(Pub. L. 109–304, §8(c), Oct. 6, 2006, 120 Stat. 1649.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
55332	46 App.:1241r.	Pub. L. 101–624, title XV, §1522, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3665.

In subsection (a), the words "for purposes of sections 1241q to 1241v of this Appendix" are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (c), before paragraph (1), the words "construction and purchase" before "agreement" are omitted because the source provision for subsection (b) does not say anything about construction.

In subsection (d), the words "Not later than 60 days after November 28, 1990" are omitted as obsolete.

# $\S$ 55333. Exemption from restriction on transporting certain cargo

The 3-year documentation requirement of section 55305(a) of this title does not apply to a vessel designated as an American Great Lakes vessel during the period of its designation.

(Pub. L. 109-304, §8(c), Oct. 6, 2006, 120 Stat. 1649.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
55333	46 App.:1241q.	Pub. L. 101-624, title XV, §1521, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3665.

This section is substituted for the source provisions to eliminate unnecessary words.

### § 55334. Restrictions on operations

- (a) Prohibitions.—Except as provided in subsection (b), an American Great Lakes vessel may not be used to—
  - (1) engage in trade—
  - (A) from a port in the United States that is not located on the Great Lakes; or
    - (B) between ports in the United States;
  - (2) transport bulk cargo (as defined in section 40102 of this title) that is subject to section 55305 or 55314 of this title or section 2631 of title 10; or
  - (3) provide a service (except ocean freight service) as—
    - (A) a contract carrier; or
    - (B) a common carrier on a fixed advertised schedule offering frequent sailings at regular intervals in the foreign trade of the United States.
- (b) OFF-SEASON EXCEPTION.—An American Great Lakes vessel may be used for not more than 90 days during any 12-month period to engage in trade prohibited by subsection (a)(1)(A), except during the Great Lakes shipping season. (Pub. L. 109–304, §8(c), Oct. 6, 2006, 120 Stat. 1649.)

### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
55334	46 App.:1241s.	Pub. L. 101–624, title XV, §1523, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3666.

## §55335. Revocations and terminations of designations

- (a) REVOCATIONS.—After notice and an opportunity for a hearing, the Secretary of Transportation may revoke a designation of a vessel as an American Great Lakes vessel if the Secretary finds that—
  - (1) the vessel does not meet a requirement for the designation;
  - (2) the vessel has been operated in violation of this subchapter; or
  - (3) the owner or operator of the vessel has violated an agreement made under section 55332(b) of this title.
- (b) TERMINATIONS.—On petition and a showing of good cause by the owner of a vessel, the Secretary may terminate the designation of a vessel as an American Great Lakes vessel. The Secretary may impose conditions in a termination order to prevent significant adverse effects on other operators of vessels of the United States. (Pub. L. 109–304, §8(c), Oct. 6, 2006, 120 Stat. 1650.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
55335	46 App.:1241t(a), (c).	Pub. L. 101–624, title XV §1524(a), (c), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3667.

In subsection (a)(3), the words "construction and purchase" before "agreement" are omitted because the source provision for section 55332(b) of the revised title does not say anything about construction.

In subsection (b), the words "vessels of the United States" are substituted for "United States-flag vessel" for consistency in the revised title.

#### § 55336. Civil penalty

After notice and an opportunity for a hearing, the Secretary of Transportation may impose a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000,000 on the owner of an American Great Lakes vessel for any act for which the designation may be revoked under section 55335 of this title.

(Pub. L. 109-304, §8(c), Oct. 6, 2006, 120 Stat. 1650.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
55336	46 App.:1241t(b).	Pub. L. 101-624, title XV, §1524(b), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3667.

## **CHAPTER 555—MISCELLANEOUS**

Sec. 55501.

United States Committee on the Marine Transportation System.

## AMENDMENTS

2014—Pub. L. 113–281, title III, §301(3), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3042, added item 55501 and struck out former items 55501 "Mobile trade fairs" and 55502 "United States Committee on the Marine Transportation System".

2012—Pub. L. 112–213, title III, §310(b), Dec. 20, 2012, 126 Stat. 1568, added item 55502.

## § 55501. United States Committee on the Marine Transportation System

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a United States Committee on the Marine Trans-