

its operating administrations, whether or not they are recipients of funds from the Department or its operating administrations.

(Added and amended Pub. L. 108-168, § 8(a), (b)(1), Dec. 6, 2003, 117 Stat. 2034.)

CODIFICATION

The text of section 228 of Pub. L. 106-159, formerly set out as a note under section 4 of the Inspector General Act of 1978, Pub. L. 95-452, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, which was transferred to this section, redesignated as text of section, and amended by Pub. L. 108-168, § 8(a), (b)(1), was based on Pub. L. 106-159, title II, § 228, Dec. 9, 1999, 113 Stat. 1773.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Pub. L. 108-168 renumbered section 228 of Pub. L. 106-159 as this section and substituted “Investigative authority of Inspector General” for “DOT Authority” in section catchline. See Codification note above.

DEPOSIT OF FORFEITED FUNDS

Pub. L. 113-235, div. K, title I, Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2724, provided in part: “That hereafter funds transferred to the Office of the Inspector General through forfeiture proceedings or from the Department of Justice Assets Forfeiture Fund or the Department of the Treasury Forfeiture Fund, as a participating agency, as an equitable share from the forfeiture of property in investigations in which the Office of Inspector General participates, or through the granting of a Petition for Remission or Mitigation, shall be deposited to the credit of this account [Office of Inspector General, Salaries and Expenses] for law enforcement activities authorized under the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended [5 U.S.C. App.], to remain available until expended.”

Similar provisions were contained in the following prior appropriation act:

Pub. L. 113-76, div. L, title I, Jan. 17, 2014, 128 Stat. 600.

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1998—Pub. L. 105-178, title IV, § 4014(a)(2), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 411, added item 508.

1997—Pub. L. 105-102, § 2(1), Nov. 20, 1997, 111 Stat. 2204, struck out “DUTIES AND” before “POWERS” in item for heading of subchapter I.

¹Section catchline amended by Pub. L. 112-141 without corresponding amendment of chapter analysis.

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AMENDMENTS

1997—Pub. L. 105-102, § 2(2), Nov. 20, 1997, 111 Stat. 2204, struck out “AND” before “POWERS”.

1995—Pub. L. 104-88, title III, § 308(c)(1), Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 947, struck out “DUTIES” before “AND”.

§ 501. Definitions and application

(a) In this chapter—

(1) the definitions in sections 10102 and 13102 of this title apply.

(2) “migrant worker” has the same meaning given that term in section 31501 of this title.

(3) “motor carrier of migrant workers” means a motor carrier of migrant workers subject to the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Transportation under section 31502(c) of this title.

(b) APPLICATION.—This chapter only applies in carrying out sections 20302(a)(1)(B) and (C), (2), and (3), (c), and (d)(1) and 20303 and chapters 205 (except section 20504(b)), 211, 213 (in carrying out those sections and chapters), and 315 of this title.

(Pub. L. 97-449, § 1(b), Jan. 12, 1983, 96 Stat. 2431; Pub. L. 98-216, § 2(2), Feb. 14, 1984, 98 Stat. 5; Pub. L. 102-548, § 2(c), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3648; Pub. L. 103-272, §§ 4(j)(1)(A), 5(m)(9), July 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 1368, 1376; Pub. L. 104-88, title III, § 308(c)(2), Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 947.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

PUB. L. 97-449

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
501(a)	(no source).	
501(b)	45:15.	Apr. 14, 1910, ch. 160, § 6, 36 Stat. 299.
	49:26(g).	Feb. 4, 1887, ch. 104, 24 Stat. 379, § 25(g); added Aug. 26, 1937, ch. 818, 50 Stat. 837; Sept. 18, 1940, ch. 722, § 14(b), 54 Stat. 919.
	49:1655(f)(2).	Oct. 15, 1966, Pub. L. 89-670, § 6(f)(2), 80 Stat. 940.

In the chapter, the source provisions are those in effect on March 31, 1967, the day before the effective date of the Department of Transportation Act (Pub. L. 89-670, 80 Stat. 931), because 49:1655(f)(2) gave the Secretary of Transportation the same powers enumerated in 49:1655(f)(2) that the Interstate Commerce Commission had before certain duties and powers under 49:1655(e) were transferred on April 1, 1967, from the Commission to the Secretary. All references to brokers in the source provisions are omitted as not being applicable to the duties and powers transferred to the Secretary of Transportation.

Subsection (a) is included to ensure that the identical definitions that are relevant are used without repeating them. The source provisions for the definitions are found in the revision notes for sections 3101, 3102(c), and 10102 of the revised title.

In subsection (b), the provisions of law to which the chapter applies are only certain laws listed in 49:1655(e). Those laws include the source provisions restated in chapter 31 of the revised title and 45:4, 5, 6 (in carrying out 45:4 and 5), 11, 12, 13 (proviso), 13 (less proviso in carrying out 45:11, 12, and 13 (proviso)), and 61-64b, and 49:26(a)-(f) (words before last semicolon) and (h). The administrative powers of the Secretary under the chapter are based on the administrative powers of 49:1655(f)(2). That provision lists administrative powers the Commission had under the Interstate Commerce Act (ch. 104, 24 Stat. 379) to carry out the Act, and cer-