

under oath. The person taking the deposition shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a transcript of the testimony taken. The transcript shall be subscribed by the deponent.

(6) FOREIGN COUNTRY.—The testimony of a witness who is in a foreign country may be taken by deposition before an officer or person designated by the Secretary or agreed on by the parties by written stipulation filed with the Secretary. A deposition shall be filed with the Secretary promptly.

(e) WITNESS FEES.—Each witness summoned before the Secretary or whose deposition is taken under this section and the individual taking the deposition are entitled to the same fees and mileage paid for those services in the courts of the United States.

(f) POWERS OF BOARD.—For those provisions of this part that are specified to be carried out by the Board, the Board shall have the same powers as the Secretary has under this section.

(Added Pub. L. 104–88, title I, § 103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 856.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 10321 of this title prior to the general amendment of this subtitle by Pub. L. 104–88, § 102(a).

EFFECTIVE DATE

Chapter effective Jan. 1, 1996, except as otherwise provided in Pub. L. 104–88, see section 2 of Pub. L. 104–88, set out as a note under section 701 of this title.

§ 13302. Intervention

Under regulations of the Secretary, reasonable notice of, and an opportunity to intervene and participate in, a proceeding under this part related to transportation subject to jurisdiction under subchapter I of chapter 135 shall be given to interested persons.

(Added Pub. L. 104–88, title I, § 103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 858.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 10328 of this title prior to the general amendment of this subtitle by Pub. L. 104–88, § 102(a).

§ 13303. Service of notice in proceedings

(a) AGENTS FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS.—A carrier, a broker, or a freight forwarder providing transportation or service subject to jurisdiction under chapter 135 shall designate, in writing, an agent by name and post office address on whom service of notices in a proceeding before, and of actions of, the Secretary may be made.

(b) FILING WITH STATE.—A motor carrier providing transportation under this part shall also file the designation with the appropriate authority of each State in which it operates. The designation may be changed at any time in the same manner as originally made.

(c) NOTICE.—A notice to a motor carrier, freight forwarder, or broker shall be served personally or by mail on the motor carrier, freight forwarder, or broker or on its designated agent. Service by mail on the designated agent shall be made at the address filed for the agent. When notice is given by mail, the date of mailing is

considered to be the time when the notice is served. If a motor carrier, freight forwarder, or broker does not have a designated agent, service may be made by posting a copy of the notice at the headquarters of the Department of Transportation.

(Added Pub. L. 104–88, title I, § 103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 858.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 10329 of this title prior to the general amendment of this subtitle by Pub. L. 104–88, § 102(a).

§ 13304. Service of process in court proceedings

(a) DESIGNATION OF AGENT.—A motor carrier or broker providing transportation subject to jurisdiction under chapter 135, including a motor carrier or broker operating within the United States while providing transportation between places in a foreign country or between a place in one foreign country and a place in another foreign country, shall designate an agent in each State in which it operates by name and post office address on whom process issued by a court with subject matter jurisdiction may be served in an action brought against that carrier or broker. The designation shall be in writing and filed with the Department of Transportation and each State in which the carrier operates may require that an additional designation be filed with it. If a designation under this subsection is not made, service may be made on any agent of the carrier or broker within that State.

(b) CHANGE.—A designation under this section may be changed at any time in the same manner as originally made.

(Added Pub. L. 104–88, title I, § 103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 858.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 10330 of this title prior to the general amendment of this subtitle by Pub. L. 104–88, § 102(a).

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SUBCHAPTER I—MOTOR CARRIER
TRANSPORTATION

§ 13501. General jurisdiction

The Secretary and the Board have jurisdiction, as specified in this part, over transportation by motor carrier and the procurement of that transportation, to the extent that passengers, property, or both, are transported by motor carrier—

- (1) between a place in—
 - (A) a State and a place in another State;
 - (B) a State and another place in the same State through another State;
 - (C) the United States and a place in a territory or possession of the United States to the extent the transportation is in the United States;
 - (D) the United States and another place in the United States through a foreign country to the extent the transportation is in the United States; or
 - (E) the United States and a place in a foreign country to the extent the transportation is in the United States; and
- (2) in a reservation under the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States or on a public highway.

(Added Pub. L. 104-88, title I, §103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 859.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 10521 of this title prior to the general amendment of this subtitle by Pub. L. 104-88, §102(a).

EFFECTIVE DATE

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§ 13502. Exempt transportation between Alaska and other States

To the extent that transportation by a motor carrier between a place in Alaska and a place in another State under section 13501 is provided in a foreign country—

- (1) neither the Secretary nor the Board has jurisdiction to impose a requirement over conduct of the motor carrier in the foreign country conflicting with a requirement of that country; but
- (2) the motor carrier, as a condition of providing transportation in the United States, shall comply, with respect to all transportation provided between Alaska and the other State, with the requirements of this part related to rates and practices applicable to the transportation.

(Added Pub. L. 104-88, title I, §103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 859.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 10522 of this title prior to the general amendment of this subtitle by Pub. L. 104-88, §102(a).

§ 13503. Exempt motor vehicle transportation in terminal areas

(a) TRANSPORTATION BY CARRIERS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Neither the Secretary nor the Board has jurisdiction under this subchapter over transportation by motor vehicle provided in a terminal area when the transportation—

- (A) is a transfer, collection, or delivery;
- (B) is provided by—
 - (i) a rail carrier subject to jurisdiction under chapter 105;
 - (ii) a water carrier subject to jurisdiction under subchapter II of this chapter; or
 - (iii) a freight forwarder subject to jurisdiction under subchapter III of this chapter; and
- (C) is incidental to transportation or service provided by the carrier or freight forwarder that is subject to jurisdiction under chapter 105 of this title or under subchapter II or III of this chapter.

(2) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER PROVISIONS.—Transportation exempt from jurisdiction under paragraph (1) of this subsection is subject to jurisdiction under chapter 105 when provided by such a rail carrier, under subchapter II of this chapter when provided by such a water carrier, and under subchapter III of this chapter when provided by such a freight forwarder.

(b) TRANSPORTATION BY AGENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except to the extent provided by paragraph (2) of this subsection, neither the Secretary nor the Board has jurisdiction under this subchapter over transportation by motor vehicle provided in a terminal area when the transportation—

- (A) is a transfer, collection, or delivery; and
- (B) is provided by a person as an agent or under other arrangement for—
 - (i) a rail carrier subject to jurisdiction under chapter 105 of this title;
 - (ii) a motor carrier subject to jurisdiction under this subchapter;
 - (iii) a water carrier subject to jurisdiction under subchapter II of this chapter; or
 - (iv) a freight forwarder subject to jurisdiction under subchapter III of this chapter.

(2) TREATMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BY PRINCIPAL.—Transportation exempt from jurisdiction under paragraph (1) of this subsection is considered transportation provided by the carrier or service provided by the freight forwarder for whom the transportation was provided and is subject to jurisdiction under chapter 105 of this title when provided for such a rail carrier, under this subchapter when provided for such a motor carrier, under subchapter II of this chapter when provided for such a water carrier, and under subchapter III of this chapter when provided for such a freight forwarder.

(Added Pub. L. 104-88, title I, §103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 860.)