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AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §807(e)(4), (f)(1), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1838, redesignated chapter 633 of this title as this chapter and items 7291 to 7294, 7297, 7299 to 7301, and 7303 to 7321 as 8661 to 8664, 8667, 8669 to 8671, and 8673 to 8691, respectively.

Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title III, §323(a)(2), title X, §§1015(b)(2), 1016(b), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1720, 1949, 1951, added items 7320 and 7321 and struck out item 7295 “Vessels: under-age”.

Pub. L. 115-91, div. C, title XXXI, §3115(b)(2), Dec. 12, 2017, 131 Stat. 1887, added item 7319.

2016—Pub. L. 114-328, div. A, title X, §1022(a)(2), (b), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2388, added item 7318, effective on the later of the date of enactment of the National Defense Authorization for Fiscal Year 2018 or Sept. 30, 2017.

Pub. L. 114-328, div. A, title I, §121(a)(2), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2030, added item 7301.

2013—Pub. L. 113-66, div. A, title X, §1022(e)(2), Dec. 26, 2013, 127 Stat. 846, substituted “Vessels stricken from Naval Vessel Register; captured vessels: conveyance by donation” for “Vessels stricken from Naval Vessel Register; captured vessels: transfer by gift or otherwise” in item 7306.

2011—Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title X, §1061(27)(B), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1584, struck out item 7296 “Combatant surface vessels: notice before reduction in number; preservation of surge capability”.

Pub. L. 111-350, §5(b)(51), Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3846, substituted “chapter 65 of title 41” for “Walsh-Healey Act” in item 7299.

2009—Pub. L. 111-84, div. A, title X, §1073(a)(30), Oct. 28, 2009, 123 Stat. 2474, inserted period after “thereof” in item 7317.

2008—Pub. L. 110-417, [div. A], title VIII, §825(b), Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4534, added item 7317.

2004—Pub. L. 108-375, div. A, title X, §§1011(b), 1012(a)(2), Oct. 28, 2004, 118 Stat. 2039, 2040, added items 7305a and 7312.

2003—Pub. L. 108-136, div. A, title X, §§1013(b), 1015(b), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1591, 1592, added items 7306b and 7316.

2002—Pub. L. 107-314, div. A, title X, §1021(b)(2), Dec. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2639, added item 7296.

1999—Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title X, §1016(b), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 744, added item 7300.

1997—Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title X, §1027(a)(2), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1879, added item 7315.

1996—Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title VIII, §815(b), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 396, added item 7299.

1994—Pub. L. 103-355, title II, §2001(j)(3)(A), title III, §§3023(b), 3024(b), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3303, 3333, 3334, struck out items 7299 “Contracts: application of Public Contracts Act”, 7302 “Construction on Pacific Coast”, and 7312 “Repair or maintenance of naval vessels: progress payments under certain contracts”.

1993—Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title VIII, §828(a)(7), (c)(7), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1713, 1714, struck out items 7296 “Appropriations: available for other purposes”, 7298 “Conversion of combatants and auxiliaries”, and 7301 “Bids on construction: estimates required”, substituted “Examination of vessels; striking of vessels” for “Examination by board: unfit vessel stricken” in item 7304, “Vessels stricken from Naval Vessel Register: sale” for “Sale of vessel stricken from Naval Vessel Register” in item 7305, and “Vessels stricken from Naval Vessel Register; captured vessels: transfer by gift or otherwise” for “Use for experimental purposes” in item 7306, added item 7306a, substituted “Disposals to foreign nations” for “Restriction on disposal” in item 7307, “Chief of Naval Operations: certification required for disposal of combatant vessels” for “Transfer or gift of obsolete, condemned, or captured vessels” in item 7308, “Construction of vessels in foreign shipyards: prohibition” for “Restrictions on construction or repair of vessels in foreign shipyards” in item 7309, and “Overhaul, repair, etc. of vessels in foreign shipyards: restrictions” for “Policy in constructing combatant vessels” in item 7310.

1989—Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title XVI, §1622(a), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1604, redesignated item 7313 “Overhaul of naval vessels: competition between public and private shipyards” as 7314.

1988—Pub. L. 100-456, div. A, title XII, §§1224(b)(2), 1225(a)(2), Sept. 29, 1988, 102 Stat. 2054, 2055, substituted “Restrictions on construction or repair” for “Restriction on construction” in item 7309 and added item 7313 “Overhaul of naval vessels: competition between public and private shipyards”.

Pub. L. 100-370, §1(n)(2), July 19, 1988, 102 Stat. 850, added item 7313 “Ship overhaul work: availability of appropriations for unusual cost overruns and for changes in scope of work”.

1987—Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title XI, §1102(a)(2), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1145, added item 7312.

1986—Pub. L. 99-661, div. A, title XII, §1202(b), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3968, added item 7311.

1985—Pub. L. 99-145, title XIII, § 1303(a)(24)(B), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 740, struck out “naval” before “vessels” in item 7309.

1982—Pub. L. 97-295, § 1(48)(B), Oct. 12, 1982, 96 Stat. 1298, added item 7299a.

Pub. L. 97-295, § 1(49)(B), Oct. 12, 1982, 96 Stat. 1299, added item 7310.

