

mobile to the location at which it is delivered to such dealer; and

(4) the total of the amounts specified pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), and (3);

(g) if one or more safety ratings for such automobile have been assigned and formally published or released by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration under the New Car Assessment Program, information about safety ratings that—

(1) includes a graphic depiction of the number of stars, or other applicable rating, that corresponds to each such assigned safety rating displayed in a clearly differentiated fashion indicating the maximum possible safety rating;

(2) refers to safety rating categories that may include frontal impact crash tests, side impact crash tests, and rollover resistance tests (whether or not such automobile has been assigned a safety rating for such tests);

(3) contains information describing the nature and meaning of the crash test data presented and a reference to additional vehicle safety resources, including <http://www.safercar.gov>;<sup>1</sup> and

(4) is presented in a legible, visible, and prominent fashion and covers at least—

(A) 8 percent of the total area of the label; or

(B) an area with a minimum length of 4½ inches and a minimum height of 3½ inches; and

(h) if an automobile has not been tested by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration under the New Car Assessment Program, or safety ratings for such automobile have not been assigned in one or more rating categories, a statement to that effect.

(Pub. L. 85-506, §3, July 7, 1958, 72 Stat. 326; Pub. L. 109-59, title X, §10307(a), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1941; Pub. L. 112-141, div. C, title I, §31314, July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 772.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2012—Subsec. (g)(2). Pub. L. 112-141 inserted “safety rating categories that may include” after “refers to”.

2005—Subsec. (f)(3). Pub. L. 109-59, §10307(a)(2), inserted “and” at end.

Subsecs. (g), (h). Pub. L. 109-59, §10307(a)(1), (3), (4), added subsecs. (g) and (h).

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2012 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 112-141 effective Oct. 1, 2012, see section 3(a) of Pub. L. 112-141, set out as an Effective and Termination Dates of 2012 Amendment note under section 101 of Title 23, Highways.

#### REGULATIONS

Pub. L. 109-59, title X, §10307(b), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1942, provided that: “The Secretary of Transportation shall issue regulations to ensure that the labeling requirements under subsections (g) and (h) of section 3 of the Automobile Information Disclosure Act [15 U.S.C. 1232(g), (h)], as added by subsection (a), are implemented by September 1, 2007.”

#### § 1232a. Repealed. Pub. L. 92-178, title IV, § 401(g)(7)(A), Dec. 10, 1971, 85 Stat. 534

Section, Pub. L. 91-614, title III, §304, Dec. 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 1845, related to Federal manufacturers excise tax

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be “<http://www.safercar.gov>”.

on labels and provided for violations and penalties. It was not a part of the Automobile Information Disclosure Act, which comprises this chapter generally.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Pub. L. 92-178, title IV, §401(g)(7)(B), Dec. 10, 1971, 85 Stat. 534, provided that: “Subparagraph (A) [repealing this section] shall apply to acts (or failures to act) after the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 10, 1971].”

#### § 1233. Violations and penalties

##### (a) Failure to affix required label

Any manufacturer of automobiles distributed in commerce who willfully fails to affix to any new automobile manufactured or imported by him the label required by section 1232 of this title shall be fined not more than \$1,000. Such failure with respect to each automobile shall constitute a separate offense.

##### (b) Failure to endorse required label

Any manufacturer of automobiles distributed in commerce who willfully fails to endorse clearly, distinctly and legibly any label as required by section 1232 of this title, or who makes a false endorsement of any such label, shall be fined not more than \$1,000. Such failure or false endorsement with respect to each automobile shall constitute a separate offense.

##### (c) Removal, alteration, or illegibility of required label

Any person who willfully removes, alters, or renders illegible any label affixed to a new automobile pursuant to section 1232 of this title, or any endorsement thereon, prior to the time that such automobile is delivered to the actual custody and possession of the ultimate purchaser of such new automobile, except where the manufacturer relabels the automobile in the event the same is rerouted, repurchased, or reacquired by the manufacturer of such automobile, shall be fined not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both. Such removal, alteration, or rendering illegible with respect to each automobile shall constitute a separate offense.

(Pub. L. 85-506, §4, July 7, 1958, 72 Stat. 326.)

#### CHAPTER 29—MANUFACTURE, TRANSPORTATION, OR DISTRIBUTION OF SWITCHBLADE KNIVES

Sec. 1241. 1242.  1243. 1244. 1245.	Definitions. Introduction, manufacture for introduction, transportation or distribution in interstate commerce; penalty. Manufacture, sale, or possession within specific jurisdictions; penalty. Exceptions. Ballistic knives.
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#### § 1241. Definitions

As used in this chapter—

(a) The term “interstate commerce” means commerce between any State, Territory, possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia, and any place outside thereof.

(b) The term “switchblade knife” means any knife having a blade which opens automatically—