |
| 30121(c)           | 15:1415(C).<br>15:1397(a)(1)(D) (re-<br>lated to<br>15:1415(d)).<br>15:1415(d). |   |
| 30121(d)           | 15:1397(a)(1)(D) (re-<br>lated to<br>15:1415(a)).                               |   |
|                    | 15:1415(a).   | Sept. 9, 1966, Pub. L. 89-563,<br>80 Stat. 718, §155(a); added<br>Oct. 27, 1974, Pub. L.<br>93-492, §102(a), 88 Stat.<br>1474; Nov. 8, 1984, Pub. L.<br>98-620, §402(17), 98 Stat.<br>3358. |

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

In this section, the text of 15:1397(a)(1)(D) (related to 15:1415) is omitted as surplus.

In subsection (a)(1), before clause (A), the words "and to which subsection (a) of this section applies" are omitted because of the restatement. In clause (A), the words "prescribed under this chapter" are substituted for "Federal", and the words "civil action" are substituted for "proceeding", for consistency. In clause (B), the words "that there is such a defect or failure" are omitted as surplus. In clause (D), the word "considers" is substituted for "which in the judgment of . . . are" to eliminate unnecessary words. In clause (E), the word "remedy" is substituted for "cause . . . to be remedied" to eliminate unnecessary words. The words "civil action" are substituted for "court proceeding" for consistency.

In subsection (b)(1), the words "with respect to such failure to notify" are omitted as surplus. The word "enjoins" is substituted for "restrains" for consistency. The words "of such an order" and "for which the effectiveness of" are omitted as surplus. In subsection (b)(2), the words "by an order", "or

In subsection (b)(2), the words "by an order", "or not", and "(to which subsection (a) of the section applies)" are omitted as surplus.

In subsection (c), before clause (1), the words "a civil action referred to in subsection (a) of this section" are substituted for "(i) a manufacturer fails within the period specified in section 1413(b) of this title to comply with an order under section 1412(b) of this title to afford notification to owners and purchasers, (ii) a civil action to which subsection (a) of this section applies is commenced with respect to such order, and (iii) . . . in such action" to eliminate unnecessary words. In clause (1), the word "action" is substituted for "proceeding" for consistency. The words "containing" and "by an order" are omitted as surplus. In clause (2), the words "under section 30119(b) of this title" are substituted for "(in accordance with the second and third sentences of section 1414(b) of this title)" for clarity. The words "under section 30120 of this title" are added for clarity. In clause (3), the words "which are . . . by such owner or purchaser", "the purpose of", and "to which the

order relates" are omitted as surplus. In subsection (d), the words "Notwithstanding section 30163(c) of this title" are added for clarity. The words "An action under section 1399(a) of this title to restrain a violation of an order ... or under section 1398 of this title to collect a civil penalty with respect to a violation of such an order" and "to which the order applies" are omitted as surplus. The words "may transfer the action" are substituted for "orders a change of venue" for consistency with 28:1404. The words "(including enforcement actions)" are omitted as surplus. The words "that court shall issue the consolidation order" are substituted for "by order of such other court" for clarity.

## § 30122. Making safety devices and elements inoperative

(a) DEFINITION.—In this section, "motor vehicle repair business" means a person holding itself out to the public to repair for compensation a motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment.

(b) PROHIBITION.—A manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or motor vehicle repair business may not knowingly make inoperative any part of a device or element of design installed on or in a motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment in compliance with an applicable motor vehicle safety standard prescribed under this chapter unless the manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or repair business reasonably believes the vehicle or equipment will not be used (except for testing or a similar purpose during maintenance or repair) when the device or element is inoperative.

(c) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Transportation may prescribe regulations—

(1) to exempt a person from this section if the Secretary decides the exemption is consistent with motor vehicle safety and section 30101 of this title; and

(2) to define "make inoperative".

(d) NONAPPLICATION.—This section does not apply to a safety belt interlock or buzzer designed to indicate a safety belt is not in use as described in section 30124 of this title.

(Pub. L. 103-272, §1(e), July 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 956.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| Revised<br>Section                                   | Source (U.S. Code)   | Source (Statutes at Large)   |
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| 30122(a)   | 15:1397(a)(2)(A) (last sentence).                                    | Sept. 9, 1966, Pub. L. 89-563,<br>80 Stat. 718, §108(a)(2)(A)-<br>(C); added Oct. 27, 1974,<br>Pub. L. 93-492, §103(a)<br>(1)(A), 88 Stat. 1477. |
| 30122(b)   | 15:1397(a)(2)(A) (1st sentence).                                     | (-)(-),  |
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In subsections (a) and (c), the words "the term" are omitted as surplus.

In subsection (a), the words "in the business of" are omitted as surplus.

In subsection (b), the words "an applicable motor vehicle safety standard prescribed under this chapter" are substituted for "an applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standard" for consistency. The words "of design" the 2d time they appear and "rendered" are omitted as surplus.

In subsection (c)(1), the words "section 30101 of this title" are substituted for "the purposes of this chapter" as being more precise.

In subsection (d), the words "with respect . . . the rendering inoperative of" are omitted as surplus.

## §30123. Tires

(a) REGROOVED TIRE LIMITATIONS.—(1) In this subsection, "regrooved tire" means a tire with a new tread produced by cutting into the tread of a worn tire.

(2) The Secretary may authorize the sale, offer for sale, introduction for sale, or delivery for introduction in interstate commerce, of a regrooved tire or a motor vehicle equipped with regrooved tires if the Secretary decides the tires