regulation provided under this part for carriers or brokers is liable to the United States for a civil penalty of at least \$2,000 for the first violation and at least \$5,000 for a subsequent violation, and may be subject to criminal penalties.

(Added Pub. L. 104-88, title I, §103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 916; amended Pub. L. 112-141, div. C, title II, §32505(b), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 804.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 11906 of this title prior to the general amendment of this subtitle by Pub. L. 104-88, §102(a).

#### AMENDMENTS

2012—Pub. L. 112-141 substituted "at least \$2,000" for "\$200" and "\$5,000" for "\$250" and inserted ", and may be subject to criminal penalties" after "a subsequent violation".

### 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.

## § 14907. Recordkeeping and reporting violations

A person required to make a report to the Secretary or the Board, as applicable, answer a question, or make, prepare, or preserve a record under this part about transportation subject to jurisdiction under subchapter I or III of chapter 135, or an officer, agent, or employee of that person, that—

- (1) does not make that report;
- (2) does not specifically, completely, and truthfully answer that question in 30 days from the date the Secretary or Board, as applicable, requires the question to be answered;
- (3) does not make, prepare, or preserve that record in the form and manner prescribed;
- (4) falsifies, destroys, mutilates, or changes that report or record;
  - (5) files a false report or record;
- (6) makes a false or incomplete entry in that record about a business related fact or transaction; or
- (7) makes, prepares, or preserves a record in violation of an applicable regulation or order of the Secretary or Board;

is liable to the United States for a civil penalty of not more than \$5,000.

(Added Pub. L. 104–88, title I, §103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 916.)

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 11909 of this title prior to the general amendment of this subtitle by Pub. L. 104-88, §102(a).

## § 14908. Unlawful disclosure of information

- (a) DISCLOSURE OF SHIPMENT AND ROUTING INFORMATION.—
  - (1) VIOLATIONS.—A carrier or broker providing transportation subject to jurisdiction under subchapter I, II, or III of chapter 135 or an officer, receiver, trustee, lessee, or employee of that carrier or broker, or another person authorized by that carrier or broker to receive information from that carrier or broker may not disclose to another person, ex-

cept the shipper or consignee, and a person may not solicit, or receive, information about the nature, kind, quantity, destination, consignee, or routing of property tendered or delivered to that carrier or broker for transportation provided under this part without the consent of the shipper or consignee if that information may be used to the detriment of the shipper or consignee or may disclose improperly to a competitor the business transactions of the shipper or consignee.

- (2) PENALTY.—A person violating paragraph (1) of this subsection is liable to the United States for a civil penalty of not more than \$2,000.
- (b) LIMITATION ON STATUTORY CONSTRUCTION.— This part does not prevent a carrier or broker providing transportation subject to jurisdiction under chapter 135 from giving information—
  - (1) in response to legal process issued under authority of a court of the United States or a State:
  - (2) to an officer, employee, or agent of the United States Government, a State, or a territory or possession of the United States; or
  - (3) to another carrier or its agent to adjust mutual traffic accounts in the ordinary course of business.

(Added Pub. L. 104-88, title I, §103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 917.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 11910 of this title prior to the general amendment of this subtitle by Pub. L. 104–88, §102(a).

## § 14909. Disobedience to subpoenas

Whoever does not obey a subpoena or requirement of the Secretary or the Board to appear and testify or produce records shall be fined under title 18 or imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both.

(Added Pub. L. 104-88, title I, §103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 917.)

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 11913 of this title prior to the general amendment of this subtitle by Pub. L. 104-88,  $\S102(a)$ .

# § 14910. General civil penalty when specific penalty not provided

When another civil penalty is not provided under this chapter, a person that violates a provision of this part or a regulation or order prescribed under this part, or a condition of a registration under this part related to transportation that is subject to jurisdiction under subchapter I or III of chapter 135 or a condition of a registration of a foreign motor carrier or foreign motor private carrier under section 13902, is liable to the United States for a civil penalty of \$500 for each violation. A separate violation occurs each day the violation continues.

(Added Pub. L. 104-88, title I, §103, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 917.)

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 11914 of this title prior to the general amendment of this subtitle by Pub. L. 104-88, §102(a).