

closed without significantly impairing the discharge of authorities and responsibilities which have been delegated to, or vested by law, in such agency.

(Added Pub. L. 112–141, div. E, title II, § 52011(a), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 892; amended Pub. L. 114–94, div. A, title VI, § 6018(b), Dec. 4, 2015, 129 Stat. 1577.)

AMENDMENTS

2015—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 114–94 inserted “or section 6314(b)” after “section 6302(b)(3)(B)” wherever appearing.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2015 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 114–94 effective Oct. 1, 2015, see section 1003 of Pub. L. 114–94, set out as a note under section 5313 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 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.

§ 6308. Proceeds of data product sales

Notwithstanding section 3302 of title 31, amounts received by the Bureau from the sale of data products for necessary expenses incurred may be credited to the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account) for the purpose of reimbursing the Bureau for those expenses.

(Added Pub. L. 112–141, div. E, title II, § 52011(a), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 893.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 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.

§ 6309. National transportation atlas database

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall develop and maintain a national transportation atlas database that is comprised of geospatial databases that depict—

- (1) transportation networks;
- (2) flows of people, goods, vehicles, and craft over the transportation networks; and
- (3) social, economic, and environmental conditions that affect or are affected by the transportation networks.

(b) INTERMODAL NETWORK ANALYSIS.—The databases referred to in subsection (a) shall be capable of supporting intermodal network analysis.

(Added Pub. L. 112–141, div. E, title II, § 52011(a), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 894.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 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.

§ 6310. Limitations on statutory construction

Nothing in this chapter—

- (1) authorizes the Bureau to require any other Federal agency to collect data; or

(2) alters or diminishes the authority of any other officer of the Department to collect and disseminate data independently.

(Added Pub. L. 112–141, div. E, title II, § 52011(a), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 894.)

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Section 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.

§ 6311. Research and development grants

The Secretary may make grants to, or enter into cooperative agreements or contracts with, public and nonprofit private entities (including State transportation departments, metropolitan planning organizations, and institutions of higher education) for—

- (1) investigation of the subjects described in section 6302(b)(3)(B)(vi);
- (2) research and development of new methods of data collection, standardization, management, integration, dissemination, interpretation, and analysis;
- (3) demonstration programs by States, local governments, and metropolitan planning organizations to coordinate data collection, reporting, management, storage, and archiving to simplify data comparisons across jurisdictions;
- (4) development of electronic clearinghouses of transportation data and related information, as part of the Library; and
- (5) development and improvement of methods for sharing geographic data, in support of the database under section 6310¹ and the National Spatial Data Infrastructure developed under Executive Order 12906 (59 Fed. Reg. 17671) (or a successor Executive Order).

(Added Pub. L. 112–141, div. E, title II, § 52011(a), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 894.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Executive Order 12906, referred to in par. (5), is Ex. Ord. No. 12906, Apr. 11, 1994, 59 F.R. 17671, which is set out as a note under section 1457 of Title 43, Public Lands.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 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.

§ 6312. Transportation statistics annual report

The Director shall submit to the President and Congress a transportation statistics annual report, which shall include—

- (1) information on the progress of the Director in carrying out the duties described in section 6302(b)(3)(B);
- (2) documentation of the methods used to obtain and ensure the quality of the statistics presented in the report; and
- (3) any recommendations of the Director for improving transportation statistical information.

(Added Pub. L. 112–141, div. E, title II, § 52011(a), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 894.)

¹ So in original. Probably should be “section 6309”.