Pub. L. 97-252, title XI, § 1127(b), Sept. 8, 1982, 96 Stat. 759, added item 7309.

1981—Pub. L. 97-86, title IX, § 911(b)(2), Dec. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 1122, struck out item 7300 “Contracts for construction: profit limitation”.

§ 8661. Classification

The President may establish, and from time to time modify, as the needs of the service require, a classification of naval vessels.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 448, § 7291; renumbered § 8661, Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, § 807(d)(2), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1836.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
7291	34 U.S.C. 451 (as applicable to classification of vessels).	Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 852 (last par. as applicable to classification of vessels), 31 Stat. 1133.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232 renumbered section 7291 of this title as this section.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES ON MINIMUM NUMBER OF BATTLE FORCE SHIPS

Pub. L. 115-91, div. A, title X, § 1025, Dec. 12, 2017, 131 Stat. 1549, provided that:

“(a) **POLICY.**—It shall be the policy of the United States to have available, as soon as practicable, not fewer than 355 battle force ships, comprised of the optimal mix of platforms, with funding subject to the availability of appropriations or other funds.

“(b) **BATTLE FORCE SHIPS DEFINED.**—In this section, the term ‘battle force ship’ has the meaning given the term in Secretary of the Navy Instruction 5030.8C.”

METERING OF NAVY PIERS TO ACCURATELY MEASURE ENERGY CONSUMPTION

Pub. L. 112-81, div. B, title XXVIII, § 2828, Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1694, provided that:

“(a) **METERING REQUIRED.**—The Secretary of the Navy shall meter Navy piers so that the energy consumption of naval vessels while in port can be accurately measured and captured and steps taken to improve the efficient use of energy by naval vessels while in port.

“(b) **PROGRESS REPORTS.**—In each of the Department of Defense energy management reports submitted to Congress during fiscal years 2012 through 2017 under section 2925(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Secretary of the Navy shall include information on the progress being made to implement the metering of Navy piers, including information on any reductions in energy consumption achieved through the use of such metering.”

ADVANCE PROCUREMENT FUNDING

Pub. L. 111-84, div. A, title I, § 124(a), Oct. 28, 2009, 123 Stat. 2214, provided that:

“(a) **ADVANCE PROCUREMENT.**—With respect to a naval vessel for which amounts are authorized to be appro-

priated or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2010 or any fiscal year thereafter for advance procurement in shipbuilding and conversion, Navy, the Secretary of the Navy may enter into a contract, in advance of a contract for construction of any vessel, for any of the following:

“(1) Components, parts, or materiel.

“(2) Production planning and other related support services that reduce the overall procurement lead time of such vessel.”

ASSESSMENTS REQUIRED PRIOR TO START OF CONSTRUCTION ON FIRST SHIP OF A SHIPBUILDING PROGRAM

Pub. L. 110-181, div. A, title I, § 124, Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 28, provided that:

“(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Concurrent with approving the start of construction of the first ship for any major shipbuilding program, the Secretary of the Navy shall—

“(1) submit a report to the congressional defense committees [Committees on Armed Services and Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives] on the results of any production readiness review; and

“(2) certify to the congressional defense committees that the findings of any such review support commencement of construction.

“(b) **REPORT.**—The report required by subsection (a)(1) shall include, at a minimum, an assessment of each of the following:

“(1) The maturity of the ship’s design, as measured by stability of the ship contract specifications and the degree of completion of detail design and production design drawings.

“(2) The maturity of developmental command and control systems, weapon and sensor systems, and hull, mechanical and electrical systems.

“(3) The readiness of the shipyard facilities and workforce to begin construction.

“(4) The Navy’s estimated cost at completion and the adequacy of the budget to support the estimate.

“(5) The Navy’s estimated delivery date and description of any variance to the contract delivery date.

“(6) The extent to which adequate processes and metrics are in place to measure and manage program risks.

“(c) **APPLICABILITY.**—This section applies to each major shipbuilding program beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act [Jan. 28, 2008].

“(d) **DEFINITIONS.**—For the purposes of subsection (a):

“(1) **START OF CONSTRUCTION.**—The term ‘start of construction’ means the beginning of fabrication of the hull and superstructure of the ship.

“(2) **FIRST SHIP.**—The term ‘first ship’ applies to a ship if—

“(A) the ship is the first ship to be constructed under that shipbuilding program; or

“(B) the shipyard at which the ship is to be constructed has not previously started construction on a ship under that shipbuilding program.

“(3) **MAJOR SHIPBUILDING PROGRAM.**—The term ‘major shipbuilding program’ means a program for the construction of combatant and support vessels required for the naval vessel force, as reported within the annual naval vessel construction plan required by section 231 of title 10, United States Code.

“(4) **PRODUCTION READINESS REVIEW.**—The term ‘production readiness review’ means a formal examination of a program prior to the start of construction to determine if the design is ready for production, production engineering problems have been resolved, and the producer has accomplished adequate planning for the production phase.”

FAST SEALIFT PROGRAM

Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XIV, § 1424, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1683, as amended by Pub. L. 102-190, div. A, title X, § 1015, Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1458; Pub. L. 102-484,