

under section 171 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1982 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 97-164 effective Oct. 1, 1982, see section 402 of Pub. L. 97-164, set out as a note under section 171 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

For effective date of amendment by Pub. L. 95-302, see section 2 of Pub. L. 95-302, set out as a note under section 1487 of this title.

TERMINATION OF TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

For termination of Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, see note set out preceding section 1681 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

**§ 1480. Notification by Secretary of State**

The Secretary of State shall notify without delay foreign states concerned, the Secretary-General of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization, and persons affected by measures taken under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 93-248, § 11, Feb. 5, 1974, 88 Stat. 10.)

**§ 1481. Violations; penalties**

(a) A person commits a class A misdemeanor if that person—

- (1) willfully violates a provision of this chapter or a regulation issued thereunder; or
- (2) willfully refuses or fails to comply with any lawful order or direction given pursuant to this chapter; or
- (3) willfully obstructs any person who is acting in compliance with an order or direction under this chapter.

(b) In a criminal proceeding for an offense under paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of this section it shall be a defense for the accused to prove that he used all due diligence to comply with any order or direction that he had reasonable cause to believe that compliance would have resulted in serious risk to human life.

(Pub. L. 93-248, § 12, Feb. 5, 1974, 88 Stat. 10; Pub. L. 101-380, title IV, § 4302(l), Aug. 18, 1990, 104 Stat. 539.)

AMENDMENTS

1990—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 101-380 substituted “A person commits a class A misdemeanor if that person” for “Any person who” in introductory provisions and struck out “, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both” after “under this chapter” in par. (3).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101-380 applicable to incidents occurring after Aug. 18, 1990, see section 1020 of Pub. L. 101-380, set out as an Effective Date note under section 2701 of this title.

**§ 1482. Consultation for nomination and nomination of experts, negotiators, etc.; proposal of amendments to list of substances other than convention oil; Presidential acceptance of amendments**

**(a) Nomination of experts and proposal of amendments to list of substances**

The Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Administrator of the En-

vironmental Protection Agency, may nominate individuals to the list of experts provided for in article III of the convention and article II of the protocol and may propose amendments to the list of substances other than convention oil in accordance with article III of the protocol.

**(b) Consultations for designation or nomination of negotiators, etc., provided for by convention and protocol**

The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary, shall designate or nominate, as appropriate and necessary, the negotiators, conciliators, or arbitrators provided for by the convention and the protocol.

**(c) Presidential acceptance of amendments to list of substances other than convention oil in accordance with protocol**

The President may accept amendments to the list of substances other than convention oil in accordance with article III of the protocol.

(Pub. L. 93-248, § 13, Feb. 5, 1974, 88 Stat. 10; Pub. L. 95-302, § 1(5), June 26, 1978, 92 Stat. 345.)

AMENDMENTS

1978—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 95-302, § 1(5)(A), inserted provisions relating to applicability of article II of the protocol and provisions for proposal of amendments to the list of substances other than convention oil.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 95-302, § 1(5)(B), substituted “protocol” for “annexes thereto”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 95-302, § 1(5)(C), added subsec. (c).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

For effective date of amendment by Pub. L. 95-302, see section 2 of Pub. L. 95-302, set out as a note under section 1487 of this title.

**§ 1483. Foreign government ships; immunity**

No measures may be taken under authority of this chapter against any warship or other ship owned or operated by a country and used, for the time being, only on Government noncommercial service.

(Pub. L. 93-248, § 14, Feb. 5, 1974, 88 Stat. 10.)

**§ 1484. Interpretation and administration; other right, duty, privilege, or immunity and other remedy unaffected**

This chapter shall be interpreted and administered in a manner consistent with the convention, the protocol, and other international law. Except as specifically provided, nothing in this chapter may be interpreted to prejudice any otherwise applicable right, duty, privilege, or immunity or deprive any country or person of any remedy otherwise applicable.

(Pub. L. 93-248, § 15, Feb. 5, 1974, 88 Stat. 10; Pub. L. 95-302, § 1(6), June 26, 1978, 92 Stat. 345.)

AMENDMENTS

1978—Pub. L. 95-302 inserted “, the protocol,” after “convention”.

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**§ 1485. Rules and regulations**

The Secretary may issue reasonable rules and regulations which he considers appropriate and