References in Text

Section 3(a) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, referred to in subsec. (a), is section 3(a) of Pub. L. 95–452, which is set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

§ 15705. Biannual meetings of representatives of all Commissions

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Representatives of each Commission, the Appalachian Regional Commission, and the Denali Commission shall meet biannually to discuss issues confronting regions suffering from chronic and contiguous distress and successful strategies for promoting regional development.
- (b) CHAIR OF MEETINGS.—The chair of each meeting shall rotate among the Commissions, with the Appalachian Regional Commission to host the first meeting.

(Added Pub. L. 110–234, title XIV, \$14217(a)(2), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1480, and Pub. L. 110–246, \$4(a), title XIV, \$14217(a)(2), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2242.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

SUBCHAPTER II—DESIGNATION OF REGIONS

§ 15731. Southeast Crescent Regional Commission

The region of the Southeast Crescent Regional Commission shall consist of all counties of the States of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida not already served by the Appalachian Regional Commission or the Delta Regional Authority.

(Added Pub. L. 110–234, title XIV, \$14217(a)(2), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1481, and Pub. L. 110–246, \$4(a), title XIV, \$14217(a)(2), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2243.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

§15732. Southwest Border Regional Commission

The region of the Southwest Border Regional Commission shall consist of the following political subdivisions:

- (1) ARIZONA.—The counties of Cochise, Gila, Graham, Greenlee, La Paz, Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, Santa Cruz, and Yuma in the State of Arizona.
- (2) CALIFORNIA.—The counties of Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Ventura in the State of California.
- (3) NEW MEXICO.—The counties of Catron, Chaves, Dona Ana, Eddy, Grant, Hidalgo, Lincoln, Luna, Otero, Sierra, and Socorro in the State of New Mexico.

(4) TEXAS.—The counties of Atascosa, Bandera, Bee, Bexar, Brewster, Brooks, Cameron, Coke, Concho. Crane, Culberson, Dimmit, Duval, Ector, Edwards, El Paso, Frio, Gillespie, Glasscock, Hidalgo, Hudspeth, Irion, Jeff Davis, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kendall, Kenedy, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, Kleberg, La Salle, Live Oak, Loving, Mason, Maverick, McMullen, Medina, Menard, Midland, Nueces, Pecos, Presidio, Reagan, Real, Reeves, San Patricio, Shleicher, Sutton, Starr, Sterling, Terrell, Tom Green¹ Upton, Uvalde, Val Verde, Ward, Webb, Willacy, Wilson, Winkler, Zapata, and Zavala in the State of Texas.

(Added Pub. L. 110–234, title XIV, §14217(a)(2), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1481, and Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XIV, §14217(a)(2), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2243.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246

§ 15733. Northern Border Regional Commission

The region of the Northern Border Regional Commission shall include the following counties:

- (1) MAINE.—The counties of Androscoggin, Aroostook, Franklin, Hancock, Kennebec, Knox, Oxford, Penobscot, Piscataquis, Somerset, Waldo, and Washington in the State of Maine.
- (2) NEW HAMPSHIRE.—The counties of Carroll, Coos, Grafton, and Sullivan in the State of New Hampshire.
- (3) NEW YORK.—The counties of Cayuga, Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Oswego, Seneca, and St. Lawrence in the State of New York.
- (4) VERMONT.—The counties of Caledonia, Essex, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille, and Orleans in the State of Vermont.

(Added Pub. L. 110–234, title XIV, §14217(a)(2), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1481, and Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XIV, §14217(a)(2), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2243.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110–234 and Pub. L. 110–246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110–234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110–246.

SUBCHAPTER III—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

$\S 15751$. Authorization of appropriations

- (a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appropriated to each Commission to carry out this subtitle \$30,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.
- (b) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—Not more than 10 percent of the funds made available to a Commission in a fiscal year under this section may be used for administrative expenses.

(Added Pub. L. 110-234, title XIV, §14217(a)(2), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1482, and Pub. L. 110-246,

¹So in original. Probably should be followed by a comma.

 $\$4(a),\ title\ XIV,\ \$14217(a)(2),\ June\ 18,\ 2008,\ 122$ Stat. 1664, 2244.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110–234 and Pub. L. 110–246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110–234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110–246.

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CHAPTER 171—SAFETY STANDARDS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES

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17101. Definitions.

17102. Prohibition on acquisition or purchase of motor vehicles by Federal Government.

17103. Commercial standards for passenger safety devices.

§ 17101. Definitions

In this chapter, the following definitions apply:

- (1) FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.—The term "Federal Government" includes the government of the District of Columbia.
- (2) MOTOR VEHICLE.—The term "motor vehicle" means a vehicle, self-propelled or drawn by mechanical power, designed for use on the highways principally for the transportation of passengers, except a vehicle designed or used for military field training, combat, or tactical purposes.

(Pub. L. 107-217, Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1279.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)	
17101	40:703.	Pub. L. 88–515, §3, Aug. 30, 1964, 78 Stat. 696.	

In clause (1), the words "the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of the Government of the United States" are omitted as unnecessary.

§ 17102. Prohibition on acquisition or purchase of motor vehicles by Federal Government

The Federal Government shall not purchase a motor vehicle for use by the Government unless that motor vehicle is equipped with reasonable passenger safety devices that the Administrator of General Services requires. Those devices shall conform with standards the Administrator prescribes under section 17103 of this title.

(Pub. L. 107-217, Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1279.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
17102	40:701.	Pub. L. 88–515, §1, Aug. 30, 1964, 78 Stat. 696.

The words "manufactured on or after the effective date of this section" are omitted as executed.

§17103. Commercial standards for passenger safety devices

The Administrator of General Services shall prescribe and publish in the Federal Register commercial standards for passenger safety devices the Administrator requires under section 17102 of this title. Changes in the standards take effect one year and 90 days after the publication of the standards in the Federal Register.

(Pub. L. 107-217, Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1279.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)		
17103 40:701 note.		Pub. L. 88–515, §§ 2, 4, Aug 30, 1964, 78 Stat. 696.		
	40:702.	30, 1904, 78 Stat. 696.		

The first sentence of section 4 of the Act of August 30, 1964, and 40:702 (last sentence) are omitted as executed.

CHAPTER 173—GOVERNMENT LOSSES IN SHIPMENT

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§ 17301. Definitions

In this chapter, the following definitions apply:

- (1) REPLACEMENT.—The term "replacement" means payment, reimbursement, replacement, or duplication or the expenses incident to payment, reimbursement, replacement, or duplication.
 - (2) SHIPMENT.—The term "shipment"—
 - (A) means the transportation, or the effecting of transportation, of valuables, without limitation as to the means or facilities used or by which the transportation is effected or the person to whom it is made; and
 - (B) includes shipments made to any executive department, independent establishment,