

**§ 191b. Repealed. Pub. L. 96-70, title III, § 3303(a)(5), Sept. 27, 1979, 93 Stat. 499**

Section, acts Nov. 15, 1941, ch. 471, § 4, 55 Stat. 763; Sept. 26, 1950, ch. 1049, § 2(b), 64 Stat. 1038; Oct. 18, 1962, Pub. L. 87-845, § 12, 76A Stat. 699, provided that this section, section 191a of this title, and section 91 of title 14 not affect the authority of the Governor of the Canal Zone conferred by section 191 of this title or section 34 of Title 2, Canal Zone Code.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective Oct. 1, 1979, see section 3304 of Pub. L. 96-70, set out as an Effective Date note under section 3601 of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse.

**§ 191c. Repealed. Aug. 4, 1949, ch. 393, § 20, 63 Stat. 561**

Section, act Nov. 15, 1941, ch. 471, § 1, 55 Stat. 763, related to control of anchorage and movement of vessels to insure safety of naval vessels. See section 91 of Title 14, Coast Guard.

**§ 192. Seizure and forfeiture of vessel; fine and imprisonment**

**(a) In general**

If any owner, agent, master, officer, or person in charge, or any member of the crew of any such vessel fails to comply with any regulation or rule issued or order given under the provisions of this title,<sup>1</sup> or obstructs or interferes with the exercise of any power conferred by this title,<sup>1</sup> the vessel, together with her tackle, apparel, furniture, and equipment, shall be subject to seizure and forfeiture to the United States in the same manner as merchandise is forfeited for violation of the customs revenue laws; and the person guilty of such failure, obstruction, or interference shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than ten years and may, in the discretion of the court, be fined not more than \$10,000.

**(b) Application to others**

If any other person knowingly fails to comply with any regulation or rule issued or order given under the provisions of this title,<sup>1</sup> or knowingly obstructs or interferes with the exercise of any power conferred by this title,<sup>1</sup> he shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than ten years and may, at the discretion of the court, be fined not more than \$10,000.

**(c) Civil penalty**

A person violating this title,<sup>1</sup> or a regulation prescribed under this title,<sup>1</sup> shall be liable to the United States Government for a civil penalty of not more than \$25,000 for each violation. Each day of a continuing violation shall constitute a separate violation.

**(d) In rem liability**

Any vessel that is used in violation of this title,<sup>1</sup> or of any regulation issued under this title,<sup>1</sup> shall be liable in rem for any civil penalty assessed pursuant to subsection (c) of this section and may be proceeded against in the United States district court for any district in which such vessel may be found.

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.

**(e) Withholding of clearance**

**(1) In general**

If any owner, agent, master, officer, or person in charge of a vessel is liable for a penalty or fine under subsection (c) of this section, or if reasonable cause exists to believe that the owner, agent, master, officer, or person in charge may be subject to a penalty or fine under this section, the Secretary may, with respect to such vessel, refuse or revoke any clearance required by section 60105 of title 46.

**(2) Clearance upon filing of bond or other surety**

The Secretary may require the filing of a bond or other surety as a condition of granting clearance refused or revoked under this subsection.

(June 15, 1917, ch. 30, title II, § 2, 40 Stat. 220; Mar. 28, 1940, ch. 72, § 3(a), 54 Stat. 79; Nov. 15, 1941, ch. 471, § 3, 55 Stat. 763; Aug. 9, 1950, ch. 656, § 3, 64 Stat. 428; Pub. L. 107-295, title I, § 104(b), Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2085; Pub. L. 108-293, title VIII, § 802(b), Aug. 9, 2004, 118 Stat. 1079.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This title, referred to in subsecs. (a) to (d), means title II of act June 15, 1917, ch. 30, 40 Stat. 220, as amended, which enacted sections 191 and 192 to 194 of this title. For complete classification of title II to the Code, see Tables.

CODIFICATION

In subsec. (e)(1), “section 60105 of title 46” substituted for “section 4197 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (46 U.S.C. App. 91)” on authority of Pub. L. 109-304, § 18(c), Oct. 6, 2006, 120 Stat. 1709, which Act enacted section 60105 of Title 46, Shipping.

AMENDMENTS

2004—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 108-293, § 802(b)(1), substituted “title” for “Act” in two places.

Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 108-293, § 802(b)(2), added subsecs. (d) and (e).

2002—Pub. L. 107-295 inserted subsec. headings, designated first par. as subsec. (a), redesignated former subsec. (a) as (b), and added subsec. (c).

1950—Subsec. (a). Act Aug. 9, 1950, added subsec. (a).

1941—Act Nov. 15, 1941, struck out “by the Secretary of the Treasury or the Governor of the Panama Canal” before “under the provisions of this title”.

1940—Act Mar. 28, 1940, increased term of imprisonment.

TERMINATION DATE OF 1950 AMENDMENT

For termination of amendment by act Aug. 9, 1950, see section 4 of act Aug. 9, 1950, set out as a note under section 191 of this title.

**§ 193. Repealed. June 25, 1948, ch. 645, § 21, 62 Stat. 862**

Section, acts June 15, 1917, ch. 30, title II, § 3, 40 Stat. 220; Mar. 28, 1940, ch. 72, § 3(b), 54 Stat. 79, related to destruction of, injury to, or improper use of vessels. See section 2274 of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective Sept. 1, 1948, see section 38 of act June 25, 1948, set out as an Effective Date note preceding section 1 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

**§ 194. Enforcement provisions**

The President may employ such departments, agencies, officers, or instrumentalities of the